

## Fourth Year Seminarian Nathaniel Brown's Journey

**December 2020/January 2021**

Greetings in our Lord Jesus Christ, who has come, and will come again. What a break from classes this Advent and Christmas has been.

My break started off at Thanksgiving. We received notice that classes would be online after Thanksgiving. It was nice to be at my parents' house for the last couple weeks of classes, but it was strange being in class while being in South Dakota. Hopefully I don't need to do any more online classes, because they definitely were not the best. I prefer in person classes, but with the pandemic, I can empathize why classes moved to an online format.

The past couple of months of being at home had plenty of services going on. I was glad to participate in them, and next year, I will be leading them myself, which I am very excited about. I am back in St. Louis for the two weeks before classes start. This isn't required, but it is a recommended action from the Seminary. When classes start, I will be in a class on Baptism, a class on the book of Hebrews, and a class on Pastoral Leadership. The first two classes are half semester classes, but they should be fun. I am taking a bit of a lighter load this semester, but I will have plenty to do in preparing for my move in a few months.

Call Day is definitely on my mind as I am in St. Louis before classes. I ask that you all would pray for me and the rest of my class, as we are all excited and scared of where we will learn where we will be serving in just about three months. I am praying that the pandemic has loosened its grip by the time I enter ministry, but if it doesn't, our Lord Jesus is still in control of the world, and is a valuable reminder. My address for the next few months is **Nathaniel Brown, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105**. God's blessings to all of you!†

### Prayer List:

- For all people, that they may come to the knowledge of Christ and so be saved.
- For all our leaders, that the rules they enact may lead us to quiet and dignified lives.
- That the Church may be strengthened in her mission.
- For the Seminaries in St. Louis and in Ft. Wayne, that they may be led faithfully.
- For all those affected by the Coronavirus pandemic, and for all people working to protect others through this.
- For all pastors and professors that they may be faithful in their service to the Church and to the Scripture
- For all graduates that they may be strengthened in faith as they transition into being called and ordained servants of Christ.
- For my professors as I complete my fourth year, that they may continue to be a well of knowledge needed in training future pastors.

If you have prayer requests, or want to talk, please send them to me!

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