

St. John's Lutheran Church  
May 22-23, 2021

*The Day of Pentecost*

Red Bud, Illinois  
5 p.m. 8 & 10:30 a.m.

**THE FESTIVAL ORDER OF WORSHIP**

The Prelude: "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord" *arranged by Georg Philip Telemann*

The Ringing of the Bell calls us to reverent worship.

The Invocation: *(Please stand if you are able.)*

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

**C: Amen. All praises be to our Triune God!**

P: The Spirit of the Lord fills the world with God's grace telling us of our Father's love for us through His Son, Jesus. Alleluia!

**C: We rejoice in the mercy our God has shown us. Alleluia!**

The Processional Hymn: 497 "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord"



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, God and Lord, With all Your grac - es  
2 Come, ho - ly Light, guide di - vine, Now cause the Word of  
3 Come, ho - ly Fire, com - fort true, Grant us the will Your



now out - poured On each be - liev - er's mind and heart;  
life to shine. Teach us to know our God a - right  
work to do And in Your ser - vice to a - bide;



Your fer - vent love to them im - part. Lord, by the  
And call Him Fa - ther with de - light. From ev - 'ry  
Let tri - als turn us not a - side. Lord, by Your



bright - ness of Your light In ho - ly faith Your Church u - nite;  
er - ror keep us free; Let none but Christ our mas - ter be  
pow'r pre - pare each heart, And to our weak - ness strength im - part



From ev - 'ry land and ev - 'ry tongue This to Your  
That we in liv - ing faith a - bide, In Him, our  
That brave - ly here we may con - tend, Through life and



praise, O Lord, our God, be sung: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Lord, with all our might con - fide. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
death to You, our Lord, as - cend. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Our Confession and God's Absolution:

P: By the power of the Holy Spirit at work in us we see our many sins and bring them before You: **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: By the power of the Holy Spirit we trust in You to forgive our sins because of the death of Jesus for us: **C: Christ, have mercy.**

P: By the power of the Holy Spirit we live as the forgiven body of Christ to serve one another in love. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Our heavenly Father has had mercy on us and has given His Son Jesus unto death to take away our sins. As a called and ordained servant of God's Word, in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

The Introit: (sung together)

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of | the faith-ful,  
and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Al- | le-lu-ia.**  
**O LORD, how manifold / are Your works! The earth is full of | Your crea-tures.**  
**These all | look to You, to give them their food in | due sea-son.**  
**When You give it to them, they gath- | er it up;  
when You open Your hand, they are filled | with good things.**  
**When You send forth Your Spirit, they are | cre-a-ted,  
and You renew the face | of the ground.**  
**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.**  
**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of | the faith-ful,  
and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Al- | le-lu-ia.**

The Collect of the Day:

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

P: Let us pray: **C: O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; 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)**

(8 a.m.) Anthem: "Catch the Vision! Share the Glory! (by Jaroslav Vajda)

*Choir*

The Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and He brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. And He led me around among

them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, You know." Then He said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. Then He said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." So I prophesied as He commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.' Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O My people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O My people. And I will put My Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

P: This is the Word of our Lord.      C: **Thanks be to God.**

#### The Gradual:

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh    **and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.**  
With the heart one believes and is justified **and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.**

#### The Pentecost Reading: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. *And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language.* And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice

and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

"And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; even on My male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out My Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

P: This is the Word of our Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(please stand if you are able)* **Gospel Introduction** (LSB 489)

**Hail thee, fes-tiv-al day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for-ev-er;  
Day when the Ho-ly Ghost Shone in the world with His grace.  
Bright and in like-ness of fire, On those who a-wait His ap-pear-ing,  
He whom the Lord had fore-told Sud-den-ly, swift-ly de-scends:  
Hail thee, fes-tiv-al day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for-ev-er;  
Day when the Ho-ly Ghost Shone in the world with His grace.**

The Holy Gospel: *(read from the center of the sanctuary accompanied by the cross)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> chapters.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.** *(John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 is read.)*

[Jesus said:] "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness about Me. And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning. . . .

I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send Him to you. And when He comes, He will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see Me no longer; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take what is Mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is Mine; therefore I said that He will take what is Mine and declare it to you."

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

Our Pentecost Statement of Faith: (confessed in unison)

**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.**

**I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.**

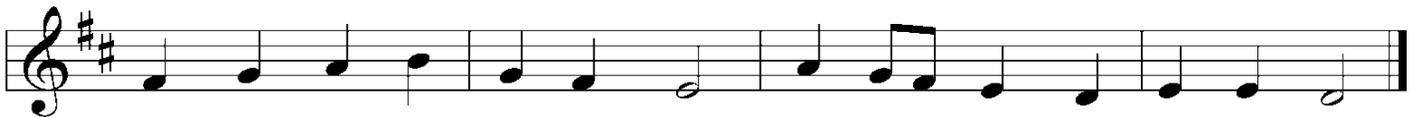
**In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.**

**In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true. (please be seated)**

The Hymn of the Day: 496 “Holy Spirit, Light Divine”



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, light di - vine, Shine up - on this heart of mine;  
 2 Let me see my Sav - ior's face, Let me all His beau - ties trace;  
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, pow'r di - vine, Cleanse this guilt - y heart of mine;  
 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, joy di - vine, Cheer this sad - dened heart of mine;  
 5 Ho - ly Spir - it, all di - vine, Dwell with - in this heart of mine;



Chase the shades of night a - way, Turn the dark - ness in - to day.  
 Show those glo - rious truths to me Which are on - ly known to Thee.  
 In Thy mer - cy pit - y me, From sin's bond - age set me free.  
 Yield a sa - cred, set - tled peace, Let it grow and still in - crease.  
 Cast down ev - 'ry i - dol throne, Reign su - preme, and reign a - lone.

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The Festival Sermon: “Now You Are Speaking My Language!” Acts 2:6

Three times (vv. 6, 8, 11) it is emphasized that what the disciples are speaking are recognizable languages, known to the hearers, not some unintelligible gibberish. How might this help us in our discussions with our Christian friends in churches that use the “Pentecostal” label?

The Prayer of the Church: (please stand if you are able)

**HEALING AND COMFORT:** Ed Luttman, Larry Ebers, Bob Carnahan, Dennis Deterding, Rhonda Schaefer; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Lori Voges, Doug Whelan, Bob Rothley, Bruce Schneider, Michelle Dillon, Gloria Peuster, Jeff Cowell, Ruby Stellhorn. *Help us keep this current!*

**MILITARY:** (Please call with names.) Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Nathan Koen, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., 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, Keenan Turnure

EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: Fire/EMS- Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Chad Grohmann, Curt Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Kenny Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin Miller, Alan Piel, Jason Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser, Mike VanDorn; Police- Abigail Brundage, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Jason Palm, Doug Brennan (*Please call our office with names*)

+thanksgiving for the birth of a daughter to Jamie and Lacy (Deterding) Evancich on May 12

+favorable weather for farming and safety in the fields this week

+those who have graduated or are graduating from school this month

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord God, You are the giver of all life. Often we take Your daily blessings of health for granted. We thank You that in our times of need You grant us the service of doctors, nurses and emergency responders, the assistance of medicine and therapy, and the love of family members and friends. According to Your will we ask that You would bless those in need of physical healing with strength of body and peace of spirit so that they would share with others the joy of life in Your name even during their time of illness and trouble. For Ed, Larry, Bob, Dennis, Rhonda, Lori, Doug, Bob, Bruce, Michelle, Gloria, Jeff, Ruby and all those in need of healing and strength we pray, Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God, You bless us with rain and sunshine. It is easy for us to complain about the weather when it is bad and hard for us to praise You for the conditions that are good. We thank You that You provide for our needs. We ask You to bless us with favorable weather for farming this week and safety in the fields for all who work the land and tend the livestock in Your name, for Your glory and for our good. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God, You are served by an army of angels who dwell in Your glory. How little do we recognize the protection they provide us! We do see how the military of our country protects our freedom and liberty. We thank You for all those who serve in our nation's armed forces. We ask for Your safety and protection to be upon our country's military personnel. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God, Your first disciples stood on the streets of Jerusalem and proclaimed Jesus the Messiah to strangers gathered in the city from many parts of the world. Your call of us to witness for our Lord leads us to family, friends and neighbors, yet not with powerful sermons, but by words of encouragement, acts of love, and gifts of music which praise our Savior who lives in and through us. We pray for the Holy Spirit to work in us that we might take advantage of the many ways You give us to reach out with the good news of Jesus to those who are around us. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God, send Your Spirit upon Your faithful people that, by the proclamation of Your Gospel message, fervent love for one another would increase. By Your Spirit, empower Your people to abound in works of love toward those in need. We thank You for the ministry of St. John's Lutheran School and Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School. We pray that You would bless the teachers and students as they look forward to continued growth in their life together in the name of Jesus. We join with all those who have graduated from any level of education in any school this spring in thanking You for the education they have received. We pray that You will use this education as a blessing for them in their future endeavors in Your name and for Your glory. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord of all life, we give You thanks for the ongoing gifts of life that You provide to our world in the birth of children. We join with Lacy, Jamie and their families in thanking You for the gift of their daughter, Charlotte Kay. We are grateful that You have brought both moth and child safely through this delivery. We trust that the Holy Spirit will guide these new parents in raising her to know Your Son Jesus as the Lord of her life and her Savior from sin. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: O Lord, our God, in Holy Baptism You have called us to be Your own and have granted us the remission of sins. United in Your teachings, make all those who approach Your altar this day ready to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins, and grant us grateful hearts, that we may give thanks to You for this wonderful sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into Your hands, O Triune God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ **C: Amen.**

### The Liturgy of Holy Communion

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.**

P: 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, Page 6 who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day as He has promised the Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. At this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer: (prayed in unison)

The Words of Institution:

P: ....The peace of the Lord be with you always.    **C: And also with you.**

Distribution Hymns: (*please be seated*)

(8 a.m.) Anthem: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" (by Clara H. Scott)    *Choir*

650 "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest  
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's



realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing  
ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing  
min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing,



O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,



ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,  
ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we  
ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -



life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.  
praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.  
mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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503 "O Day Full of Grace"



1 O day full of grace that now we see Ap - pear - ing on  
2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, Our Lord on the  
3 For Christ bore our sins, and not His own, When He on the  
4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, His Spir - it new



earth's ho - ri - zon, Bring light from our God that we may be  
 earth ar - riv - ing; Then came to the world that light sub - lime,  
 cross was hang - ing; And then He a - rose and moved the stone  
 life re - veal - ing, That we might no more from Him be lost,



Re - plete in His joy this sea - son. God, shine for us  
 Great joy for us all re - triev - ing; For Je - sus all  
 That we, un - to Him be - long - ing, Might join with an -  
 All dark - ness for us dis - pel - ling. His flame will the



now in this dark place; Your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.  
 mor - tals did em - brace, All dark - ness and shame re - mov - ing.  
 gel - ic hosts to raise Our voic - es in end - less sing - ing.  
 mark of sin ef - face And bring to us all His heal - ing.

5 When we on that final journey go That Christ is for us preparing,  
 We'll gather in song, our hearts aglow, All joy of the heavens sharing,  
 And walk in the light of God's own place, With angels His name adoring.

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#### 498 "Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest"



1	Come,	Ho - ly	Ghost,	Cre - a -	tor	blest,	And	make
2	To	You,	the	Coun -	sel -	or,	we	cry,
3	In	You,	with	grac -	es	sev -	en -	fold,
4	Your	light	to	ev -	'ry	thought	im -	part,
5	Drive	far	a -	way	our	wi -	ly	foe,
							And	Your



our	hearts	Your	place	of	rest;	Come	with	Your	grace	and
the	gift	of	God	Most	High;	The	fount	of	life,	the
al -	might -	y	hand	be -	hold	While	You	with	tongues	of
Your	love	in	ev -	'ry	heart;	The	weak -	ness	of	our
a -	bid -	ing	peace	be -	stow;	With	You	as	our	pro -



heav'n -	ly	aid,	And	fill	the	hearts	which	You	have	made.
fire	of	love,	The	soul's	a -	noint -	ing	from	a -	bove.
fire	pro -	claim	To	all	the	world	His	ho -	ly	name.
mor -	tal	state	With	death -	less	might	in -	vig -	or -	ate.
tect -	ing	guide,	No	e -	vil	can	with	us	a -	bide.

6 Teach us to know the Father, Son, And You, from both, as Three in One  
That we Your name may ever bless And in our lives the truth confess.

*(please stand for last stanza, sing "A-men.")*

7 Praise we the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, with them One,  
And may the Son on us bestow The gifts that from the Spirit flow! Amen.

The Post-Communion Prayer: *(please stand if you are able)*

P: O Holy Spirit, You are powerfully present among us through the speaking and hearing of God's Word during this time of worship. We ask now that You would send us forth in faith, guide us by grace, and renew within us confidence so that we may confess the name of Jesus as our Savior and spread His Gospel message of salvation into all the world;

**C: we pray this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Father, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

The Blessing:

P: The love of God the Father, the grace of God the (+) Son and the strength of God the Holy Spirit go with you and remain with you here in time and thereafter in eternity.

**C: All praises be to our Triune God! Amen.**

Closing Hymn: 500 "Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid" *(we sing "A-men.")*



1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, by whose aid The world's foun - da - tions  
2 O Source of un - cre - at - ed light, The bear - er of God's  
3 Giv - er of grace, de - scend from high; Your sev'n - fold gifts to  
4 Im - mor - tal hon - or, end - less fame At - tend the al - might - y



first were laid, Come, vis - it ev - 'ry hum - ble mind; Come,  
gra - cious might, Thrice - ho - ly fount, thrice - ho - ly fire, Our  
us sup - ply; Help us e - ter - nal truths re - ceive And  
Fa - ther's name; The Sav - ior - Son be glo - ri - fied, Who



pour Your joys on hu - man - kind; From sin and sor - row  
hearts with heav'n - ly love in - spire; Your sa - cred, heal - ing  
prac - tice all that we be - lieve; Give us Your - self that  
for all hu - man - kind has died; To You, O Par - a -



set us free;      May we Your liv - ing      tem - ples      be.  
 mes - sage bring      To sanc - ti - fy us      as we      sing.  
 we may see      The glo - ry of the      Trin - i - ty.  
 clete, we raise      Un - end - ing songs of      thanks and      praise.

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**The Postlude: “The Glory of the Spirit”**

*by Lani Smith*

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College/University Graduates

Brenden Heller- Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Southeast Missouri State University

Brandy (Reinhardt) Koppel- Masters in Educational Leadership (Principal’s Certification)  
 Maryville University

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Clara Nebel- Bachelor of Science in Education (Lutheran Teaching Diploma)  
Concordia University Nebraska

Matthew Nebel- Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering  
University of Missouri-Columbia

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Alex Voges- Associate in Arts in Welding Technology  
Southwestern Illinois College

***This Week With Our Lord, May 23-30, 2021***

**SUNDAY, May 23-**

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
9:25 a.m. Sunday School & Being Lutheran classes in new gym  
9:30 a.m. Adult & Youth Bible Classes in the Fellowship Hall  
10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

**Tuesday, May 25-**

9:30 a.m. Lutheran Holy Communion Service at Red Bud Care Center  
10:30 a.m. Office Staff meeting  
12:30 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall  
1:15 p.m. Lutheran Holy Communion Service at Red Bud Garden Place  
7:00 p.m. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation at church

**Wednesday, May 26- *Jessica out of the office through the end of the week***

9:00 a.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall  
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall  
7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel)

**Thursday, May 27- 8:10 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Ezekiel)**

**Saturday, May 29- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Karson Liefer**

**SUNDAY, May 30- *Trinity Sunday***

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Bruce Quinn  
9:25 a.m. Sunday School in new gym; "Being Lutheran" library  
9:30 a.m. Adult & Youth Bible Classes in the Fellowship Hall  
10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Milla Neff

**FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:**

Flowers on the altar this weekend are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for Saturday's wedding of Kory and Natalie (Ruebke) Liefer at St. Mark's Lutheran in Steelville. Thank you and God's blessings to this couple on their Christian marriage! 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: 295; Holy Communion: 155; Adults & Youth: 46; Sunday School students: 35

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. 5/16- General Fund: \$9,604.70; School: \$275; Automatic Giving: \$5,790. *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.*” (Mal. 3:10)

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources**

Acts 2:1 – “When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.” Pentecost was the Old Testament harvest festival – a time of thanksgiving, bounty, and the giving of gifts. How appropriate that the New Testament takes on the meaning of a new harvest – the ripe fields of the nations. This includes bringing in the elect of every tribe and tongue to sing the Lord’s praise. Every farmer knows that it is God who gives the increase and that the harvest calls for thanksgiving.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:**

Does someone need to hear words of rebuke-or redemption? A message about harsh words, gentle answers, and the wisdom of God. Listen to “Wisdom Knows When” (Proverbs 15:1) with Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler on KFUE AM 850 this Sunday at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio on Sundays at 8 a.m. (KSIV 1320 AM or 91.5 FM).

**ADULT BIBLE CLASSES: (9:30 to 10:15 a.m.)**

Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall meets with Pastor Nebel this Sunday for the topic of “Deuteronomy.” DCE Bill Becker teaches “Being Lutheran.” This class meets in the school library.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION:**

This Sunday, May 23 we will have our last day of regular Sunday School for the school year. We will take a one weekend break over Memorial Day weekend. Thank you to all of our Sunday School teachers and helpers who worked very hard to make this happen during the pandemic this past year. Beginning June 6 we will hold summer Sunday School in the school's main lobby for students four years old up to finishing grade seven. We will start at 9:30 a.m. and end 10:10 a.m. The wearing of a mask is up to parents’ discretion. Opportunities to volunteer are available.

**CALLING ALL GRADUATES:**

Please contact our office with the names of St. John’s members who have or are graduating from some level of education this school year. We want to acknowledge them in our school’s graduation service folder, our weekend worship bulletins and our June newsletter. For those graduating from college, please include the type of degree they are receiving. Thank you!

**EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/SECRETARIAL POSITION AVAILABLE:**

Applications are being accepted for our position of Executive Assistant/Secretary at our website, [www.stjohnsredbud.org](http://www.stjohnsredbud.org), under “Contact Us” in the navigation bar. General responsibilities are: record and report congregational finances; publish official communications; and keep congregational membership and cemetery records. Expectations are: represent St.

John's in a Christian manner; have basic skills in using Microsoft Word, Google Docs, Excel and Quickbooks; work with the pastor(s) in carrying out the daily duties necessary for the smooth operation of the congregation; build good public relations with congregation members and the general public; and live as a disciple of our Lord Jesus Christ guided by God's Word and the teachings of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Salary will be based on years of experience and the Salary Guidelines of The Southern Illinois District-LCMS.

### **GOD'S GIFT OF A NEW PASTOR:**

On April 28 Concordia seminarian Brian Nowak received the Divine Call that we along with St. John in Baldwin had extended for a split-time Pastor who will serve us as an Associate Pastor and serve the Baldwin congregation as its Sole Pastor. He is a native of Chicago. He and his wife Heather have three children. We look forward to his installation here and his service among us beginning this summer. This will replace our arrangement with Rev. Clifford Adair as our part-time Assistant to the Pastor.

### **CALLING FOR WORSHIP GREETERS:**

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

### **CONGRATULATIONS:**

As noted in prayers last week, God has blessed Steven & Jessie Roy with the birth of their son Henry Thomas on Tues., May 11 at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis. God has blessed Jamie & Lacy (Deterding) Evancich with the birth of their daughter Charlotte Kay on Wednesday, May 12 at Borgess Hospital in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of these children!

### **SUMMER SINGERS:**

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

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:**

**Mark your calendars!!** Vacation Bible School will take place from June 7<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m.-11 a.m. at the church. Children who have just finished 3-year old Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. (Please notice the change in age. It goes according to the grade you just finished in school rather than the grade you will be entering.) Online registration is now available at <https://www.myvbs.org/signup/>

### **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. CPH runs from June 1<sup>st</sup> through August 13. Any books children read will earn them points, and 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.

**THE PRAYER CHAIN:**

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:**

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

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

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

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

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

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:**

5/23- Brendan Harms, Ellessandria Sutton, Henry Schnepel; 5/26- Kimberly Kueker, Grayden Schloemann; 5/27- Jean Menke, Quentin Stenzel; 5/28- Craig Crafton, Lucas Quintin, Karlyn Meier; 5/29- Piage Liefer; 5/30- Anne Sievers, Daniel Hemmer, Ryan Langrehr, Alex Wild, Tanner VanDorn, Alexcis Crafton. *Please call the office for corrections!*

**CHICKEN DINNER DRIVE THRU** is this Sunday, May 23 from 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. (adult \$11; child \$5) at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 5765 Maeystown Road in Wartburg

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

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

**COS Trap Team:** The COS Trap Shooting Team will participate in the US Open at the World Shooting Complex on Saturday, June 5.

**Office Hours:** The office will be open Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. through May 28. Starting June 1, office hours will be Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; Fridays 9:00 a.m.- noon.

**Our Annual Rummage Sale** will be July 16 & 17. We will accept donations starting June 28.

**Band Instructor Wanted:** Position is available at COS starting in August 2021. Contact us for more details.

**Registration for 2021-2022 is still open!** If you have a student or know someone who will be high school age during the 2021-2022 school year, encourage them to consider Christ Our

Savior LHS. Learn more or download a registration form from our website, [www.coslhs.org](http://www.coslhs.org). Need-based financial aid is available.

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

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Principal – Mrs. Deitt Schneider 618-806-3049 or home: 824-6335

Director of Parish Music – Mrs. Lindsey Hudak 340-6055

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

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

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 – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade – Cindy Nebel (Before/After School Care)

Fifth Grade – Darlene Letcher

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Justin Palm

Resource Teacher – Lara Vause

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

*Serving Us in Worship Today*

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

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

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia and Mark Moeller; (10:30 a.m.) Gerald and Jill Hanebutt

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Colt Hess; (8 a.m.) Kadin Liefer; (10:30 a.m.) Natalie Korando

Video: Eric Fritsche Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Servers: Alice Guebert and Becky Biffar Paraments: Ella Hemmer

**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: What I Wish My Non-Lutheran Family Members Knew about the End Times, Martin Luther on Usury, Roman Catholic Mariology, The Last Words of David and more. Tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis or listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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**CHRISTIAN MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:**

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

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

**LCMS FOUNDATION:**

**LIFE THOUGHTS:** (*from Lutherans for Life*) [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

**ELDER ZONES FOR 2021:** (Chairman, Eric Fritsche)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

*Habits that Weaken Your Immunity-*

**LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS:**

Copies of a Daily Bible Reading Guide are in the entryway. This week's readings are: May 23<sup>rd</sup> - ; May 24<sup>th</sup> - ; May 25<sup>th</sup> - ; May 26<sup>th</sup> - ; May 27<sup>th</sup> - ; May 28<sup>th</sup> - ; May 29<sup>th</sup> - .

*Church Council*

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