

The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost
August 22 & 23, 2020

St. John's Lutheran Church
 Red Bud, Illinois

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PRELUDE: "Joyous Day!" *arranged by John Leavitt*

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: 940 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"



1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
 3 Lo, the a - pos - tles' ho - ly train Join Thy sa - cred
 4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet



bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,
 above are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy
 In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with
 And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low, And from morn to
 As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.
 sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.
 bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.

Please stand if you are able

5 Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
 Though in essence only one, Undivided God we claim Thee
 And, adoring, bend the knee While we own the mystery. A-men.

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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: Psalms 2, 115, 117



But we will | bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. | Praise the LORD!

As for me, I have | set My King on Zion, My | holy hill.

I will tell of | the decree: The LORD / said to me,

“You / are My Son; today I have be- | gotten you.”

Praise the LORD, all | nations! Extol Him, all | peoples!

For great is His steadfast | love toward us,

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. | Praise the LORD!

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.

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, 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 51:1–6

“Listen to Me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. For the LORD comforts Zion; He comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.”

“Give attention to Me, My people, and give ear to Me, My nation; for a law will go out from Me, and I will set My justice for a light to the peoples. My righteousness draws near, My salvation has gone out, and My arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for Me, and for My arm they wait. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but My salvation will be forever, and My righteousness will never be dismayed.” A This is the Word of the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual

Fear the LORD, you His saints, **for those who fear Him lack nothing!**
 Many are the afflictions of the righteous, **but the LORD delivers him out of them all.**

The Epistle Reading: Romans 11:33-12:8

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways! “For who has known the mind of the Lord, or

who has been His counselor?” “Or who has given a gift to Him that he might be repaid?” For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.

For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

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 16:13-20

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

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

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” Then He strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that He was the Christ.

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

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) The Apostles' Creed

C 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 T everlasting. Amen.**

(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. and 8 a.m.) **Children's Message Song**

Come, let us worship the Lord together, let us sing His praise forevermore.

When the family of God comes together, we love to sing His praise forevermore.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, hosanna to the King!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, hosanna to the King!

HYMN OF THE DAY: 848 "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"



1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice Bore the weight of
 2 Still Your chil - dren wan - der home - less; Still the hun - gry
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, Till Your love's re -
 4 Called by wor - ship to Your ser - vice, Forth in Your dear



hu - man need, Who up - on the cross, for - sak - en,
 cry for bread; Still the cap - tives long for free - dom;
 veal - ing light In its height and depth and great - ness,
 name we go, To the child, the youth, the a - ged,



Of - fered mer - cy's per - fect deed, We, Your ser - vants, bring the
 Still in grief we mourn our dead. As, O Lord, Your deep com -
 Dawns up - on our quick - ened sight, Mak - ing known the needs and
 Love in liv - ing deeds to show; Hope and health, good - will and



wor - ship Not of voice a - lone, but heart, Con - se -
 pas - sion Healed the sick and freed the soul, Use the
 bur - dens Your com - pas - sion bids us bear, Stir - ring
 com - fort, Coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, That Your



crat - ing to Your pur - pose Ev - 'ry gift that You im - part.
 love Your Spir - it kin - dles Still to save and make us whole.
 us to tire - less striv - ing, Your a - bun - dant life to share.
 ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom May Your mer - cy know and live.

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SERMON: "The Divine Service: Word"

- I. The Invocation
- II. The Confession and Absolution
- III. The Introit, Kyrie, Hymn of Praise and Collect
- IV. The Bible Readings and Sermon
- V. The Confession of Faith and Prayers

(8 a.m.) **Re-Dedication of Faculty and Staff**

(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: Edna Moeller, Cecelia Lautenschlaeger, Doris Mueller, Wanda Steele, C. John Prigge, Ed Luttman, Curtis Hartmann, Charles Guebert, Gary Moeller, Larry Ebers, Cliff Crafton, Lori Rees, JoAnna Ellner; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Lori Voges, Brenda Manning, Cheryl Zanders, Angie Cloughly, Roger Drinnon, Sr., James Sitzes, Rev. Timothy Scharr, Agatha Reinhardt, Lola Seibold, Vic Mohr. *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
+the family of St. John's member Floyd Lautenschlaeger who died in the Lord on Sunday
+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

Having heard the Word proclaimed, let us pray for ourselves, for all the faithful and for all people as they have need. *Brief silence*

For all people, that they may have faith in Christ and heed the voice of God calling by His Word; for the Church, that the people of God may pursue righteousness with peace and joy in their hearts; and for all pastors and their ministry of Word and Sacrament and for all vocations to the ministry, that the lives of God's people may celebrate His praise and glory, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our president, Congress, governor and all civic leaders in their pursuit of peace and unity; for all judges and magistrates in their pursuit of justice with mercy; and for those who protect us from violence and preserve order here as law enforcement and emergency responders and everywhere as members of our nation's armed forces, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all noble professions; for favorable weather and the fruits of the earth; for those unemployed, the poor, the homeless, the hungry and all people in need; for all families and children, single adults and youth; for those who teach and those who learn, that they may advance in wisdom and grace; and for the catechumens and those who teach the faith to them, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For victims of disaster and for those stricken by illness or infirmity, including the COVID-19 pandemic and all those threatened by it; for the aged and infirm, as well as those in nursing homes and assisted living facilities; *and especially for those who have requested our prayers* Edna, Cecelia, Doris, Wanda, C. John, Ed, Curtis, Charles, Gary, Larry, Cliff, Lori, JoAnna, Lori, Brenda, Cheryl, Angie, Roger, James, Rev. Scharr, Agatha, Lola, Vic, and those we name in our hearts, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who grieve the loss of those whom they love, remembering those who mourn Floyd's earthly passing, thankful for the many blessings our Lord bestowed upon him during his long life of faith in Jesus as his Savior, and grateful for the loving care Jesus showed to Floyd by calling him peacefully from this valley of the shadow of death and into His heavenly presence, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our faithful support of the Church and the renewal of our parish life through the Means of Grace; *(10:30 a.m.)* [for our communion this day upon the life-giving body and blood of Christ]; and for our growth in grace, that we may attain to the full stature of Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Be merciful to us, O Lord, and hear our prayers. Grant to us the grace of Your Holy Spirit, that we may be led into all truth and be steadfast in the confession of Christ; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

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. For more information about this sacrament, please see pages 326-327 and 329-330 of *Lutheran Service Book*.

(10:30 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 (*sung*)

**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,but deliver us from evil.

(*sung*) **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. A-men.**

The Words of Our Lord and Pax Domini

P ...The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** (*sung*) **A-men.**

Agnus Dei (*sung*)

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. A-men. (please be seated)**

Distribution Hymn: 795 "Voices Raised to You We Offer"

1 Voic - es raised to You we of - fer; Tune them, God, for
2 All cre - a - tion joins to praise You; Earth and sky Your
3 Christ, the song of Love in - car - nate, Touch - ing earth with
4 Spir - it, flam - ing through cre - a - tion, Kin - dle faith with -



songs of praise. Hearts and hands we bring in trib - ute
works dis - play. Art and mu - sic, gifts You lend us,
heav - en's grace, For Your liv - ing, suf - f'ring, dy - ing,
in each heart. Lift our voic - es high in cho - rus;



For Your gifts through all our days. Al - le - lu - ia!
We re - turn to You to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
For Your ris - ing, hear our praise! Al - le - lu - ia!
Through our hands Your love im - part. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to You we sing!
Al - le - lu - ia! God, Cre - a - tor, source of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, Re - deem - er, Lord of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Spir - it, Help - er, breath of life!

5 How can any praise we offer Measure all the thanks we owe?
 Take our hearts and hands and voices— Gifts of love we can bestow.
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Triune God, to You we sing!

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Distribution Hymn: 818 “In Thee Is Gladness”



1 In Thee is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus,
 2 Since He is ours, _____ We fear no pow - ers, Not of



sun - shine of my heart. By Thee are giv - en The gifts of
 earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es In worst dis -



heav - en, Thou the true Re - deem - er art. Our souls Thou
 tress - es; He can change them with a breath. Where - fore the



wak - est, Our bonds Thou break - est; Who trusts Thee sure - ly Has built se -
 sto - ry Tell of His glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -



cure - ly; He stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are
 joic - es In Him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for



pin - ing To see Thy shin - ing, Dy - ing or liv - ing
 glad - ness, Tri - umph o'er sad - ness, Love Him and praise Him



To Thee are cleav - ing; Naught can us sev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!
 And still shall raise Him Glad hymns for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!

Distribution Hymn: 631 “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face”



1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
 2 Here would I feed up - on the bread of God,
 3 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;
 4 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need



Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;
 Here drink with Thee the roy - al wine of heav'n;
 This is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread for me;
 An - oth - er arm but Thine to lean up - on.



Here grasp with firm - er hand the e - ter - nal grace,
 Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,
 Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long
 It is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;



And all my wea - ri - ness up - on Thee lean.
 Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n.
 The brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with Thee.
 My strength is in Thy might, Thy might a - lone.

5 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;
 Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
 Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:
 Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.

6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;
 The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
 The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;
 Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.

7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
 Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
 Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
 The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love. Public domain

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 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 (*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: 527 “O Savior, Precious Savior”

1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, Whom yet un - seen we love;
 2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, Who won - drous - ly hast wrought
 3 In Thee all full - ness dwell - eth, All grace and pow'r di - vine;
 4 O grant the con - sum - ma - tion Of this our song a - bove



O name of might and fa - vor, All oth - er names a - bove,
 Thy - self the rev - e - la - tion Of love be - yond our thought,
 The glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is Thine.
 In end - less ad - o - ra - tion And ev - er - last - ing love;



We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where per - fect prais - es ring,



We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our ho - ly Lord and King.
 We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our gra - cious Lord and King.
 We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our glo - rious Lord and King.
 And ev - er - more con - fess Thee, Our Sav - ior and our King!

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THE POSTLUDE: “Voices Raised to You, We Offer” *arranged by Scott Hyslop*

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This Week With Our Lord, August 23-30, 2020

SUNDAY, August 23 -

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

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

9:30 a.m. Sunday School Rally Day outside of school (weather permitting)

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion (live-streamed on Facebook)

11:00 a.m. Class of 2021 BBQ in the school parking lot

Tuesday, August 25-

12:30 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, August 26-

8:30 a.m. Chapel Service (Grades 3-8) with Mr. Becker

9:00 a.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Office Staff meeting

2:15 and 2:30 p.m. Public School Confirmation classes in the Fellowship Hall.

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Ruth)

Thursday, August 27-

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

4:30 p.m. Estate Fund Committee meeting

Friday, August 28-

8:30 a.m. Chapel Service (Preschool thru 2nd Grade)

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lifeline Screening in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, August 29-

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Sam Wright

SUNDAY, August 30-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Connor Jordan

9:30 a.m. Sunday School in the new gym and Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion (live on Facebook) Acolyte: Isaac Moll

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

How do you compare to your next-door neighbor, your brother-in-law, or the person you were five years ago? Comparing ourselves against God's requirements can prompt us to turn in

repentant faith to Jesus, the Savior beyond compare. It is "Archives August." Listen to "A Wrong Comparison" (Luke 18:9-14) with former Speaker Dr. Wallace Schulz 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: 285; Holy Communion: 161; Adult Bible Class: 27

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. 8/16- General Fund: \$17,081.25; School-\$640. *"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*

Matthew 16:27 – "For the Son of Man is going to come with His angels in the glory of His Father, and then He will repay each person according to what he has done." St. Paul talks about rewards on the Last Day in 1 Corinthians 3, and Jesus says more about this "repaying" in Matthew 19:27-30. Bottom line: Your good works can't buy you heaven, but in Christ your good works do matter. They are pleasing to your Heavenly Father, and they will be rewarded. In other words, our sacrifices for the Lord's Kingdom are not in vain, and they are not unnoticed by your Father. This should encourage you in your faithfulness.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of St. John's member Floyd Lautenschlaeger who died in the Lord on Sunday at the age of 94 years and 10 months. He received his Christian burial at his former congregation, Zion Lutheran in Mascoutah, with Pastor Nebel preaching the sermon. Thanks be to God for His gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Rally Day will be held this Sunday outside (weather permitting) behind the school building (use E. S. 6th Street as the drop-off and pick-up point). Classes will begin in the new gym and lobby on Sunday the 30th.

SECRET ANGELS:

With a new school year starting our 8th grade students (day school and public school) are in need of a few more Secret Angels. These are people who will pray for them, give them notes to encourage them in their confirmation studies and bless them with small gifts on a regular basis and special presents and major occasions. Your identity will be revealed to them at the Rite of

Confirmation. Please contact Pastor Nebel if you are interested in serving in this way. He will be able to provide you with an information form that the students have completed.

DAY SCHOOL GRADE TOTALS:

Kdg.-8TH: 166; Daycare: 87 (including preschool students); Preschool total- 34 (3-year-old: 15; 4-year-old: 19); Kindergarten (Mrs. Schmitz): 20; 1st Grade (Mrs. Miller): 13; 2nd Grade (Mrs. Liefer): 22; 3rd Grade (Mrs. Valleroy): 18; 4th Grade (Mrs. Nebel): 12; 5th Grade (Mrs. Letcher): 16; 6th Grade (Mrs. Schnepel): 24; 7th Grade (Mrs. Whelan): 17; 8th Grade (Mr. Palm): 24.

STAFF RE-DEDICATION/YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNITION:

In our early Sunday service we will have our annual Staff Re-dedication. Following the service we will recognize milestone years of service. To St. John's: Jessica Schloemann (5 years); Alan Ohms (5 years); Jennifer Pfannebecker (10 years); Jill Gross (10 years); Justin Palm (10 years); Darlene Letcher (15 years); Pam Henry (20 years). To The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, Pastor Mark Nebel (30 years).

PUBLIC SCHOOL CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION:

Public School Confirmation classes will begin Wednesday, August 26 at church. Pastor Nebel's 7th/8th grade class meets from 2:15 to 3:30 p.m. in Room 2. Mr. Becker's 6th grade class meets from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the main area of the Fellowship Hall. Please wear a mask. A snack and drink can be brought. We will be able to social distance ourselves.

MUM SALE:

The 8th grade class of 2021 is selling mums!! The open sale will take place on Saturday, September 12, 8 a.m.-noon in the school parking lot. You can also pre-order mums and pickup on Friday, September 11 from 2:30 p.m.-7 p.m. Colors available are purple, bronze, white, red and yellow. Mums are \$8 each. If you have questions or would like to place an order please contact Karen Liefer @ 618-357-1695.

LIFELINE SCREENING:

The rescheduled Lifeline Screening will be held in our Fellowship Hall this Friday, August 28. Please remain in your vehicle in the back parking lot until the time of your appointment in order to avoid having extra people in the building. Thank you!

CONGRATULATIONS!:

St. John's member, St. John's Lutheran School alumnus and Red Bud High School senior Dylan Roscow earned a perfect composite score of 36 on the ACT examination he took this summer. Less than one-half of one percent of high school students who take this test earn this score. More on his achievement can be read on the front of this week's *North County News*.

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.

SCHOOL HANDBOOK ADDITION:

Our Board of Elders approved this policy and the Board of Parish Education approved the following addition to our school handbook:

Members of St. John's Lutheran Church whose children attend St. John's Lutheran School under non-tuition member status do so with the intent and desire to have their children educated in the Christian faith so as to take part in the Rite of Confirmation and become communicant members of St. John's Lutheran Church. Parents who do not wish their children to participate in the Rite of Confirmation at St. John's Lutheran Church will enroll their children as tuition-paying students.

COLLEGE STUDENT MINISTRY:

+ LCMS-U at SIU-Edwardsville is equipped and excited to serve your young people. Anchored in Christ and supported by the Southern Illinois District through Trinity Lutheran in Edwardsville, LCMS-U at SIUE provides a church home-away-from-home, a weekly Bible study on campus, and (when circumstances allow) regular opportunities for fun and fellowship all around the St. Louis Metropolitan area. This semester's Bible study topic is "Did He Really Say That? A Study of Jesus' Teachings." If your congregation is sending any students to SIUE this school year, please let us know! You can send their name and contact information to biermannje@csl.edu, or you can give me a call directly at (314) 255-8066. *Rev. Jess Biermann* +Our DCE, Mr. Bill Becker, is seeking addresses for all our college-aged students to send them a care package from our Senior Youth. His email is becker@stjohnsredbud.org Let us connect our church to these students near or far! The deadline for submitting information is September 18 so supplies can be bought and assembled at our October Senior Youth meeting.

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, Gloria Stellhorn, 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, 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!:

8/23- Alex Adams, Jenna Salger; 8/24- Amy Minemann, Samantha Lucht, Blake Horrell; 8/25- Daniel Rahn, Matthew Liefer, Megan Laurent, Kortney Moll, Lara Voss, Jacob Liefer; 8/26- Trent Minemann; 8/27- Bob Carnahan, Ron Schleifer, Kelsie McDaniel, Devin Chandler; 8/28- Darlene Lohman, Ray Kaaz, Steven Hanebutt, Kourtney Meier, Austin Stellhorn; 8/29- Aubrey Valleroy. *Please call the office for 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 KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org, begin studying the book of Proverbs on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.), begin the book of 1 Samuel on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), and dig into curious theological topics on Cross Defense with Pastor Tyrel Bramwell (8/24 at 2 p.m.). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org or wherever you get your podcasts.

ISSUES, ETC.:

MATTHEW BIBLE STUDY... LCMS Pastor Will Weedon is leading a Bible study on the Book of Matthew. The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville. This week's teachings include: Divorce, Oaths, Retaliation, Loving Your Enemies and Giving to the Needy. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, on your favorite podcast provider and on the LPR mobile app.

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

Christians do not hide behind personal choice. We rejoice in community rather than autonomy (Romans 12:4-5). Our Heavenly Father has given us the privilege of receiving the unborn and the aged as neighbors. Our Lord and Savior gives us the responsibility of serving as brothers and sisters to those experiencing surprise pregnancies and terminal diagnoses. Instead of “my body, my choice,” we get to delight in “my body, my gift!” (Romans 12:1).

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300

2020-2021: The new school year has begun. We are blessed to be able to see our students again. Join us in praying for the health and safety of all staff and students.

School Visitors: To help us follow Illinois COVID guidelines, we request that visitors to COS make an appointment for any visits or other deliveries. Face coverings are required for entry into the school until Illinois changes its COVID mandates. We are asking for your patience, prayers and understanding as we strive to do our very best to protect our students, faculty, staff, and you.

School Hours: Regular office hours have resumed. The office will be open Monday thru Friday 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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Athletic Director – Justin Palm 214-1103 Secretaries - Julie Ratz & Jessica Schloemann

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

Junior Youth -- Lisa Quinn and Jennifer Roscow 282-5343

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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

Chairman: Bruce Schneider Vice-Chairman: Gary Buatte

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Lutheran High School Board: Lisa Quinn and Christina Gidley

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

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

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia and Mark Moeller

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Chase Lucht; (8 a.m.) Dylan Minemann; (10:30 a.m.) Dustin Salger

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!

PARISH NURSE NOTE: from LCMS *Better Health*