

Portland Lutheran Parish

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Sunday, January 15

9:45 a.m. Perry Annual Meeting

11 – 1 p.m. Potato Klub Dinner at Bruflat

2:00 p.m. Worship at LMH

Monday, January 16

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Parish Office Closed)

Tuesday, January 17

2:00 p.m. Parish Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Unity Circle (Bruflat) mtg@ Bruflat

Wednesday, January 18

3:45 p.m. 8th grade Confirmation at Aurdal

6:00 p.m. 9th grade Confirmation at Aurdal

7:00 p.m. Bruflat Council meeting at Bruflat

Thursday, January 19

2:00 p.m. Caring Ministry at LMH

Friday, January 20

10:30 a.m. Worship at Luther Memorial Home

Saturday, January 21

9:00 a.m. Youth Ministry Workshop at St. Martin's Church in Casselton

Sunday, January 22

8:45 a.m. Worship at Perry

9:30 a.m. Worship at Bruflat, Sunday

Sunday, January 22 (continued)

School at 10:30; Bruflat Annual meeting following worship

10:00 a.m. Worship at Bang, Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.; Annual Meeting with potluck follows worship; Cemetery Association meeting following the Annual Meeting

11:00 a.m. Worship at Aurdal, Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, February 12

Aurdal Annual meeting following worship

CORRECTIONS:

The Bruflat Potato Klub Dinner will be held **today**, Sunday, January 15 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The incorrect date was listed in the newsletter

The Bridal Shower Open House for Natasha Flaten will be at Bruflat on **Sunday**, February 5 from 1 – 3 p.m. The incorrect day was listed in the newsletter.

Perry Lutheran Church † Bruflat Lutheran Church
Bang Lutheran Church † Aurdal Lutheran Church

Congregations of the Portland Lutheran Parish

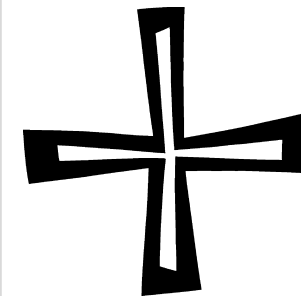
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Sunday, January 15, 2012 – 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Interim Pastors David Halaas and Robert Scheurer

Organists: Nancy Rindy, Perry; Elaine Klath, Bang;

Marlene Johnson, Aurdal & Bruflat



Welcome to worship today! We are glad you are here! A special welcome to visitors and friends. If you'd like more information about our congregation please contact us at 788-2859 or email one of our pastors. Our monthly newsletter is available by mail or electronically . . . let us know if you are not receiving it!

Children are welcome! Special bulletins for children are available from the ushers. Everyone is encouraged to take home the "Taking Faith Home" bulletin insert for your personal or family use each day in the week ahead.

This is the season of Epiphany . . . the seasons of the church year are Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost.

Farewell and Godspeed to Pastor Robert and Diane Scheurer

Sunday, January 29th

One Parish-Wide Worship Service

9:30 a.m.

at Bruflat Lutheran Church

with brunch to follow

Pastor Bob's final day of ministry with us is Monday, February 6th. Bob has accepted a call to serve ELCA congregations in Rockford and Marble Rock, Iowa.

Confirmation Students will be saying farewell to Pastor Bob at this Wednesday's confirmation classes.

Luther Memorial Home residents will be saying farewell to Pastor Bob at a special event this Tuesday at 2:00 p.m., and at LMH Chapel on Friday at 10:30 a.m.

♪ *Prelude*

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

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♪ Gathering Hymn

"Praise to the Father"

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Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer,
for the countless blessings and benefits you give.
May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you,
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

God's Word for Us

First Reading

1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]

At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the Lord comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel's prophetic ministry.

Psalm

139:1-6, 13-18

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Paul is helping the Corinthians understand that God has claimed the entirety of their lives through the death of Christ. Hence Christian relationships and conduct, including areas of human sexuality, are to reflect the reality that we belong to Christ and that the Holy Spirit lives within us.

♪ *Alleluia Verse*

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Gospel

John 1:43-51

In John's gospel, Jesus' ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip's friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to "Come and see."

Sermon

♪ **Hymn of the Day**

"Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult"

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Apostles' Creed

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Peace

♪ **Offering**

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

♪ *Three-fold Amen*

Announcements

♪ **Sending Hymn**

"O Master, Let Me Walk with You"

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