

The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
August 1 & 2, 2020

St. John's Lutheran Church
 Red Bud, Illinois

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PRELUDE: "O Day of Rest and Gladness" *arranged by Allan Mahnke*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH! We preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, administer the sacraments and provide Christian education in service to all people. We are especially happy that we have visitors with us today. St. John's is a congregation which follows the historic order of Christian worship. Even if you are not Lutheran, you may recognize many of the elements of worship from your own tradition. If you or your small child needs a space for privacy during the service, Room 1 in the Fellowship Hall has a TV with a video feed of our worship service. We ask everyone to sign our Friendship Register that is at the end of the pew. To honor the reverent nature of our worship, please silence and do not use your cell phones and pagers during this service. Thank you!

Opening Hymn: 906 "O Day of Rest and Gladness" (*stand for last stanza, "A-men."*)



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
 2 This day at earth's cre - a - tion The light first had its birth;
 3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, His Ho - ly Scrip - ture hear;
 4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, We walk the pil - grim way,



O balm of care and sad - ness, Most beau - ti - ful, most bright;
 This day for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
 His liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, Through bread and wine made near.
 At length our rest at - tain - ing, Our end - less Sab - bath day.



This day the high and low - ly, Through a - ges joined to bless,
 This day our Lord vic - to - rious The Spir - it sent from heav'n,
 We jour - ney on, be - liev - ing, Re - newed with heav'n - ly might,
 We sing to Thee our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



Sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," The tri - une God con - fess.
 And thus this day most glo - rious A three - fold light was giv'n.
 From grace more grace re - ceiv - ing, On this blest day of light.
 The Church her voice up - rais - es To Thee, blest Three in One.

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

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. C **Amen.**

Introit: Psalm 105



Give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on His name;

make known His deeds among the | peoples!

He spread a cloud for a | covering,

and fire to give | light by night.

They asked, and He | brought quail,

and gave them bread from heaven in a- | bundance.

He opened the rock, and water | gushed out;

flowing through the desert like a | river.

For He remembered His holy | promise,

and Abraham, His | servant.

So He brought His people | out with joy,

His chosen ones with | singing.

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Kyrie (*sung*)

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

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P Glory be to God on high: C **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

**O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
 O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
 For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you. C (*sung*) **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray together the Collect of the Day.

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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: Isaiah 55:1–5

“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to Me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to Me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, My steadfast, sure love for David. Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for He has glorified you.”

A 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: Romans 9:1–5

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish

that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen. A This is the Word of the Lord. C **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand if you are able Alleluia (sung)

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Matthew 14:13-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

C *(sung)* **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], He withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by Himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed Him on foot from the towns. When He went ashore He saw a great crowd, and He had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to Him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves."

But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to Him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And He said, "Bring them here to Me." Then He ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then He broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied.

And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C *(sung)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

(10:30 a.m.) The Apostles' Creed

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)*

(5 p.m. and 8 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)*

(10:30 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: (LSB 763)**

**When peace, like a riv-er, at-tend-eth my way; When sor-rows, like sea bil-lows roll;
What-ev-er my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well, with my soul.
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul), It is well, it is well with my soul.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: 789 "Praise and Thanksgiving"



1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, Fa - ther, we of - fer For all things
2 Bless, Lord, the la - bor We bring to serve You That with our
3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing Food for Your chil - dren, By Your wise



liv - ing, Cre - at - ed good: Har - vest of sown fields, Fruits of the
neigh - bor We may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, We would work
guid - ing Teach us to share One with an - oth - er, So that, re -



or - chard, Hay from the mown fields, Bloss - om and wood.
with You, Har - vest - ing, mill - ing For dai - ly bread.
joic - ing With us, all oth - ers May know Your care.

SERMON: “Christ Is Our Great Provider” Matthew 14:13-21

(Please stand if you are able) **Offertory** *(sung)*

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

HEALING AND COMFORT: Cecelia Lautenschlaeger, Doris Mueller, Wanda Steele, C. John Prigge, Ed Luttman, Curtis Hartmann, Gary Moeller, Larry Ebers, LuAnn Liefer, Lori Rees; *Family and Friends of St. John’s Members:* Lori Voges, Brenda Manning, Cheryl Zanders, Gena Triefenbach, Kent Henke, Ruth Ann Juelfs. A.J. Guebert, Angie Cloughly, Roger Drinnon, Sr., Daniel Snyder, Ruth Hecht, James Sitzes, Rev. Timothy Scharr, Evan Guebert. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: *(Please call with names.)* Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Nathan Koen, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, Jeremiah Brandt, Benjamin Boeder, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss, Joshua Cox; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Tailor Neuhaus, Josh Butterworth, Brent Knop, Keenan Turnure
+those suffering from the coronavirus and the effects of it on our society
+our nation as it continues to suffer from division, violence and unrest in our cities

Lord, You have bidden us to come without money to receive grace beyond price. Hear us as we heed Your call and turn to You in prayer, confident of Your promise to hear and answer us.

Brief silence

Father, we have sought meaning, comfort and sustenance from all the wrong places. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that our hearts may be turned to Your Word, that we may hunger for Your Son’s body and blood, and that we may discern truth from error. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, we give You thanks that You have blessed us beyond what we deserve and given to us Your Church. Guard her life by Your Spirit and strengthen her witness before the nations. Bless all pastors and church workers in their service to us in Your name and guide those now considering and preparing for church-work vocations. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, we too quickly focus on what we lack and not upon Your unlimited grace. Bless all relief agencies and services of Your Church on behalf of the hungry, the homeless, the hurting and those who have lost hope. Bless those visited by disaster and tragedy and open our hearts to help them recover from their loss. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, we are daily blessed to know abundance and freedom. Bless those who defend us from our enemies as members of our nation's military, those who serve us in government and those who protect us in our communities as law enforcement agents, emergency responders and healthcare workers. Be with our president, the Congress, our governor, and our judges and magistrates, that they may discern the right path and lead us with honor and integrity especially during this time of violence and civil unrest in our cities. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, we suffer with all manner of ills and afflictions. Hear us and grant to us healing according to Your will, strength in time of trial and peace at the last. We pray especially for Cecelia, Doris, Wanda, C. John, Ed, Gary, Larry, LuAnn, Lori, Lori, Brenda, Cheryl, Gena, Kent, Ruth, A.J., Angie, Roger, Daniel, Ruth, Jim, Rev. Scharr, Evan and all those we name in our hearts including all those suffering or recovering from the pandemic's ravages. Deliver us from this disease and teach us to depend upon Your grace in all things. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) Father, we know that Your steadfast love and mercy are forever, but our faith is daily tested and tempted. Give us strength and endurance, that we may not despair but have confidence in Your sufficient grace. Guide us to seek our consolation in Your Word and Sacraments and prepare us to receive the Lord's body and blood in this Holy Communion. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, we are daily and richly surrounded with Your love and care. Grant us eyes to see Your mercies new every morning and grateful hearts, that what we have received we may share with those in need and generously support the work of Your Church. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, we remember the saints who lived by Your mercy and died in Christ. We long for that day when all divisions will end and the Church in heaven and earth shall be one in Your presence, singing Your praise in Your kingdom without end. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, we ask You to grant us all things needful and to keep from us all things harmful to us and to our salvation for we trust Your wisdom and Your love. Teach us to pray without fear for Your will to be done and to do so in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

(10:30 a.m.) Non-Communion Service continues here

Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.**

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

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and (+) give you peace. **C (sung) A-men.**

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.

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WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION: In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of

congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The individual cups of white wine in the center of the cup tray contain non-alcoholic wine for those who prefer this. Place a finger to your lips if you prefer an individual cup. For more information about this sacrament, please see pages 326-327 and 329-330 of *Lutheran Service Book*.

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) Service of the Sacrament

Preface (*we sing the responses*)

P The Lord be with you. C **And with thy spirit.**
 P Lift up your hearts. C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
 P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
 C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, 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 out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us 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

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
 Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Lord's Prayer

P 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.

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

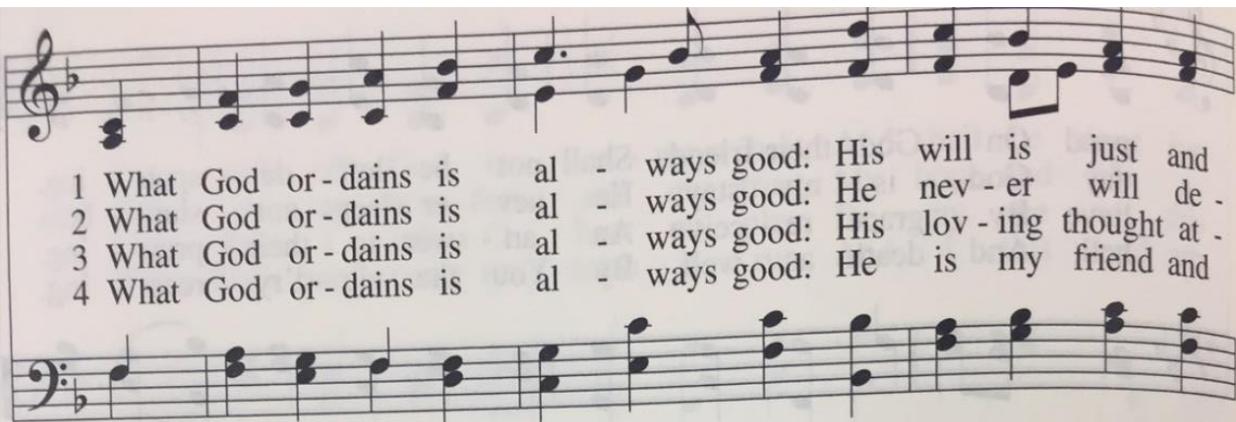
The Words of Our Lord and Pax Domini

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

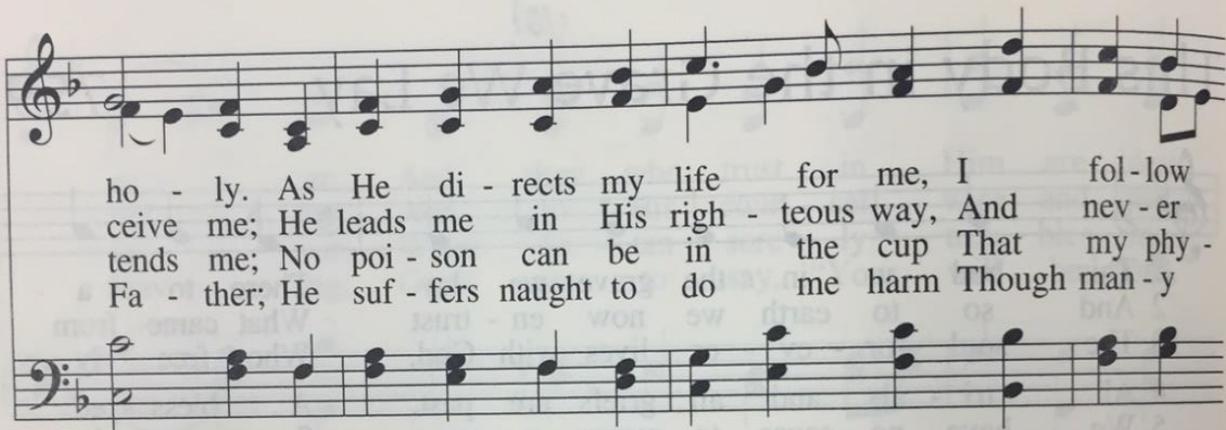
Agnus Dei

C **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.** (*please be seated*)

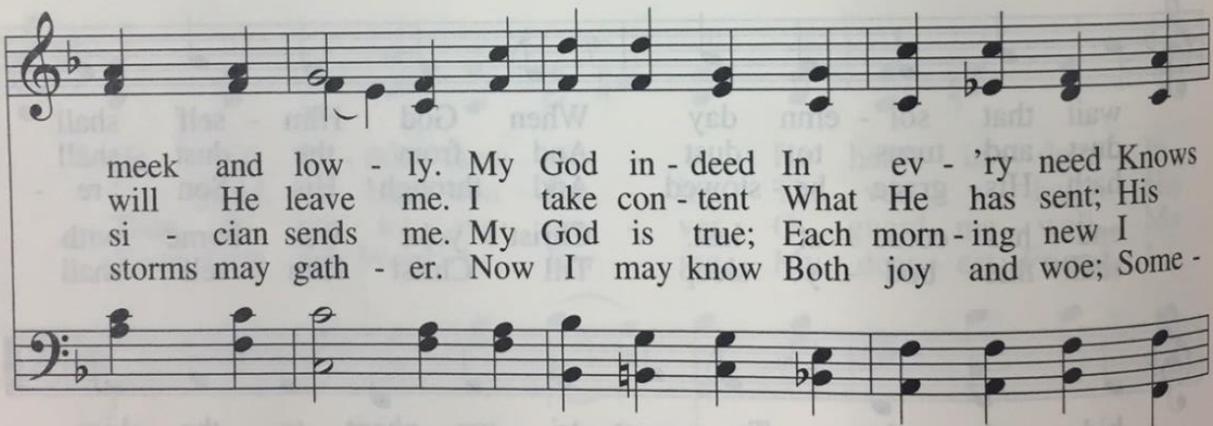
Distribution Hymn: 760 "What God Ordains Is Always Good"



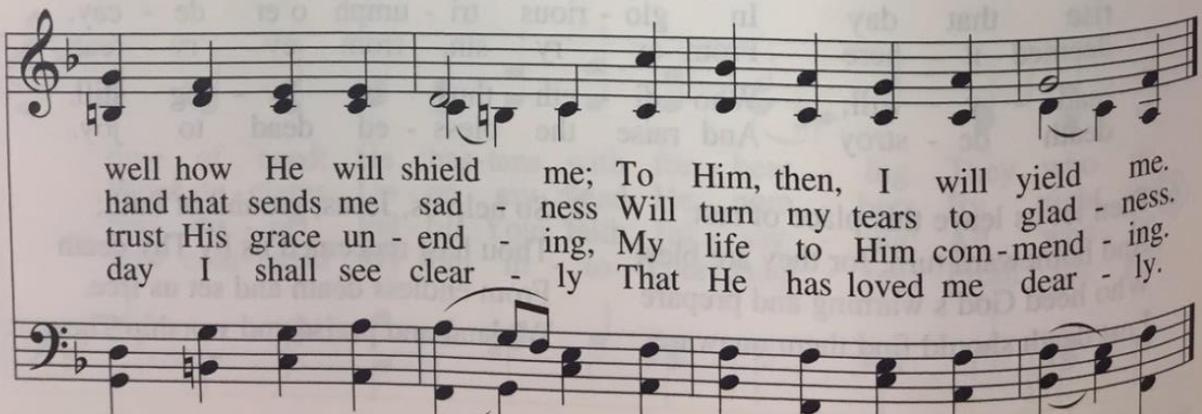
1 What God or-dains is al - ways good: His will is just and
 2 What God or-dains is al - ways good: He nev - er will de -
 3 What God or-dains is al - ways good: His lov - ing thought at -
 4 What God or-dains is al - ways good: He is my friend and



ho - ly. As He di - rects my life for me, I fol - low
 ceive me; He leads me in His righ - teous way, And nev - er
 tends me; No poi - son can be in the cup That my phy -
 Fa - ther; He suf - fers naught to do me harm Though man - y



mEEK and low - ly. My God in - deed In ev - 'ry need Knows
 will He leave me. I take con - tent What He has sent; His
 si - cian sends me. My God is true; Each morn - ing new I
 storms may gath - er. Now I may know Both joy and woe; Some -



well how He will shield me; To Him, then, I will yield me.
 hand that sends me sad - ness Will turn my tears to glad - ness.
 trust His grace un - end - ing, My life to Him com - mend - ing.
 day I shall see clear - ly That He has loved me dear - ly.

**What God or-dains is al-ways good: Though I the cup am drink-ing
Which sa-vors now of bit-ter-ness, I take it with-out shrink-ing.
For af-ter grief God gives re-lief,
My heart with com-fort fill-ing And all my sor-row still-ing.**

**What God or-dains is al-ways good: This truth re-mains un-shak-en.
Though sor-row, need, or death be mine, I shall not be for-sak-en.
I fear no harm, For with His arm
He shall em-brace and shield me; So to my God I yield me.**

Distribution Hymn: 628 “Your Table I Approach”



1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.
2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;
3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.
A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.
Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.
God can ac - com - pish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

5 O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.

6 Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

Distribution Hymn: 822 “Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! To God the Fa -
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to the Lamb
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to the Ho -
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to our tri -



ther let us bring Our songs of ad - o - ra - tion.
 of God we sing, In whom we are e - lect - ed.
 ly Ghost we sing For our re - gen - er - a - tion.
 une God we sing; Blest be His name for - ev - er!



To Him through ev - er - last - ing days Be wor - ship, hon -
 He bought His Church with His own blood, He cleansed her in
 The sav - ing faith in us He wrought And us un - to
 With an - gel hosts let us a - dore And sing His prais -



or, pow'r, and praise, Whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.
 that bless - ed flood, And as His bride se - lect - ed.
 the Bride-groom brought, Made us His cho - sen na - tion.
 es ev - er - more For all His grace and fa - vor!



Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;
 Ho - ly, ho - ly Is our u - nion And com - mu - nion.
 Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, Bliss su - per - nal;
 Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;



Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.
 His be - friend - ing Gives us joy and peace un - end - ing.
 There is man - na And an end - less, glad ho - san - na.
 Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry!

(Please stand if you are able) **Nunc Dimittis** *(sung)*

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C *(sung)* **and His mercy endureth forever.**

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 *(sung)* **Amen.**

Salutation, Benedicamus and Benediction

P The Lord be with you. **C** *(sung)* **And with thy spirit.**

P Bless we the Lord. **C** *(sung)* **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and (+) give you peace.

C *(sung)* **Amen, amen, 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.

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- 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: “Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”

arranged by Steve Wentz

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This Week With Our Lord, August 2-9, 2020

SUNDAY, August 2-

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Divine Service (live-streamed on Facebook)
Noon Senior Youth Gathering in the church basement hangout

Monday, August 3-

- 9:00 a.m. Faculty meeting
7:00 p.m. Board of Elders meeting

Tuesday, August 4-

- 12:30 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Board of Parish Education meeting

Wednesday, August 5-

- 9:00 a.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting
7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Judges)

Thursday, August 6-

- 8:00 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Luke)
9:00 a.m. Faculty meeting in the school library

Saturday, August 8-

- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Blake Henry Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller

SUNDAY, August 9-

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Jacob Kuehner Greeters: John and Norma Preston
9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Acolyte: Karson Liefer (live on Facebook)

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

There is power in doing good works for the sake of others, but that kind of civic righteousness can't compare with the perfect righteousness of God which covers us through faith in Jesus Christ. In a classic radio message, Dr. Oswald Hoffmann shares the power of Christ's resurrection that overcomes death. It is "Archives August." Listen to “Christ’s Resurrection

Makes Everything New” (Philippians 3:7-12) on KFUE AM 850 Sunday at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. (KSIV 1320 AM or 91.5 FM).

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: 244; Holy Communion: 59; Adult Bible Class: 28

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. 7/26- General Fund: \$10,647.20; School- \$3,105; Automatic Giving- \$2,665. *“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*

Matt. 14:17-18 – “They said to Jesus, ‘We have only five loaves here and two fish.’ And He said, ‘Bring them here to Me.’” When the disciples held on to the five loaves and two fish, that’s exactly what they had. But when they handed them over to the Lord, the multitudes were fed. Apart from Jesus all we do and all we have is nothing. But, in Jesus, all we do and have is blessed to be used by the Lord for His gracious work.

EPISTLES:

The August edition of our newsletter, The Epistle, is available in paper copy in the entryway. It is on our website and has been emailed to everyone for whom Pastor Nebel has an address.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS:

Sunday morning Adult Bible Class continues this weekend between services, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We are studying the New Testament book of Acts. Coffee and refreshments are being served.

STAFFING CHANGES:

Pastor Russell Koen has retired from active ministry as of July 31. We wish him God’s richest blessings on his retirement. The Board of Elders is planning a reception for him on Sunday, September 13. Watch for further details as they are planned. As of August 1, Mr. Bill Becker began duties as our Director of Christian Education. Mrs. Cindy Nebel will teach 4th grade this year. Mrs. Patty Schnepel will assist Mrs. Schmitz as an aide in the Kindergarten classroom.

GUEST PREACHER:

Pastor and Cindy Nebel are in Wayne, Nebraska for their niece’s wedding. This weekend we welcome as our guest preacher, Rev. Clifford Adair, a Baldwin native and recently retired from a Lutheran congregation in Pipestone, Minnesota. On September 1, he will begin his service to us as our part-time Assistant to the Pastor with duties of preaching and visitation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS:

Sunday School teachers will meet on Monday, August 10, at 7 p.m. in the school library to plan Rally Day activities and the new year of Christian education in our Sunday School.

LILYFIELDS MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:

St. John's member Joan Voges is offering the latest, and last, music CD from her Lilyfields Collection to us for a donation to our school's ministry. "Peter's Song" tells the story of Jesus through the eyes of His disciple Peter. The seven tracks of this CD include beautiful narrations from the late Chris Bergmann along with Joan's texts and tunes. Please see Joan after worship today to pick up a copy of this compact disc.

DANKE SCHOEN! (aka Thank you!):

"A big thank you to all of you who remembered me with your cards, gifts and best wishes on my 90th birthday. God has been very good to me these 90 years. I was blessed with wonderful parents, T.J. and Bertha Koch; 11 siblings; a good, kind and loving husband Ron (now sainted); and our wonderful and caring children and their spouses; super grandchildren and their spouses, and our great-grandchildren (3 and counting). Last, but not least, is my wonderful church family of fellow Christians here at St. John's. God is very good. Thank you, Lord, and thank all of you. God bless all of you!" *Eunice Snyder*

COLLEGE CAMPUS MINISTRIES:

Recent data from the Synod's Office on Youth Ministry confirms that we lose many young people when they move away from home for college. Lutheran Student Ministry aims to provide opportunities for Bible study and pastoral care to students during this time of transition. Our district has campus ministries at both SIU campuses. Immanuel Lutheran Church in St. Charles, Missouri is organizing a campus ministry known as the Lutheran Student Union at nearby Lindenwood University with Vicar Kurt Hellweg. Our college-student members are invited to call our office for help in connecting with a Lutheran campus ministry for the college they will be attending.

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. If you would like to serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact Vickie at 618/521-7417 or dvheller@htc.net. Call the church 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).

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Virginia Bahr, Melba Liefer, 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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:

Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer and Neva Liefer, Vernon and Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Dr. Paul Schrieber, Gloria Stellhorn, Wilma Stellhorn, Norma Vogt, Arlin and Helen Winkelman

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Kathryn Chunn, Larry Ebers, Don and Betty Fausz, Willie Guebert, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth Koester, Donald Kueker, Joyce Lopez, Jean Menke, Edna Moeller, Elda Seders.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

8/2- David Donjon, Jacqueline Roy, Jennifer Roscow, Melissa Doeding, Alicia Stellhorn, Brooke Moses; 8/3- Jan Glasscock, Brian Meyer, Nicole Liefer, Alex Grohmann, Joshua Snyder, Mallory VanDorn; 8/4- Sharon Brown, Diane Muench, Kambri Moffitt, Konnor Stellhorn, Emmett Heller, Raelynn Stenzel, Theo Sutton; 8/5- Hollis Wolfmeier, Nolan Liefer; 8/6- Lou Ann Gerlach, Harold VanHoy; Craig Althoff, Ron Schweizer, Elizabeth Voges, Jamie Korando, Jennifer Preston, Cody Koch; 8/7- Vince Gunter, Lisa Millmann, Ryan Herriman, Kinley Bowles, Benjamin Langrehr; 8/8- Barbara Korves, Vickie Heller, Wayne Husemann, Greg Guebert, Mark Ruebusch, Elizabeth Cowell, Briana Becker. *Please call the office for additions or corrections!*

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO Radio, AM850 & kfuo.org, a media ministry extension 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 kfuo.org and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUO.org, Facebook, [Twitter](https://twitter.com/kfuo), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuo). This week on KFUO AM850 & kfuo.org, study Judges 14-17 on Sharper Iron's "Rebellion and Rescue" mini-series (weekdays at 8 a.m.), study the scriptures in the August Lutheran Witness with Pastor Weslie Odom on The Coffee Hour (8/7 at 9 a.m.), and study the Epitome of the Formula of Concord with Pastor Matt Richard and host Pastor Sean Smith on Concord Matters (8/4 at 2 p.m.). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org.

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: The Socialist Temptation, The Vocation of Singleness, Myrrhbearers Joanna, Mary and Salome, Religious Liberty and more. Tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis. Listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300

Be a Soldier! Registrations are still being accepted for all classes for 2020-2021. The first day of classes is August 18. For more information, contact Matthew Foster, mfoster@coslhs.org or call the school office. **School Hours:** Regular office hours have resumed. The office will be open Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director (6th-8th) – Justin Palm

Resource Teacher – Lara Vause

Custodians – Alan Ohms, 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, and Geraldine Thompson

Church Council

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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Clifford Adair Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia and Mark Moeller Lector: (8 a.m.) Seminarian Wade Waterstreet

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Cadin Voss; (8 a.m.) Austin Kiefer; (10:30 a.m.) Claire Diewald

Video: Eric Fritsche Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Servers: Lisa Quinn and Jennifer Roscow Paraments: Irma Birkner

BIBLE STUDIES:

Check our website under the Media tab for Bible studies that you can do on your own. The topics so far are Amen, Angels, Antichrist, Apostles, Apostolic Preaching of the Resurrection, Baptism Q & A, Barnabas, Church and Homosexuality, Communications Skills, Cremation, Christian Citizenship, Discussing Homosexuality, Ecclesiastes, End of the World, God's Will in the Lives of His People, Haggai, Having the Right Attitude, Heaven, The Justice of God, Justification and Sanctification, Islam, Live By the Spirit, Malachi, Meditation, Philemon, Purses, Was Jesus a Vegetarian?, Word Dwellers, and more to come!

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

“I can't afford this baby.” None of us can. Only He Who sends the mouths sends their meat. And He has shown both ability and willingness to conjure it out of thin air when necessary (Matthew 14:20). If He doesn't use our profound poverties as excuse for executions, how can we allow it for anyone else? Christians have better ideas than abortion. Fund food pantries. Staff pregnancy help centers. We take it seriously when Jesus says, “You give them something to eat” (Matthew 14:16).

PARISH NURSE NOTE: from LCMS *Better Health*
Get a Gut Check with Bacteria: