

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost St. John's Lutheran Church Red Bud, Illinois July 24-25, 2021

PRELUDE: "Westminster Abbey" *arranged by Melvin Rotermund*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 914 "Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten"

**Light of light, O Sole-Be-got-ten Ra-diance of the Fa-ther's face,
Word made flesh, who lived a-mong us Full of truth and full of grace,
Shine up-on our hu-man dark-ness; Pierce the night that shrouds our race.**

**Word e-ter-nal, through Your be-ing God cre-at-ed all we see,
When the emp-ty spac-es ech-oed With the Fa-ther's "Let there be..."
Light and life burst from the glo-rious Pow-er of Your maj-es-ty!**

**Still Your brood-ing Spir-it hov-ers O-ver cha-os, dark and deep,
Call-ing out with in-vi-ta-tion: "Rise, a-wak-en from your sleep;
Christ the Lord will shine up-on you And from death your soul shall keep."**

**Come, Lord Jesus, by Your Spir-it In our hearts Your work be-gin,
Bring the heal-ing res-to-ra-tion Of Your image lost by sin;
From Your full-ness all re-ceiv-ing Grace on grace, new life with-in!**

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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.

P In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **CAmen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

INTROIT: Psalm 145

On the glorious splendor of Your | maj-es-ty,

and on Your wondrous works, I will | med-i-tate.

I will extol You, my | God and King, and bless Your name forever and | ev-er.

Every day I | will bless You and praise Your name forever and | ev-er.

Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised, and His greatness is un- | search-ab-le.

They shall speak of Your | awe-some deeds, and I will declare | Your great-ness.

They shall pour forth the fame of Your abundant | good-ness

and shall sing aloud of Your | right-eous-ness.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son and to the Holy | Spir-it;

as it was in the be- | gin-ning, is now, and will be forever. | A-men.

On the glorious splendor of Your | maj-es-ty,

and on Your wondrous works, I will | med-i-tate.

KYRIE: pages 152-153 (*we sing the responses*)

A In peace let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mer-cy.**

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mer-cy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mer-cy.**

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mer-cy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C **A-men.**

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



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: Almighty and most merciful God, the protector of all who trust in You, strengthen our faith and give us courage to believe that in Your love You will rescue us from all adversities; 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:

Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "Behold, I establish My covenant with you and your offspring after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. I establish My covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between Me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember My covenant that is between Me and you and every

living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between Me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL:

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!

For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. **To Him be glory forever. Amen.**

THE EPISTLE READING:

Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of His glory He may grant you to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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 6:45-56

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th chapter. **C: *(sung)* Glory to You, O Lord.**

Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while He dismissed the crowd. And after He had taken leave of them, He went up on the mountain to pray. And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and He was alone on the land. And He saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, but when they saw Him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, for they all saw Him and were terrified. But immediately He spoke to them and said, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” And He got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized Him and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard He was.

And wherever He came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored Him that they might touch even the fringe of His garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

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

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH:

(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)*

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

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. & 8 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: *(tune: "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb")***

Je-sus loves me and for-gives, all my sins that I may live;

As His child and heir of heav-en, Know-ing that I am for-giv-en,

Shar-ing Him with those I love; till we reach our home a-bove.

HYMN OF THE DAY: 849 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
 3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered

at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
 gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
 in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious

Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
 With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
 That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and

Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
 wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
 glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us

storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
 Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
 praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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SERMON: "He Came to Them, Spoke to Them, and Got into the Boat with Them"
 Mark 6:45-56

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

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

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+the wedding of Matthew Nebel and Hannah Minor in Waterloo, Iowa on July 31

+the 45th wedding anniversary of Bruce and Deitt Schneider on July 31

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 and BENEDICTION

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 or 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.**

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: 919 Abide, O Dearest Jesus"



1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, A - mong us with Your grace
 2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, A - mong us with Your Word,
 3 A - bide with heav'n - ly bright - ness A - mong us, pre - cious Light;
 4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings A - mong us, boun - teous Lord;



That Sa - tan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
 And thus now and here - af - ter True peace and joy af - ford.
 Your truth di - rect and keep us From er - ror's gloom - y night.
 Let us in grace and wis - dom Grow dai - ly through Your Word.

5 Abide with Your protection Among us, Lord, our strength,
 Lest world and Satan fell us And overcome at length.

6 Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with Your love;
 Grant steadfastness and help us To reach our home above. Public domain

(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 (*sung*)

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)*

(Lord Jesus, I pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace; so that Your body and Your blood may be for me a strengthening of my faith, a proof of my forgiveness, a closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness, the basis of a glad resurrection, and a pledge of my everlasting life. Amen.)

814 "O Bless the Lord, My Soul"



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join
 2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mer - cies lie
 3 'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis He re - lieves thy pain;
 4 He crowns thy life with love When ran - somed from the grave;



And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.
 For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!
 'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.
 He that re - deemed my soul from hell Hath sov - 'reign pow'r to save.

5 He fills the poor with good; He gives the suff'ers rest.
 The Lord hath judgments for the proud And justice for the_oppresed.

6 His wondrous works and ways He made by Moses known,
 But sent the world His truth and grace By His belovèd Son. Public domain

793 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet your
 2 Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor To His peo - ple
 3 Fa - ther - like He tends and spares us; Well our fee - ble
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore Him; You be - hold Him



trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
 in dis - tress; Praise Him still the same as ev - er,
 frame He knows; In His hand He gent - ly bears us,
 face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,



Ev - er - more His prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia,
 Slow to chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia,
 Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia,
 All who dwell in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.
 al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet His mer - cy flows.
 al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

636 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet Him, And with
 3 He who craves a pre - cious trea - sure Nei - ther
 4 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der O - ver



gloom-y haunts of sad - ness, Come in - to the day-light's
 lov - ing rev - 'rence greet Him. For with words of life im -
 cost nor pain will mea - sure; But the price-less gifts of
 this sur - pass - ing won - der That the bread of life is



splen - dor, There with joy your prais - es ren - der.
 mor - tal He is knock - ing at your por - tal.
 heav - en God to us has free - ly giv - en.
 bound-less Though the souls it feeds are count - less:



Bless the One whose grace un-bound - ed This a - maz - ing
 O - pen wide the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, as you
 Though the wealth of earth were prof - fered, None could buy the
 With the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to



ban - quet found - ed; He, though heav'n - ly, high, and
 there a - dore Him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
 gifts here of - fered: Christ's true bod - y, for you
 us is giv - en. Oh, most glo - rious con - so -



ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
 ceive You, That I nev - er - more will leave You.
 riv - en, And His blood, for you once giv - en.
 la - tion, Pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion!

- 5 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before You; Love incarnate, I adore You;
Worthily let me receive You And, so favored, never leave You.
- 6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor, Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring, Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
At Your feet I cry, my maker, Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven, For our good, Your glory, given.
- 7 Lord, by love and mercy driven, You once left Your throne in heaven
On the cross for me to languish And to die in bitter anguish,
To forego all joy and gladness And to shed Your blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.
- 8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You, Let me gladly here obey You.
By Your love I am invited, Be Your love with love requited;
By this Supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gift of grace You give me As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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Please stand if you are able.

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



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



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice 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 in 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: 919 Abide, O Dearest Jesus”



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- 3 A - bide with heav'n - ly bright - ness A - mong us, pre - cious Light;
- 4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings A - mong us, boun - teous Lord;



That Sa - tan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
 And thus now and here - af - ter True peace and joy af - ford.
 Your truth di - rect and keep us From er - ror's gloom - y night.
 Let us in grace and wis - dom Grow dai - ly through Your Word.

5 Abide with Your protection Among us, Lord, our strength,
 Lest world and Satan fell us And overcome at length.

6 Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with Your love;
 Grant steadfastness and help us To reach our home above. Public domain

THE POSTLUDE: “Christus, Der Ist Mein Leben”

arranged by Jeffery Blech

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This Week With Our Lord, July 25-August 1, 2021

SUNDAY, July 25-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

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

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class in the sanctuary

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

Monday, July 26-

6:00 p.m. Board of Parish Education meeting in school library

Tuesday, July 22- *August Epistle articles are due in the office*

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

1:30 p.m. Holy Communion Service at Red Bud Garden Place

Wednesday, July 28-

9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:00 a.m. Faculty meeting in the school library

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

1:30 p.m. Office Staff meeting

7:00 p.m. Quarterly Voters Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, July 29-

Pastor Nebel is on vacation through August 1

Friday, July 30-

7:15 p.m. St. John's students sing for Cardinals game at Busch Stadium

Saturday, July 31-

5 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Chloe Cowell

SUNDAY, August 1-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Summer Luttmann

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

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Addyson Piel

Noon Senior Youth gathering in the church basement lounge

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

Flowers on the pedestal in the chancel are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the 45th wedding anniversary of Bruce and Deitt Schneider on July 31st. Congratulations, thank you and God's blessings!

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: 351; Holy Communion: 178; Adults/Youth: 33 Sunday School: 0

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. 7/18- General: \$11,222.20; School: \$1,545. Automatic Giving: \$8,880. *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)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: *LCMS Stewardship Resources*

Ephesians 3:20 – "Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think ..." We often shortchange God by failing to remember what Paul says here: God can do far more than what we can think or ask. His power, and His love, are without bound and without measure. So why do we fear to follow His word? Isn't it in fact fear that keeps us back from a

life of joyous generosity and open-handedness? But God is able to do far more abundantly! So let us not be afraid to take the Lord at his Word and live according to it.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

A story about warring tribes and the peace which comes only through the giving of a son. Listen to “The Peace Child” (Ephesians 3) with Speaker Dr. Michael Ziegler 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).

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION:

We have returned to the distribution of the Lord’s Supper at the communion railing.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION:

We are holding 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.

SUMMER SINGERS:

“Our Summer Singers group will sing once more on August 1st (10:30 AM). We 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*

NEW SECRETARY IN THE OFFICE:

On Monday Leslie (Langrehr) Froemling has begun work in our office as the Pastoral Administrative Assistant. She grew up at St. John’s and is the daughter of Ken & Lori Langrehr. She replaces Julie Ratz who retired June 15.

CALLING FOR WORSHIP GREETERS:

We have resumed 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. We could use someone for the 5th Saturday evening of the month (thus only four times a year).

VOTERS ASSEMBLY MEETING IS JULY 28, 7 P.M.

Our quarterly Voters Assembly meeting will be in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, July 28 at 7 p.m. All confirmed members of St. John’s who are age 18 and older are voting members and encouraged to attend this meeting. Visitors are welcomed to join us also!

RUMMAGE SALE:

Rummage & Coffee Cake Sale Thursday-Saturday, July 29 & July 30 (8 a.m.-5 p.m.) & July 31 (8 a.m.-noon) at St. John Lutheran Church’s (Chester) Parish Hall selling fresh coffeecakes, clothes (men’s, women’s, children’s), toys, books, glassware, shoes, purses, household items, and knickknacks.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME!

St. John’s Lutheran school students (K-8) will sing “God Bless America” at the St. Louis Cardinals game on July 30th. The Cardinals will take on the Minnesota Twins that day at 7:15

p.m. If you wish to purchase tickets please contact Tammy Moll at 618-806-4026. The seats are in Section 130. Proceeds benefit the class of 2023 for their Washington DC trip!

CONCORDIA PUBLISHING HOUSE BIBLE SALE:

CPH has all the Bibles it sells on sale until July 31. A list is on the church bulletin board. Please call our church office (282-2394) by July 31 if you would like to order one of these discounted Bibles through CPH.

LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS:

Copies of a Daily Bible Reading Guide are in the entryway. This week's readings are: July 25th- Jeremiah 30:1-11; July 26th- Jeremiah 30:12-24; July 27th- Jeremiah 31:23-40; July 28th- Jeremiah 32:26-44; July 29th- Galatians 3:15-4:7; July 30th- Galatians 4:8-20; July 31st- Galatians 4:21-31.

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 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: Alice Smith, Jody Winkelmann; Ruma R&R- Fern Schnepel, Willard Uffelmann; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace- June Lawrence; Cedarhurst Memory Care, Waterloo- 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 Luttman, Jean Menke, Edna Moeller.

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 - 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 to 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)

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO Radio AM850 & kfuo.org, a media ministry of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM850 & kfuo.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 KFUE and kfu.org hear a missionary story from Kenya on The Coffee Hour 7/29 at 9:00 a.m., study Jeremiah 41-46 on Sharper Iron's "A Time to Destroy and a Time to Build" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), and study Nehemiah 9-13 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.). Find these programs on demand at kfu.org or on the KFUE Radio app!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

7/25- Jim Gilpatrick, Taylor Pensoneau, Owen Liefer, Harper Mounts; 7/26- Elda Seders, Anna Guebert, Melissa Cheek, Kailyn Moeller, Logan Donjon; 7/27- Wilma Schleifer, Maya Macbeth; 7/28- John Kellerhouse, Jean Niemeyer, Travis Krick, Kody Schoenbeck, Kendall Crafton, Annika Herriman; 7/29- Stephanie Liefer, Nicholas Voges, Hayden Mounts; 7/30- Adrienne Vallett, Preslie Kueker; 7/31- Chelsea Schrader, Tanner Valleroy, Kelly Pollard, Damon Renner. *Please call the office for corrections!*

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

When Buying Bread: Whole grain or 100% wheat are healthy choices but consider other healthier varieties for a change of pace. Sourdough bread has a low glycemic index (impact on blood sugar). It may also be easier to digest than other breads, possibly due to its prebiotics, as well as the probiotics created during the fermentation process.

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 Fellowship Hall.

+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 Fellowship Hall for a \$10 donation to our congregation's debt reduction.

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.

SUMMER MUSIC SERIES:

St. Peter UCC of Red Bud will host Terry Roberson at its Summer Music Series on Friday July 30, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the lot south of its church building. Bring your own drinks and lawn chairs. Food will be provided for a freewill offering.

LCMS FOUNDATION:

Have you created a "family blessing?" Have you added words to your will or trust that testify to our life in Jesus Christ, appealing to generations beyond, to believe in Jesus for the gift that is really life? Your LCMS Gift Planning Counselor can help you get started on writing those words, so that you might share them with family now, and making sure they are shared when

the Lord calls you home. This is your best legacy to construct. Contact Scott A. Radden at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org for more information.

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: Envy, Lutheran Composer Johann Sebastian Bach, 16th Century Lutheran Martyr Robert Barnes, Old Testament Prophet Isaiah and more. Tune in from 3-5 p.m. on KFUD 850 AM or listen at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app or your favorite podcast provider.

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!

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS DISTRICT Metro-East Y4Life Team:

What is Y4Life? A team of Gospel-motivated high school students who want to support life at all stages. Be ready for hands-on activities with other Lutheran schools. Learn to engage the public with your pro-life values. Involvement in servant events. Opportunities for virtual and in-person learning. A chance to attend January 2022 March for Life in Washington, DC. The date and location of First Organizational Meeting is August 17th at 4:30 p.m., Metro-East Lutheran High School, 6305 Center Grove Road, Edwardsville 62025. Youth group leaders and adults are welcome! For more information contact: Pam Meister at pmmeister@outlook.com or text 618-799-9348 or sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4daaaf2ba2f5cf8-y4life>

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

Rummage Sale: We are looking for volunteers to transport items to Savers in Fairview Heights on August 3. Looking for an enclosed trailer or multiple pickup trucks. Please contact the school office if you are interested in helping.

FFA: The FFA has geraniums for sale for \$5.00 each. If you are interested, please contact Lisa Luebke at 618-713-7125.

Band Instructor Wanted: Position available for a part-time band instructor at COS starting in August 2021. Contact the school for more details.

Summer Office Hours: Summer office hours will be Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.; Fridays, 9:00 a.m.- noon.

It's not too late! Registrations are still being accepted for all classes for 2021-2022. Financial aid based on need is available. For more information, check our website, www.coslhs.org, or contact the school office at 618-853-7300.

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

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Director of Christian Education and School Librarian – Mr. Bill Becker 282-2958

Secretaries – Mrs. Jessica Schloemann and Mrs. Leslie Froemling

Senior Youth – Terry and Susie Harms 618-201-5654

Matthew Foster, Principal, Christ Our Savior Lutheran High, 853-7300

Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Cindy Steele

Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz; Aide – Patty Schnepel

First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade and Junior Youth – 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

Chairman: Bruce Schneider Vice-Chairman: Darren Liefer

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Lutheran High School Board: Christina Gidley and Kathy Valleroy

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher and Liturgist Pastor Mark Nebel Organist: Mrs. Joan Ruwald

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia and Mark Moeller; (8 a.m.) Clyde and Kathy Rowold;

(10:30 a.m.) Jim and Judy Guebert

Lectors: (8 a.m.) Seminarian Wade Waterstreet; (10:30 a.m.) DCE Bill Becker

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Ayden Wiegard; (8 a.m.) Noah Kassing; (10:30 a.m.) Kendall Crafton

Video: Eric Fritsche Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Servers: Rebekah Liefer & Peggy Sitzes Paraments: Virginia Moeller