



Third Sunday after Pentecost
St. John's Lutheran Church
 Red Bud, Illinois
 June 12-13, 2021



PRELUDE: "O Worship the King" *arranged by Benjamin M. Culli*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 901 "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty; Zi - on, let me
 2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore Thee; Come Thou al - so
 3 Here Thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed; Here Thy seed is
 4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en; Let me keep Thy



en - ter there, Where my soul in joy - ful du - ty
 un - to me. Where we find Thee and a - dore Thee,
 du - ly sown. Let my soul, where it is plant - ed,
 gift di - vine, How - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick - en;



Waits for Him who an - swers prayer. Oh, how bless - ed
 There a heav'n on earth must be. To my heart, O
 Bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone, So that all I
 May Thy Word still o'er me shine As my guid - ing



is this place, Filled with sol - ace, light, and grace!
 en - ter Thou; Let it be Thy tem - ple now!
 hear may be Fruit - ful un - to life in me.
 star through life, As my com - fort in all strife.

5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee; Let Thy will be done indeed.
 May I undisturbed draw near Thee While Thou dost Thy people feed.
 Here of life the fountain flows; Here is balm for all our woes. Public domain

Divine Service One, page 151ff.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 151 (*please stand if you are able*)

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

HYMN OF PRAISE: "This Is the Feast" page 155

Refrain

C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb ——— who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you. C: (*sung*) And also with you.

P: Let us pray. **C: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (please be seated)**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: “I Myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I Myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.” P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL:

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, **and His greatness is unsearchable.**
On Your wondrous works I will meditate, **and I will declare Your greatness.**

THE EPISTLE READING: 2 Corinthians 5:1-10

For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please Him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil. P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

(please stand if you are able) **ALLELUIA and VERSE:** (page 156) *(sung)*

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Mark 4:26-34

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 4th chapter. **C: (sung) Glory to You, O Lord.**

And Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.”

And He said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” With many such parables He spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to His own disciples He explained everything.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: *(sung)* **Praise to You, O Christ.**

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: CREED

(10:30 a.m.) **The Nicene Creed: page 158**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen. *(please be seated)*

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **The Apostles' Creed: page 159**

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

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence 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. *(please be seated)*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: (*5 p.m. & 8 a.m.*) (LSB 643)

**With praise and thanks-giv-ing To God ev-er-living
The tasks of our ev-'ry-day life we will face.
Our faith ev-er shar-ing, In love ev-er car-ing,
Em-brac-ing His chil-dren of each tribe and race.
The seed of His teach-ing, Re-cep-tive souls reach-ing,
Shall blos-som in ac-tion for God and for all.
His grace did in-vite us, His love shall u-nite us
To work for God's king-dom and an-swer His call.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: 577 "Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast"

**Al-mighty God, Your Word is cast Like seed in-to the ground;
Now let the dew of heav'n de-scend And righ-teous fruits a-bound.**

**Let not the sly, sa-tan-ic foe This ho-ly seed re-move,
But give it root in ev-'ry heart To bring forth fruits of love.**

**Let not the world's de-ceit-ful cares The ris-ing plant de-stroy,
But let it yield a hun-dred-fold The fruits of peace and joy.**

**So when the pre-cious seed is sown, Life-giv-ing grace be-stow
That all whose souls the truth re-ceive Its sav-ing pow'r may know.**

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SERMON: "Goodly Grain Grown in and Gathered from God's Garden of Grace"

Mark 4:26-34

- I. The Seed of the Spirit Is Sown
- II. The Grain of God's Grace Grows
- III. The Harvest of Holy People for Heaven Happens

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (*please stand if you are able*)

(*Each petition ends, "Lord, in Your mercy," and we respond, "hear our prayer."*)

HEALING AND COMFORT: Evelyn Muench, Ed Luttmann, Elroy Stellhorn, Larry Ebers, Bob Carnahan, Dennis Deterding, Rhonda Schaefer; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Lori Voges, Doug Whelan, Bob Rothley, Bruce Schneider, Michelle Dillon, Terry Heller, Dave Steffan. *Help us keep this list current!*

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+thanks for God's blessings upon the ministry of our Vacation Bible School this past week
+the retirement of Julie Ratz from our office staff

OFFERTORY: pages 159-160

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

**I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

The 5 p.m. & 8 a.m. services end with the Lord's Prayer, a Closing Prayer, and Benediction.

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

CLOSING COLLECT

Pastor: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **People: Amen.**

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace. **C** **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: 921 "On What Has Now Been Sown"



1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;
2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;
3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou
Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -
May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!
es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.
low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

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(10:30 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 160ff.

Preface

P The Lord be with you. C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts. C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

Lord's Prayer, the Words of Our Lord and the Pax Domini

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

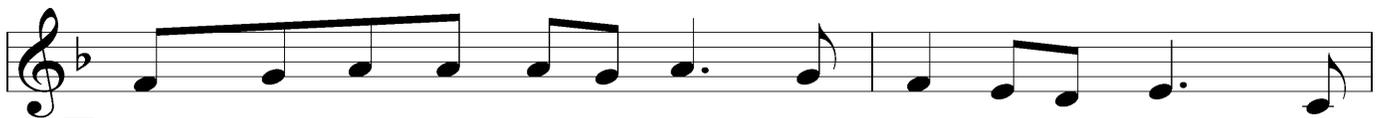
C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My (+) body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My (+) blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** **Amen.**

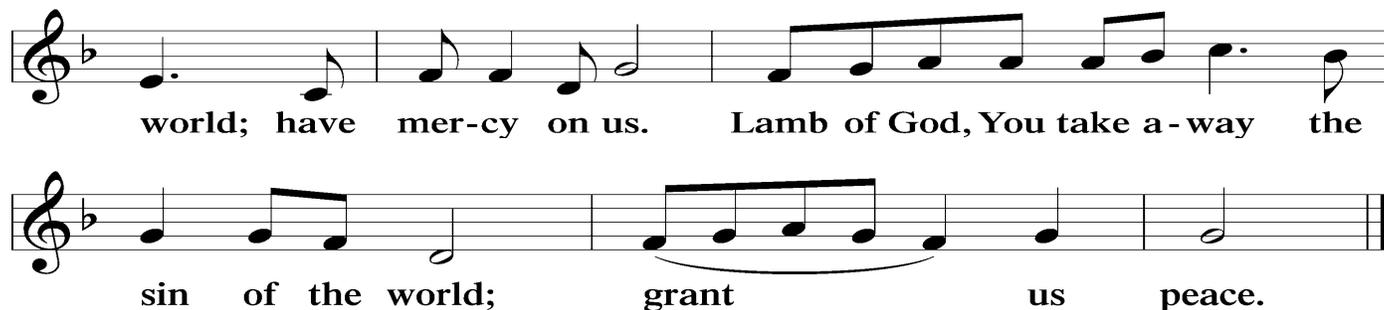
Agnus Dei



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



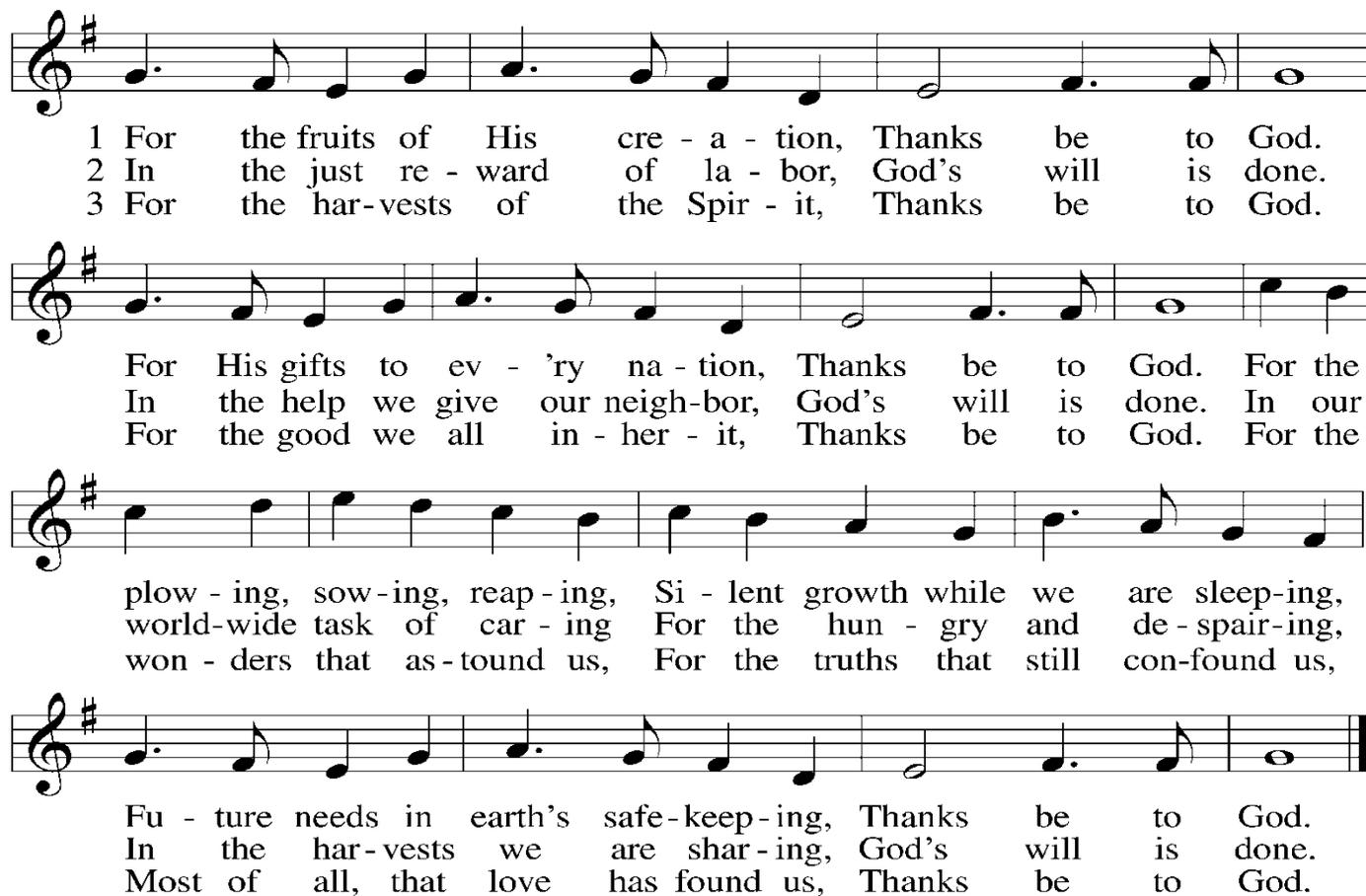
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: (*please be seated*)

894 "For the Fruits of His Creation"



1 For the fruits of His cre - a - tion, Thanks be to God.
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
3 For the har-vests of the Spir - it, Thanks be to God.

For His gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, Thanks be to God. For the
In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is done. In our
For the good we all in - her - it, Thanks be to God. For the

plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, Si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
world - wide task of car - ing For the hun - gry and de - pair - ing,
won - ders that as - tound us, For the truths that still con - found us,

Fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, Thanks be to God.
In the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
Most of all, that love has found us, Thanks be to God.

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804 "O Worship the King"



1 O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
3 This earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?



O grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His love;
 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space;
 Al - might - y, Thy pow'r hath found - ed of old,
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,



Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
 Es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,



Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
 And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
 And round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 And sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail. Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend!

6 O measureless Might, ineffable Love, While angels delight to hymn Thee above, Thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays, With true adoration shall sing to Thy praise.

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691 "Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing"



1 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's sow - ing, May we rip - en
 2 Lad - en branch - es free - ly bear - ing Gifts the Giv - er
 3 Root - ed deep in Christ our Mas - ter, Christ our pat - tern
 4 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's tend - ing, May we grow till



and in - crease, Fruit to life e - ter - nal grow - ing,
 loves to bless; Here is fruit that grows by shar - ing,
 and our goal, Teach us, as the years fly fast - er,
 har - vests cease; Till we taste, in life un - end - ing,



Rich in love and joy and peace.
 Pa - tience, kind - ness, gen - tle - ness.
 Good - ness, faith, and self - con - trol.
 Heav - en's love and joy and peace.

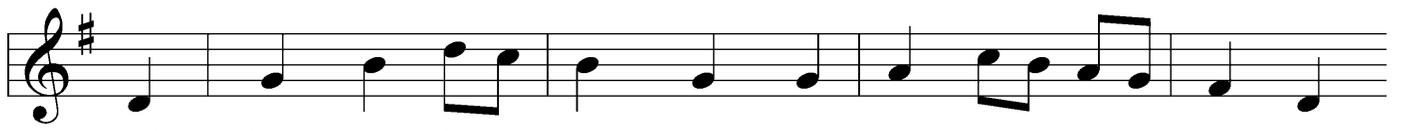
643 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, Our true faith con - fess - ing,
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing To God ev - er - liv - ing,



The peo - ple of God from His dwell - ing take leave.
 The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face.



The Sup - per is end - ed. O now be ex - tend - ed
 Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing,



The fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
 Em - brac - ing His chil - dren of each tribe and race.



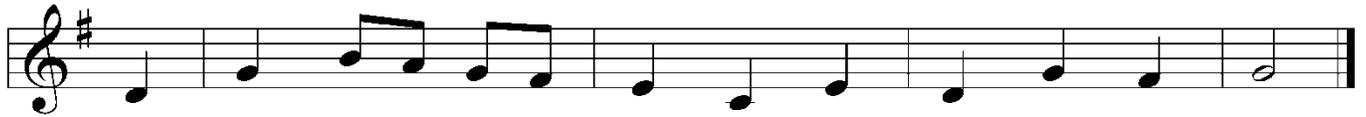
The seed of His teach - ing, Re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,
 With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;



Shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
 U - nite us as one in this life that we share.



His grace did in - vite us, His love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks - giv - ing



To work for God's king - dom and an - swer His call.
Give hon - or to Christ and His name that we bear.

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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Thank the Lord" page 164



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



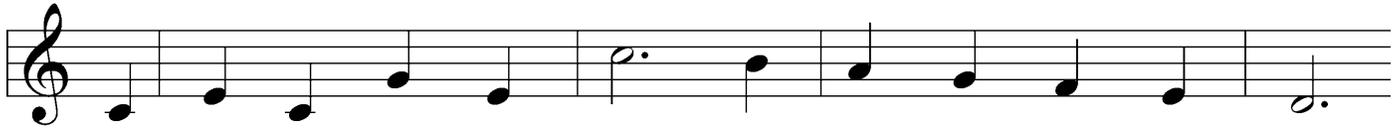
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C **Amen.**

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace. C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: 921 “On What Has Now Been Sown”

1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;
 2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;
 3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou
 Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -
 May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!
 es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.
 low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

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This Week With Our Lord, June 13-20, 2021**SUNDAY, June 13-**

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday School in new gym

9:30 a.m. Retirement Reception for Julie Ratz in the Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

Monday, June 14- Flag Day!*DCE Bill Becker is on vacation this week***Tuesday, June 15- Julie's last day in the office**

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

11:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting

Wednesday, June 16-

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (2nd Samuel)**Thursday, June 17-**

8:10 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Ezekiel)

Saturday, June 19-7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall (1st Timothy)

5:00 p.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Christine Liefer

SUNDAY, June 20- Happy Father's Day!

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Sam Roscow

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Classes in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday School in new gym

10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative) Acolyte: Addelyn Rahn

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-3873 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 258; Holy Communion: 140; Adults/Youth: 25 Sunday School: 10

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join with one another in the grace of giving. 6/6- General Fund: \$11,197.01; VBS: \$585; School: \$1,465; Sunday School: \$200. *Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. And thereby put Me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.*" (Malachi 3:10)

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

Many think they know what Christianity is all about, but Speaker Dr. Michael Zeigler asks, what if what they think it is, it isn't? Listen to "Cleary Christian: Good" (Matthew 8:17) on KFUE AM 850 Sunday at 12:30 & 5 p.m. (Bott Christian Radio on Sundays 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM).

PERFECT SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IN MAY:

Nursery: Jettson Grohmann, Hayden Schlimme; Kindergarten: Liam Langrehr, Amelia Langrehr, Layla Meyer, Maggie Kuehn; First grade: Henry Schnepel, Claire Doeding; Second Grade: Aiden Arbeiter, Lucy Kuehn; Fifth Grade: Mallory Arbeiter, Molly Kuehn, Lillian Meyer; Seventh Grade: Noah Kassing; Eighth Grade: Bruce Quinn Jr., Samuel Roscow, Daniel Stapleton. Thank you for your participation in and your dedication to our Sunday School!

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION:

We will hold Summer Sunday School in the school's main lobby for students four years old up to finishing grade seven. We will start at 9:30 a.m. and end 10:10 a.m. The wearing of a mask is up to parents' discretion. Opportunities to volunteer are available by contacting DCE Bill Becker.

RETIREMENT RECEPTION:

The retirement reception for our office Executive Assistant Julie Ratz is this Sunday, June 13 in the Fellowship Hall between worship services. She will appreciate your cards of congratulations. Her last day in the office is June 15.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

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SUMMER SINGERS:

"Do you like to sing? I invite everyone to take part in our "Summer Singers" group! We will sing for the following Sunday services: June 6th (10:30 AM); June 20th (8 AM); July 11th (10:30 AM); July 18th (8 AM), and August 1st (10:30 AM). We will meet a half an hour before each service in the balcony to practice the song. The songs we will sing are simple, most likely unison, but we can add some part-singing if there is interest. Children and youth are welcome to come sing too!! Let me know if you are interested!" *Mrs. Lindsey Hudak*

GOD'S GIFT OF A NEW PASTOR:

Rev. Brian Nowak will be installed as Pastor of St. John in Baldwin on July 4, 3 p.m. (meal following) and as Associate Pastor of St. John's in Red Bud in the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday, July 11 9receptioin following in our Fellowship Hall). He will first preach for us in the Saturday, July 17 service and again on the weekend of July 31-August 1.

CALLING FOR WORSHIP GREETERS:

Our Board of Elders wants to resume our practice of greeters for our worship services. Whether you have done this in the past or would be new to this ministry service, Pastor would like to hear from you. Please call or email him if you are willing to serve St. John's in this way.

SIGHT MINISTRY CENTER:

We meet at 1 p.m. in our church parking lot on Thursday, June 24 to travel to the Sight Ministry Center in Baldwin.

SENIOR YOUTH:

Our Senior Youth members will have one meeting over the summer (June/July). It will be their new member welcome and senior adios party. This will take place on Sunday, June 27, noon, at Lions Park Pavilion.

CPH SUMMER READING PROGRAM:

This is a summer reading program that is all about Jesus. It encourages kids to read all summer so they build vocabulary and comprehension skills while learning more about their Savior. It runs from June 1st through August 13. Any books children read will earn them points. If they log 1,000 points by August 13, they will be entered in for a chance to win awesome prizes. For more information, please grab a flier from the Media Board in the school lobby.

CHURCH WEEK AT RURAL KING:

Thank you to everyone who participated in Rural King (Waterloo) Church Week. Ten percent of the receipts you submitted earned St. John's \$129.56!

PARISH NURSE NOTE: (from LCMS *Better Health*)

Habits that Weaken Your Immunity- Excessive alcohol use increases susceptibility to pneumonia, creates a greater likelihood of developing acute respiratory stress syndromes,

produces poor wound healing, and makes for a slower and less complete recovery from infections.

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. To serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at 618/521-7417 or dvheller@htc.net. Call our office if you would like to add someone to our worship prayers. *Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective* (James 5:16).

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Wilma Wagner, Jody Winkelmann; Waterloo Garden Place- Alice Smith; Ruma R&R- Fern Schnepel, Willard Uffelmann; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace- June Lawrence; Cedarhurst Memory Care, Waterloo- Cecelia Lautenschlaeger, Elda Seders; Columbia Convalescent- David Burgdorf

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer/Neva Liefer, Orville Liefer, Doris Mueller, Vernon/Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Paul Schrieber, Gloria Stellhorn, Wilma Stellhorn, Norma Vogt, Arlin/Helen Winkelman

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Robert Burgdorf, Kathryn Chunn, Larry Ebers, Don/Betty Fausz, Lou Ann Gerlach, Willie Guebert, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth/Geri Koester, Donald Kueker, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttmann, Jean Menke, Edna Moeller.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

6/13- Craig Stamm, Jessica Nehrt, Karly Durbin, Ayden Wiegard; 6/14- Robert Holmstrom, Colin Korando; 6/15- Blake Bumann, Greyson Kipping; 6/16- Ken Poston, William Hanebutt, Michael Renner, Sofia Jones, Kolton Liefer; 6/17- Sharon Henke, Catherine Glasscock, Olivia Valleroy; 6/18- Steven Roy, Dominick Liefer, Kadin Liefer, Brooke Horrell; 6/19- Dennis Grohmann, Robert Niklich, Breanne Muench, Alex Gunter. *Please call the office for corrections!*

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO Radio, AM850 & **kfu.org**, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM850 & **kfu.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at **kfu.org** and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUO.org, Facebook, **Twitter**, and **Instagram**. This week on KFUO and kfu.org study Jeremiah 14-21 on Sharper Iron's "A Time to Destroy and a Time to Build" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), hear about 2nd Kings 9-13 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and consider practical application of our Lutheran Confessions on Concord Matters (6/19 at 10:00 a.m.). Download our new KFUO Radio iOS or Android app to listen live or on demand!

LIFE THOUGHTS: *(from Lutherans for Life)* www.lutheransforlife.org

The teachings of Jesus sometimes mention seeds (Mark 4:26, 31). The Lord likes how tiny and inactive things leave Him ample room to work life. Since He holds inanimate objects in such high regard, what exhilaration must He have over embryonic human beings! Declaring God's kingdom means defending the unborn.

NURSE NEEDED FOR DAYCARE HELP:

St. John's Lutheran Daycare is seeking an Illinois licensed nurse to do a voluntary walk through in the facility once a month for reporting purposes. If you are interested, please contact Amanda at 618-282-3873 ext. 224 or amandaf@stjohnsredbud.org. Thank you!

ISSUES, ETC.:

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: A Christian Response to Progressive Ideology, Religious Liberty in Crisis, Media Coverage of Religion, Freedom of Conscience and more. Tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE 850 AM or listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

CHRISTIAN MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:

+St. John's member Joan Voges offers music CDs from her Lilyfields Collection to us for a donation to our school's ministry. You can pick up copies from the table in the entryway.

+Former St. John's member Bryan Perdue has a new CD of music available called, "Freely Given Freely Received." This, plus a few of his earlier CDs also are available on the table in the entryway for a \$10 donation to our congregation's debt reduction.

LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS:

Copies of a Daily Bible Reading Guide are in the entryway. This week's readings are: June 13th- Lamentations 3:19-33; June 14th- Ezekiel 39:21-29; June 15th- Daniel 9:1-19; June 16th- Joel 2:1-17; June 17th- Joel 2:18-27; June 18th- Jonah 3:1-10; June 19th- Jonah 4:1-11.

SUMMER MUSIC SERIES:

St. Peter's UCC in Red Bud will host Dale LaRose in the lawn south of its church building on Friday, June 18 from 6-9 p.m. Bring your own drinks and lawn chairs. Food and desserts will be available for a freewill offering.

UPCOMING LUTHERAN OLDER ADULT RETREAT:

This coming Oct. 20th (Wed) & 21st (Thurs), 2021, the Southern Illinois & Missouri Districts of the LCMS will host the 19th Lutheran Older Adult Retreat at the Pere Marquette Lodge & Conference Center in Grafton. The theme will be "20/20 Perfect Cross-Eyed Vision. ("Cross Eyed" simply means that our Eyes are focused on the Cross of Christ!). Dr. Richard Bimler, expert on aging & humor, will be our Keynote Speaker. More information to come!

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL- 618-853-7300

Donations: If you missed the opportunity to make a purchase or donation at the auction, you can do so by mailing a gift. Donations can also be made online through links on our website.

Office Hours: Summer office hours are Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; Fridays 9:00 a.m.- noon. **Our Annual Rummage Sale** will be July 16 & 17. We will accept donations starting June 28. **Band Instructor Wanted:** Position is available at *COS* starting in August 2021. Contact us for more details.

Registration for 2021-2022 is still open! If you have a student or know someone who will be high school age during the 2021-2022 school year, encourage them to consider Christ Our Savior LHS. Learn more or download a registration form from our website, www.coslhs.org. Need-based financial aid is available.

The mission of Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School is to provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent education.

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Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Cindy Steele
 Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz; Aide – Patty Schnepel
 First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer
 Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy
 Fourth Grade – Cindy Nebel (Before/After School Care)
 Fifth Grade – Darlene Letcher Resource Teacher – Lara Vause
 Sixth Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel
 Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan
 Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director (6th-8th) – Justin Palm
 Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Ashley Brittingham, Megan Diercks, Jennifer Pfannebecker, Nicole Kadlec, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz, Pam Henry, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Johnston, Amy Williams, and Geraldine Thompson

Church Council

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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak
 Lector: (8 a.m.) Seminarian Wade Waterstreet
 Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia and Mark Moeller; (8 a.m.) Loren Harms and Lisa Quinn;
 (10:30 a.m.) Jim and Judy Gubert
 Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Shamus Korves; (8 a.m.) Jakob Biffar; (10:30 a.m.) Cadin Voss
 Video: Eric Fritsche Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr
 Flower Servers: Alice Guebert and Becky Biffar Paraments: Ella Hemmer

LIFELINE SCREENING:

LifeLine Screening will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at St. John's Lutheran Church on July 23. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heartbeat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle, call 1-888-653-6441 or text the word "circle" to 797979.

LCMS FOUNDATION:

As you goal for your family gift plan, will a lump sum inheritance serve your heirs better or would it be better spread over time? You don't want their inheritance to harm them but to bless. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help talk through your goals in this area. Contact Scott A. Radden at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org for more information.

ELDER ZONES FOR 2021: (Chairman, Eric Fritsche)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Eric Fritsche (618/410-5989)

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Larry Gielow (618/830-4689)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann thru R/K Herriman- Elder Jacob Arbeiter (618/615-1108)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Adam Guebert (618/920-2403)

Zone 5: Wil/Martha Krick thru Janel Maes- Elder David Reinhardt (618/967-7967)

Zone 6: Pat Malik thru Lanie Pensoneau- Elder Gerald Hanebutt (618/317-4574)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru Don Schrader- Elder Mike DeRousse (618/719-7024)

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Kevin Guebert (618/973-4356)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann thru Doug Zschiegner- Elder Kirk Liefer (618/559-7950)