



# Epiphany | Fifth Sunday

8:30 am & 10:45 am February 4, 2024

## New to COS?

If this is your first time at COS, please sign our guestbook:



## Kids Church

Rooms 100-104 after the children's message until the end of the 10:45 am service. Pre-school-4th grade.

## Nursery

Room 101. Drop off either before the start of 10:45 am worship or after the children's message. Children are welcome to stay in the service too.

## Hearing Assistance

The sanctuary is equipped with Williams Hearing Assist technology. Personal receivers are at the AV console.

## Hymn 831:1-4 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?

### *Stand*

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.  
**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

### *Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**A - men.**

## Hymn Response—831:5

Since I know God never fails me, in his voice I'll rejoice  
when grim death assails me.  
Trusting in my Savior's merit, safe at last, troubles past,  
I shall heav'n inherit.

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, keep your family continually in true faith, so that those who rely only on the hope of your heavenly grace may be protected by your mighty power; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

*Isaiah 40:27–31*

<sup>27</sup>Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel,  
“My way is hidden from the LORD; my cause is disregarded by my God”?

<sup>28</sup>Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

<sup>29</sup>He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

<sup>30</sup>Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall;

<sup>31</sup>but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.

## Second Reading

*1 Peter 5:6–11*

<sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

<sup>8</sup>Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because

you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

<sup>10</sup>And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. <sup>11</sup>To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

*Isaiah 40:31*



*Refrain*



*Tone*



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## Gospel

*Mark 1:29-39*

<sup>29</sup>As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. <sup>30</sup>Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. <sup>31</sup>So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

<sup>32</sup>That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. <sup>33</sup>The whole town gathered at the door, <sup>34</sup>and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

<sup>35</sup>Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. <sup>36</sup>Simon and his companions went to look for him, <sup>37</sup>and when they found him, they exclaimed: “Everyone is looking for you!”

<sup>38</sup>Jesus replied, “Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come.” <sup>39</sup>So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated. The children are invited to the chancel steps for a message in the 10:45 am service.*

## **Hymn 821 On Eagle’s Wings**

### **Sermon**

*Stand*

### **Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Be seated*

### **Prayer of the Church**

### **Offering**

*Offerings may be given via the QR code ([cosrock.org/donate](https://cosrock.org/donate)) or the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.*



## Hymn 833 | Run to Christ

*Stand*

### Closing Prayer

#### Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

#### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and **T** give you peace.

**Amen.**

## Hymn 803 Day by Day

## Announcements

### MLC Choir Housing Sign Up

*Wednesday, March 6*

The 60-voice strong Martin Luther College Choir will sing at COS during our Lenten Vespers on Wednesday, March 6. We are excited to host these future pastors, teachers, and staff ministers of our Synod. You are invited to take a pair of students home with you after church on Wednesday, March 6 and bring them back to COS by 8:00 am Thursday, March 7. Scan the QR code to volunteer to host students in your home or visit [cosrock.org/host](http://cosrock.org/host) .



### Prayer Pals Brunch

*9:30 am Saturday, February 10*

All COS women are invited to the next Prayer Pal Brunch on February 10. Current participants will find out who had been praying for them during the last few months, newcomers will learn about how Prayer Pals works. The morning is a fun time to get to know other members of the group. Food will be provided, just bring yourself!

# Announcements

## **Preschool Enrollment for 2024/25**

*Now enrolling at [cosrock.org/preschool](http://cosrock.org/preschool)*

Next school year COS Preschool will again be offering preschool for 3s and 4s, as well as Toddler Time. For more information visit [cosrock.org/preschool](http://cosrock.org/preschool) or contact Linda Gauger ([lindagauger@live.com](mailto:lindagauger@live.com), 616.866.0611).

## **Lent**

*February 14-March 30*

Lent is fast approaching. COS again adds a series of 6:30 pm midweek services to the worship schedule called Lenten Vespers. The first one is Ash Wednesday with the optional imposition of ashes prior to the start of worship, special music, Holy Communion. Four of the remaining five Wednesdays of Lent will delve into the theme "Baptized into His Death." These services will be about forty minutes in length. The middle Wednesday service on March 6 will be led by the Martin Luther College Choir. It will last over an hour.

## **Lenten Suppers**

*5:30 - 6:20 pm Wednesdays, Feb 14-March 20*

Prior to each of the Lenten Vespers is a Lenten Supper,. While not having to make supper on a night you are also coming to church is a convenience, the real purpose of the Lenten Suppers is fellowship. Eat when you arrive. Eat with your COS sisters and brothers. Different menu each week. Different church groups cooking each week. Free. Freewill donations accepted to defray cost.

Feb 14 - Pancake Supper (Proceeds go to COS Youth Group's summer CO trip)

Feb 21- Jambalaya

Feb 28 - Tacos

Mar 6 - Lasagna (MLC Choir)

Mar 13 - Brats & Burgers

Mar 20 - Soup & Sandwich

## **Camp Lor-Ray**

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*Jn 7-12, 4th-6th grs*

*Jn 14-19, 7th-9th grs*

Kids Camp is coming at our WELS-ELS Camp Lor-Ray located near Michigan's Adventure, just north of Muskegon. Check out the registration info and volunteer staffing info at [CampLor-Ray.org](http://CampLor-Ray.org). Questions [CampLorray@gmail.com](mailto:CampLorray@gmail.com).

# this week @ COS

## Sunday, February 4

8:30 am Worship  
9:45 am Sunday School/Little Lambs/  
Adult Forum  
10:45 am Worship

birthdays & anniversaries

## Monday, February 5

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study  
9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's  
6:30 pm Ladies' Bible Study

Janet Blackall  
Braden McGillicuddy

## Tuesday, February 6

9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's

Jane Hess

## Wednesday, February 7

9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's  
5:30 pm Pizza Supper  
6:00 pm Catechism Classes  
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, February 8

9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's  
6:30 pm Worship

## Friday, February 9

9:00am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Toddler Time

Ken & Arlene Walski [72]  
Alex Berry  
Jorita Cook

## Saturday, February 10

9:30 am Prayer Pal Brunch

## Sunday, February 11

8:30 am Worship  
9:45 am Sunday School/Little Lambs/  
Adult Forum  
10:45 am Worship  
5:00 pm Youth Group Game Night

Jennifer Duyck

### Organist

Kathy Marten

### Liturgy

Pastor Tim Gauger

### Sermon

Pastor Steve Hahm

### Offerings

Charlie Zebell

Aimee Zebell

### Altar Guild

Jill Weber

Rebekah Becker

Rosemary Winicki

Laurie Marquis

### Snow Patrol

Brian Steinberg

Ben Mayse

### 8:30 am

### Streaming

Andrew Becker

### Acolyte

Anneli Sullivan

### Lector

Mark Hess

### Usher

James Becker

Dave Ross

### Coffee Set Up

Cleve Kasper

Kathy Kasper

### 10:45 am

### Acolyte

Jackson Veine

### Lector

Derek Rummel

### Usher

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Scott Veine

### Coffee Clean Up

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