

NORTH NEW HOPE SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS: Sunday School at 9:30am before worship. Preschool through 6th grade.

Noisy Offering last Sunday of every month. Please be generous, this funds our Sunday School.

FAITH LUTHERAN SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS: Faith Sunday School is held during worship, inform ushers your child is attending & Josh/Chelsea will lead them to the Fireside room for lessons, crafts, treats, & fun!

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY: Online Bible Study Wednesday's 3:30pm

GREETING CARDS AT FAITH: Greeting cards at Faith-Free Will donation

COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS MONTHLY AT BOTH CHURCHES:

FAITH: 1st Sunday during coffee hour. **N NEW HOPE:** 2nd Sunday before worship at 10:00am

WELCA "HELP FOR THE HOMELESS HYGIENE DRIVE" February 22th thru March 15th. Donate hygiene and cleaning supplies. Donation box in Narthex. List of items needed in poster on bulletin board.

MIDWEEK LENTEN GATHERING AT FAITH: Wednesdays during lent an informal gathering 5:30pm at Faith for prayer, reflection, and song with Pastor Joyce. This year's overarching theme is: "Walking as Children of the Light." First midweek reflection will be February 25th -Reflection will be: We Stand Strong in Tests of Our Faith (Matthew 4:1-11)

ALTAR FLOWERS DURING LENT: The altar will be simplified by using just greenery during Lent. Flowers for special occasions are still welcomed. Please remember to notify the office so flowers can be in the announcements.

M.O.M. JAR FOR PORTAGE COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY: The Ministry of the Month(s) for February and March will go to the Portage County Humane Society. The jar is for monetary donations and you can also give items from the Humane Society's wish list **please note** the Humane Society only accepts certain brands of pet food. See wish list on bulletin board for brands and needed items. Starting a pictorial of our pet(s). Bring pictures to Lori, or drop off at the church office, or email pictures to the church office. Stay for Coffee Hour. Free Will Donations from coffee hour will also go to Portage Cty Humane Society!

ROSHOLT PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED: Soup, Rice, Cereal, Crackers, and brown paper bags with handles. Donation baskets in Narthex at Faith. **URGENT NEED FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:** Baked Beans, Hearty Canned Soups, Peanut Butter, Mac N Cheese, Pancake Mix, Cereal, Juice, Frozen Meat, Potatoes, Canned Fruit, Ravioli, Jelly, Rice Pudding/Jello. If you're able to help, donations can be dropped off at: Rosholt Post Office-Rosholt Library-Tracy's Family Haircare-Or during pantry open hours (1st & 3rd Mondays, 3:00-5:00 pm) Rosholt Food Pantry is open on the 1st & 3rd Mondays 3-5pm. If you have a need or know of any families in need, Please reach out to Dawn Cherek 715-570-3045.

FREE TAX HELP: AARP Tax Assistance Program with Retired & Senior Volunteer Program Portage Cty residents can check eligibility and/or schedule appointments, see poster on bulletin board.

AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF PORTAGE COUNTY: ADRC Nutrition Program for seniors aged 60 and older. Rosholt ADRC dining site Nelson/Kaminski American Legion Hall. Meals are served on 2nd & 4th Thursdays every month. Noon lunch. Suggested donation of \$5. **RSVP Lisa, 715-347-4856.**

ST ADALBERT FRIDAY FISH FRIES: Feb 27 March 6, 13, 20 & 27 Serving 4pm to 7:30pm Fried or Baked Fish, Fried Shrimp or Combo. Meal-\$15 Small meal(child or Senior)-\$12 Meals include coleslaw, bread, & dessert-choice of French Fries, Baked potato or Potato Salad. Dine In or Take Out 715-677-4518 Handicapped accessible.

Also: Large Raffle, Weekly Basket Raffles, 50/50 Raffle, Candy Bars, Cemetery Memorials, Cash Bar, & Pull Tabs.

ST LADISLAU PARISH LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS: Wednesdays Feb 25, March 4-11-18-25. Serving 5:30pm - 6:30pm Gather and enjoy a meal of soup, sandwiches, salads, and dessert with family and friends. Open to the public. Weekly prize drawing. 173141 state Hwy 153, Hatley

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR (CNOY)-STEVENS POINT FEBRUARY 28, 2026: CNOY is a family friendly winter walk to raise awareness & support for the homeless people in our community. See poster on bulletin board.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION: Tuesday March 3rd 7pm at Fletcher Hall-St Paul's United Methodist Church 600 Wilshire Blvd, Stevens Point. Join us to learn how Partnering Together can strengthen our community.

PASTOR HEINTZ OFFICE HOURS: Pastor Joyce will usually be in the office on Wednesdays during office hours.

DEADLINE APRIL NEWSLETTER MARCH 19, 2026 at 2 pm

DEADLINE BULLETINS - WEDNESDAYS 2 pm

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Prayers for Healing

*Please remember those who are ill or otherwise
in need of prayer, especially:*

FAITH

John, Alice, Jackie, Dawn & Paul, Betsy & Al, Quinton,
Todd, Al, Ceil, Gerald, Betsie, and Jim.

NORTH NEW HOPE:

Alyce, Berniece, Lenore, and Cyndy.

*Please call or email the Church Office
to add to or remove someone on the prayer list.*

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Sunday February 22nd, 2026

1st Sunday of Lent

Service of the Word



Preparation for Worship – Help us, O Lord, to be still and patient before you as we wait for the touch of your hand upon our hearts. Amen.

Words of Welcome – We're gathered to praise a faithful God whose promises never fail. Scripture reminds us, "For all the promises of God find their Yes in him" (2 Corinthians 1:20, ESV). May our worship today echo that "Amen," bringing glory to Christ who is always with us.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer* (Red Hymnal #618)

GREETING:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE *The Glory of These Forty Days* vs 1,2,& 4 (Red Hymnal #320)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 32

- ¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!
² **Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
³ While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.
⁴ **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**
⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
⁶ **Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**
⁷ You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
⁸ **"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.**
⁹ Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."
¹⁰ **Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**
¹¹ Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Return to the Lord* (Red Hymnal p. 216)

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

Rev Joyce Heintz

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

(Red Hymnal #325)

APOSTLES' CREED

(Red Hymnal p105)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Reconciled by God's mercy and sustained by God's presence, let us pray for the world and its needs...

...Hear us O God,

Your mercy is great.

... Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING:

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OFFERING RESPONSE:

We Are an Offering

(Red Hymnal #692)

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD:

(Red Hymnal p220)

Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God,...

...For your Word of life, O God, **we give you thanks and praise.**

... through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

When Peace like a River (It Is Well with My Soul)(Red Hymnal #785)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.