

Announcements for the week of February 15, 2026

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- **SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR Sunday, February 22, 2026**
Gen 2:15-17, 3:1-7; Psalms 32, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11

- Our Church service is now available to listen to on our website: platochurch.com
- Church Council will meet TODAY after worship.

- **Ash Wednesday, February 18th service here at St. Paul’s at 7:00 pm**

- ***Schedule for Lenten Services Service’s all at 7:00 pm***
February 25th – 1st Congregational – Glencoe
March 4th – St. John’s – Bongards
March 11th – St. Paul’s – Plato
March 18th – Friedens – Norwood
March 25th – 1st Congregational – Glencoe

- Plato Fire Dept Fish Fry – Friday, February 20th; 2p – 7p at the Plato Fire Hall
- St. John’s Lutheran Church Pancake Breakfast; Sunday February 22nd
- First Lutheran Ev. Lutheran Church Glencoe Potato Pancake & Sausage Dinner – Sunday, March 22, 2026; 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

- **Our Members Living in Long Term Care:** (Please keep them in your prayers. Addresses are posted on the bulletin board.)
Harmony River Living Center in Hutchinson: Olive Pinske and Dennis Scharpe.
The Haven in Norwood Young America: Mavis Schuette.
Broadwell Senior Living, Plymouth: Jim Jensen, Apt 2
Orchard Estates: Donna Schmidt, Room 115
Cokato Manor: Orville Schrupp, Rm 151
Auburn Home, Chaska: Vee Ann Wood Rm. 311

- **Please be here 30 minutes before worship:**
February 15th – Lloyd & Sharon Graupmann
February 22nd – John & Amy Thomas
March 1st - Mike & Elaine Graupmann
March 8th - Dave & Dawn Prehn

Scripture Reader

- 2/15 Sandra Frederickson
- 2/22 Jim Leith
- 3/1 Peg Flusemann

Fellowship Time

- Feb. 22nd – Richard Milota and Sandra Frederickson, Gary & Dale Graupmann
- March 8th - Lloyd & Sharon and Louis Graupmann
- March 22 - Mike & Elaine Graupmann & Gregg & Lori Lemke

Communion for March -Marlo Lepel

**St. Paul’s United Church of Christ
Plato, MN**

**Sunday February 15, 2026
9:00 a.m.**



6th Sunday After the Epiphany

**Pastor: Brian Brosz
Organist: Diane Anderson**

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I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High. When my enemies turned back, they stumbled and perished before you. For you have maintained my just cause; you have sat on the throne giving righteous judgement. Psalm 9:1-4

February 15, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Transfiguration Sunday

Pastor: Brian Brosz

Organist: Diane Anderson

Prelude - Ringing of the Bell

***Opening Hymn: #391 “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”**

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord

There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet Heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love.

And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise

Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

*Passing the Peace

+Announcements – Joys – Concerns

Hymn #45 *“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*

Call to Worship (Responsively)

Pastor: Come to rejoice together; God is present with us. Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones.

Congregation: *We are restored to life morning after morning. We will extol our God, who lifts us up.*

Pastor: Come to be washed and cleansed, forgiven and freed. Renew your commitment to the One who calls us.

Congregation: *We have come to listen for God's word to us. We will give thanks to God's holy name.*

Pastor: Come to enter the race for an imperishable goal. Proclaim the joy of serving in God's name.

Congregation: *We are here to find where God will send us. We are ready to serve in Christ's name.*

Hymn #43 *“All Hail the Power of Jesus Name”*

Prayer of Invocation (In Unison): We come to you, gracious God, as a community of people who realize all is not well with us. We come longing for a wholeness that eludes us. At time, we flee from you. We are afraid to let you get too close. But today we dare to enter your presence with the intention of letting you heal us and draw us close. Hear us, O God, and be gracious to us. Oh God, be our helper. Turn our mourning into dancing, so our souls may praise you and not be silent. Touch us with your love. Amen.

Prayer of Confession (in Unison) Where are you, God? We confess that we have ignored you for so long that we feel out of touch. When we have a sudden need, it feels as if you are hiding from us. On those days, when it seems we are down in a pit, and there is no way out, we do not dare to trust that you are there. Instead, we look for help in the wrong places and pursue our own ideas of what is best for us. Forgive us, O God, and teach us health self-control and responsiveness to your will. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Scriptures: Matthew 17: 1-9

Reader: Sandra Frederickson

Message: “Comin’ Down the Mountain”

Hymn #83 “There’s Something About That Name”

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn #340 *“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”*

Offering (as you have given upon entering or as you leave)

Doxology #815

Offertory Prayer (In Unison)

Thank you, God, for the opportunity to invest in the healing ministry of the church. As we reach out to offer hope of wholeness to our fragmented world, we find new meaning for our lives. We are grateful for your faithfulness even when we do not respond. We rejoice that your love is constant through our long nights of weeping and days of suffering. Even in these moments, we celebrate the joy of giving. Amen.

Response #816 “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

Hymn #372 *“Our God Reigns”*

Benediction

Ringling of the Bell