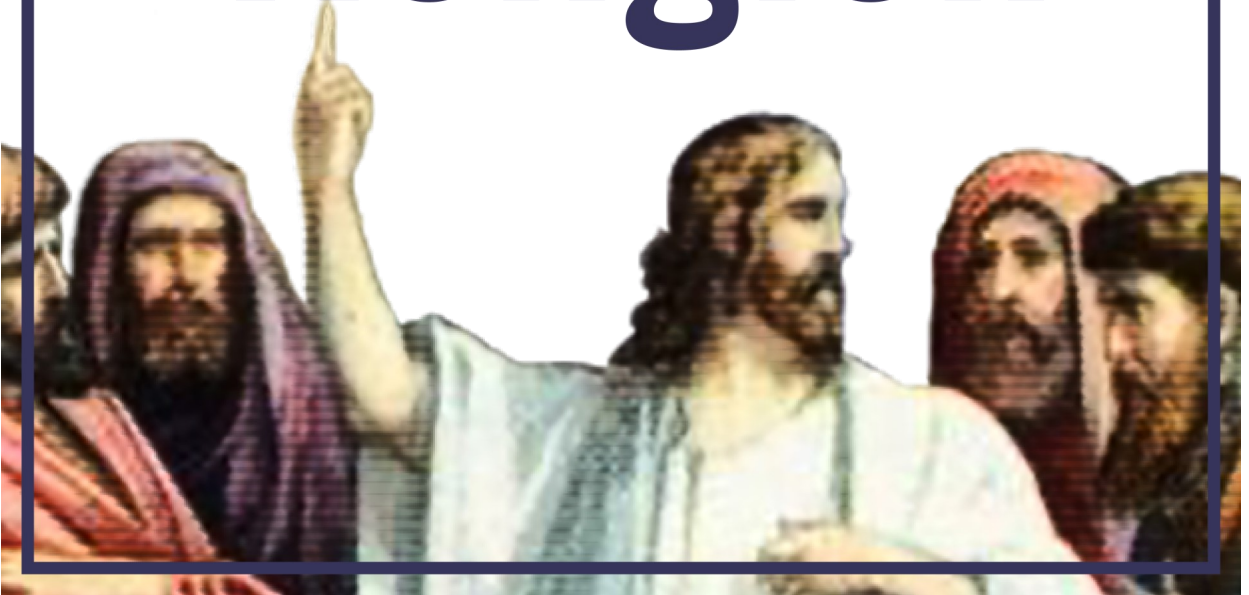


# Rethinking Religion



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# Welcome!

*We are glad that you have joined us for worship.*

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We are pleased you could join us. May your worship with us draw you closer to God and equip you for a life of even more dynamic Christian discipleship. If you need assistance during the service, please speak to one of the ushers.

## **THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**WORSHIP THEME: [Rethinking Religion:  
The Solution to Sin](#)**

**PRESCHOOL SINGING**

**OPENING HYMN: [#570 God Loved the World So That He Gave](#) (vs.1-6)**

**INVOCATION**

**CONFESSION OF SINS**

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

## THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: **Numbers 21:4-9**

SUNG RESPONSE: *Change My Heart, O God*

SECOND LESSON: **John 3:14-21**

APOSTLES' CREED

CHILDREN'S DEVOTION

SERMON HYMN: #574 *The Tree of Life* (vs.1-4)

SERMON TEXT: **Ephesians 2:1-10**

THEME: **The solution to sin...**

- Cannot come from us.
- Is a product of God's grace.
- Must reverse its disastrous effects.

OFFERING/ OFFERING SONG: #609 *We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer* (v.1)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER (*all pray*)

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: # 519 *There Is a Redeemer* (vs.1-3)



### CONNECTION CARD ON OUR APP



*Please take a moment and fill out the info on the connection card, located under the Worship Today button on our app or on our website. There is a tablet in entryway or QR Code on the left if you prefer to use that. Please fill out any information and submit.*

### THE OFFERING

*Dear guests, we're glad you're here to listen to the message about Jesus.*

*If members or guests would like to give an offering electronically, they can do so by using the QR Code on the right or download our App, which is available at any app store. Those that give digitally can place the "Give" cards in the plate during the offering.*



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY**: **My Life for the Kingdom - Lesson 7**: Joseph's desire was not to get even with his brothers or to make them feel sorry for how they had mistreated him and their father, Jacob. Rather, he put a carefully crafted plan into place that would bring about their repentance, forgiveness, and restoration.

**THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM**: **Key Words & Symbols** Helping you make sense of the pictures used in Scripture. This week will be the significance of the name the **Sabbath**

**WEDNESDAY LENTEN WORSHIP SERIES—GOD ON TRIAL**: Join us at **7:00 pm** with a light snack following. Retired Pastor Erv Eckhoff will be leading worship around the theme: **Denial**

**INTERFAITH OUTREACH**: We are collecting non-perishable food items now thru Easter to help those in need. There is a cart setup in the fellowship hall.

**WISE PENNY**: Looking for volunteers on the **2nd Sunday** of each month at **1:00pm** or volunteer during the week for 2 hour shift. There is a sign-up on the GroupLife board for the Sunday shifts. Sign-up for both are on our App under GroupLife.

- Donate your unwanted items! Large items/quantities require prior approval. Call the store to schedule: (763) 682-4178 or book online: <https://signup.com/go/aYohnWv>

**WEST LUTHERAN**: Sacred Concert: **TODAY @ 2:00pm**

- **GERTENS FUNDRAISING**: Order plants or gift cards through Gertens to support the Fine Arts Club. Go to [gertensfundraising.com](http://gertensfundraising.com) Enter store ID: 954
- **ALUMNI CELEBRATION**: Alumni celebration on **Saturday, May 18th** at the Medina Ballroom from 5-10 pm. Please forward/fill out this Alumni Questionnaire so that we can get in touch with you and look for an invitation/RSVP to come out by April 1!



**MUSIC AND JESUS (MAJ)**: Kids MAJ is a day camp for youth in grades 2-8, and Teen MAJ is an overnight retreat for teens in grades 8-13. During the compact 3 or 4-day rehearsal, the cast learns a Bible-based, Christ-centered 45-minute original show, and the band assembles the music (for Teen). For more information and to register online (early bird deadline is April 1, regular deadline is June 1), visit [www.musicandjesus.org](http://www.musicandjesus.org).

**SINGLES RETREAT**: We invite all singles (widowed, divorced, or never married) to join us at the 2024 WELS/ELS Singles Retreat for a weekend of fellowship and fun! The retreat will be April 26-28, 2024 at Camp Shiloh in Pittsburg, TX. Our theme is "Living In Our Season". The price is \$150. You can register at [wels-els-singles.com/2024-texas-retreat](http://wels-els-singles.com/2024-texas-retreat) (<http://wels-els-singles.com/2024-texas-retreat>). Any questions can be sent to [texassingleswels@gmail.com](mailto:texassingleswels@gmail.com).

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