

Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost

St. John's Lutheran Church

October 16-17, 2021 5 p.m. & 8 a.m. Red Bud, Illinois

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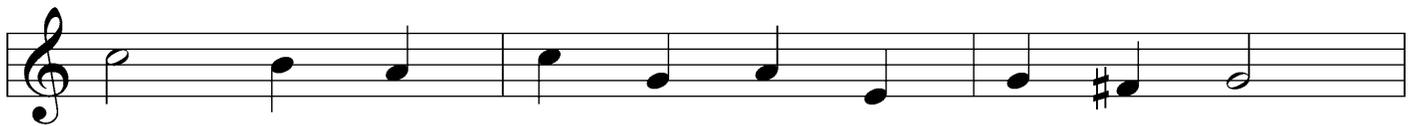
THE PRELUDE: "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" by Kenneth T. Kosche

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 786 "Lord of All Good" (please stand for last stanza, sing "A-men.")



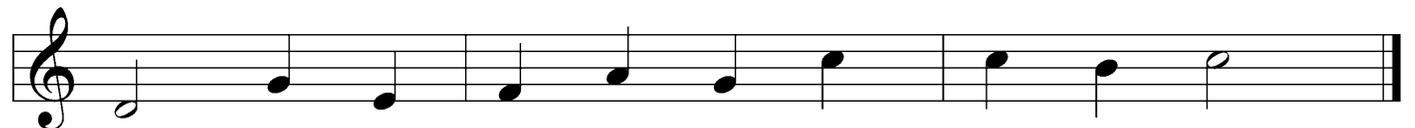
1 Lord of all good, our gifts we bring You now;
 2 We give our minds to un - der - stand Your ways;
 3 Fa - ther, whose boun - ty all cre - a - tion shows;



Use them Your ho - ly pur - pose to ful - fill.
 Hands, eyes, and voice to serve Your great de - sign;
 Christ, by whose will - ing sac - ri - fice we live;



To - kens of love and pledg - es they shall be
 Hearts with the flame of Your own love a - blaze—
 Spir - it, from whom all life in full - ness flows:



That our whole life is of - fered to Your will.
 Thus for Your glo - ry all our pow'rs com - bine.
 To You with grate - ful hearts our - selves we give.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 167P In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

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

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

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

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

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

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; 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:**Ecclesiastes 5:10-20**

He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep. There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart. P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL:

He will command His angels concerning you **to guard you in all your ways.**
Bless the Lord, O my soul, **and all that is within me, bless His holy name!**

THE EPISTLE READING:**Hebrews 4:1-13**

Therefore, while the promise of entering His rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. For we who have believed enter that rest, as He has said, "As I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest,'" although His works were finished from the foundation of the world. For He has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works." And again in this passage He said, "They shall not enter My rest." Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, again He appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, "Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts." For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the

people of God, for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from His. Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

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

(please stand if able) **ALLELUIA:** *(sung)*

Al-le-lu-ia! Lord, to whom shall we go ? You have the words of e-ter-nal life Al-le-lu-ia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Mark 10:23-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

C: *(sung)* **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Jesus looked around and said to His disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were amazed at His words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to Him, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God."

Peter began to say to Him, "See, we have left everything and followed You." Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for My sake and for the gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

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

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Nicene Creed *page 174*

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)*

HYMN OF THE DAY: 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!

SERMON: “God Keeps Us Occupied with Joy in Our Hearts” Ecclesiastes 5:18-20

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

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

HEALING AND COMFORT: Wilma Stellhorn, Alice Smith, Wil Guebert, Ed Luttmann, Donald Kueker, Elroy Stellhorn, Cindy Ebers, Marcy Watters, JoAnna Ellner, Joy Prigge; *Family/Friends of St. John’s Members:* Doug Whelan, Michelle Dillon, Nelda Eggemeyer, Betty Deterding, Marlene Salger, Ron Dennis, Marge Guebert, Barb Niermann. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: *(Please call with names.)* Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Nathan Koen, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, 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, Austin Grohmann

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

+favorable weather for farming, safety in the fields, dependable equipment and blessings on the harvest

+Covid: relief from pandemic; safety of healthcare workers; those deciding between job & vaccination

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

OFFERTORY: page 176 *(sung)*

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

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

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

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

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT: page 177ff.

Preface

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

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

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

Proper Preface

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

Sanctus

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n 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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Lord's Prayer

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

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come,

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

The Words of Our Lord

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

Agnus Dei

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

(Sunday) **ANTHEM:** "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken" (arr. by Carl Wacker)

Choir

781 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"



- 1 We give Thee but Thine own, What-e'er the gift may be;
 2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive
 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold,
 4 To com - fort and to bless, To find a balm for woe,



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
 And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!
 And lambs for whom the Shep-herd bled Are stray - ing from the fold.
 To tend the lone and fa - ther-less Is an - gels' work be - low.

- 5 The captive to release, To God the lost to bring,
 To teach the way of life and peace, It is a Christ-like thing.

- 6 And we believe Thy Word, Though dim our faith may be:
 Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord, We do it unto Thee. Public domain

783 "Take My Life and Let It Be"



- 1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;



Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease-less praise.
 Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.
 Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

- 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;
 Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.
 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;
 Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee. Public domain

636 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"



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



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



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



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



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



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

- 5 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
 Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding:
 Humbly now, I bow before You; Love incarnate, I adore You;
 Worthily let me receive You And, so favored, never leave You.

- 6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor, Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
 Jesus, joy of my desiring, Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
 At Your feet I cry, my maker, Let me be a fit partaker
 Of this blessed food from heaven, For our good, Your glory, given.
- 7 Lord, by love and mercy driven, You once left Your throne in heaven
 On the cross for me to languish And to die in bitter anguish,
 To forego all joy and gladness And to shed Your blood in sadness.
 By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.
- 8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You, Let me gladly here obey You.
 By Your love I am invited, Be Your love with love requited;
 By this Supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure. Through
 the gift of grace You give me As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: “Nunc Dimittis” (*please stand if you are able*)
(we sing) **Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful-filled.
 My own eyes have seen the sal-va-tion which You have pre-pared in the sight of ev’ry
 peo-ple: A light to re-veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your
 peo-ple Is-ra-el. Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it
 was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A-men.**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT & BENEDECTION: page 183

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

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace. **A-men**

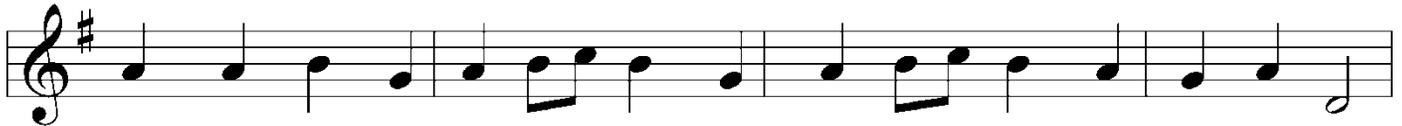
CLOSING HYMN: 803 “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” (*sing “A-men”*)



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
- 2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays,
- 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais - ing Thee, their sun a - bove.
 Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di - vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.
 Chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain Call us to re - joice in Thee.
 Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!

THE POSTLUDE: "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

arranged by Michael Burkhardt

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This Week With Our Lord, October 17-24, 2021

SUNDAY, October 17-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Sunday School classes at school

9:30 a.m. Adult (FH & school library) and Youth (basement) Bible Classes

10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative)

3-5 p.m. Senior Youth bowling at Blossom City Bowl in Red Bud

Monday, October 18- BBB at Rocher; GBB at St. Libory

7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting in the Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school's music room

Tuesday, October 19-

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

1:45 p.m. Early dismissal for Parent/Teacher conferences

7:00 p.m. Evening Guild Gathering in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 20-

8:30 a.m. School Chapel Service in the new gym

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

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

9:30 a.m. Office Staff meeting

3:30-4:30 p.m. 6-8th Public School Confirmation at school

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (1st Kings)

Thursday, October 21-

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Ezekiel)

1:45 p.m. Early dismissal for Parent/Teacher conferences

4-8 p.m. St. John's Class of 2022 Night at Dairy Queen

4:30 p.m. Estate Fund Committee meeting in the FH

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

Friday, October 22- No School

Saturday, October 23- 40 Days for Life in Fairview Heights

9:00 a.m. Pastor at Southern Illinois District Board of Directors meeting

1-3 p.m. Junior Youth Bowling at Blossom City Bowl in Red Bud

5:00 p.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Connor Bumann

SUNDAY, October 24-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Amelia Guebert

9:30 a.m. Sunday School classes at school

9:30 a.m. Adult (FH & school library) and Youth (basement) Bible Classes

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Kerrigan Zeiger

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES: (9:30 to 10:15 a.m.)

Adult Bible Class in the School Library with Mr. Palm: "Being Lutheran"

High School Bible Class in the basement with Mr. Becker: "Revelation"

Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall with Pastor Nebel: "Ezra"

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 10/10- General: \$10,849; School: \$1,320; District missions door offering: \$531 plus \$500 from the Evening Guild; Automatic Giving: \$5,990.

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)

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-2394 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

The Old Testament books of Samuel tell the story of Israel's King David and share the promise of the greater King to come. Listen to "Dead Man, Walking" (1st Samuel 3:18) with Speaker Dr. Michael Zeigler on KFUE AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio on Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM.

COVID PRECAUTIONS IN WORSHIP:

We are sitting every other pew, using a continuous line to distribute Holy Communion with Pastor/Elders wearing masks for distribution. Please give thought for your health and that of your fellow believers as you consider whether or not to wear a mask into or during worship. We are responsible Christian citizens and caring neighbors to those around us. The Fellowship Hall is available for remote worship in a more socially distanced way.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 306; Communion: 80; Adult/Youth Bible Class: 43; SS: 29

HOLY BAPTISM:

We welcome William Troy Jeffrey Guebert into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the late service on Sunday. He is the son of Trenton and Rachael (Renner) Guebert. His baptismal sponsors are Trysta Guebert, Chelsea Rabbermann and Alex Renner. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

CONGRATULATIONS:

St. John's member Easton Lucht was selected as Homecoming King of Red Bud High School. Other St. John's members on the Homecoming Court were Max Diewald, Molly Ellner and Addison Liefer.

VISITORS AT SCHOOL:

Due to increased Covid-19 cases, we again are limiting visitors coming into the school building. Other than regular volunteers, we ask parents/guests to stay in the vestibule of the Main Entrance in order to drop off/pick up items or to meet their children to take them to appointments. Thank you!

SENIOR YOUTH is selling Hemme Cheese (curds/quark/block) until Oct. 29.

EPISTLES

The October edition of our congregational newsletter, *The Epistle*, is in paper copy in the entryway. It also is on our website and has been emailed to those for whom Pastor has an address.

POSITION AVAILABLE: The position of our school secretary will be available as of Nov. 1. Please call our office if you would like to apply for it.

SCHOOL CHAPEL SERVICES:

Upper Grades (3-8) chapel is Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. in the new gym. It is live-streamed over Facebook. When a classroom leads the service, one guest for each student is welcomed to attend in-person. Offerings are collected to support a different mission project each month. October's offerings support Unity Lutheran Christian Elementary School.

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE:

St. John's is signed up the 40 days for Life at the Fairview Heights Planned Parenthood (across Interstate 64 north of St. Clair Square) on October 23rd from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. We need to have at least 2 people there each hour to pray. Coalition for Life STL provides signs, etc. Please contact Jennifer Roscow at 618-972-5366 or mroscow@htc.net for more information or to sign up for a time slot. Thank you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENTS TO SING IN WORSHIP:

St. John's Primary Sunday School students (nursery-1st grade) will sing "Kids of the Kingdom" in the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, October 24. Children will sit with their parents and come forward to sing. Thank you for allowing your child to be a part of the worship and to share the Gospel.

PASTORS' APPRECIATION RECEPTION:

In October, many congregations thank their pastors and families for their hard work, sacrificial dedication, and blessings of shepherding them in the name of Jesus. To thank our Pastor Nebel and Pastor Novak and their families, we will hold a reception

between church services on Sunday, October 24, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Refreshments will be served. In appreciation for their service, we are hosting a card shower for their blessed service to our St. John's Lutheran congregation. Thanks be to God for our Pastors and their families' work to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ!

VOTERS ASSEMBLY MEETING:

Our quarterly Voters Assembly meeting will be Wed., Oct. 27, at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will discuss and vote on the Workplan for 2022 which includes staff salaries.

TRUNK OR TREAT:

You are invited to gather in our school's west (daycare) parking lot on Sunday, October 31, from 5-7 p.m. to celebrate Reformation Day by handing out candy to costumed children. Hotdogs will be served.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

10/17- Elmer Wetzel, Clyde Rowold, Janel Kassing, Wendy Guebert, Brandon Jordan, Bridgett Kennedy, Brittney Pensoneau; 10/18- Wes Salger, Jay Prigge, David Dannenberg, Megan Schrader, Max Voss, Brynlee Durbin; 10/19- Roger Herriman, Oliver Koester; 10/20- Geraldine Koester, Elaine Guebert, Donald Liefer, Natalie Bowles; 10/21- Linda Weseloh, Ben Schwartzkopf, Justin Palm, Jared Schneider, Makayla Kueker, Caleb Guebert, Hailey Proctor; 10/22- John Preston, Gail Wild, Clarke Thien; 10/23- Jackie Schluter, Thomas Mulherin, Chelsea Ripplemeyer. *Call the office with any corrections!*

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

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

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Alice Smith, Jody Winkelmann; Ruma R&R- Fern Schnepel, Willard Uffelmann; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace- June Lawrence; Cedarhurst in Waterloo- Elda Seders; Columbia Convalescent- David Burgdorf; Oak Hill, Waterloo- Cecilia Lautenschlaeger.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

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

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

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

MUSIC CONCERT:

St. Peter's UCC will hold its final music concert on Friday, October 22 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Chili will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m. for a free will offering. There will be dancing in the street. Bring your own lawn chairs and drinks. This will be inside if there is bad weather.

FREE COMMUNITY CONCERTS:

On October 23 (Chapel of the Cross, Benham, Road, St. Louis) & 24 (Trinity Lutheran Church, Soulard), at 3 p.m. FREE concerts will be given by the Bach Society of Saint Louis Chorus and presented by Lutheran Church Extension Fund. The concert will showcase a range of musical styles and composers. We proudly proclaim “Ye Shall Have a Song” as we gather together to celebrate and honor our community. Advanced registration is strongly recommended due to limited capacity. Register at bachsociety.org/community21.

HYMN FESTIVAL:

On Sunday, October 31, at 2:30 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church in Millstadt will host a hymn festival with the theme “The Reformation is All About Jesus: A Celebration in Song.” The hymns will all have a focus on the work of Jesus Christ who is the source and preservation of His Church. Hymns will include “A Mighty Fortress”, “Thy Strong Word”, “Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands”, “O Christ, Who Art the Light and Day”, and others. The pre-service music will feature organ repertoire highlighting the hymns for the festival. The church’s song will be led by Mr. Justin Tayon, Trinity’s organist since January 2021. Trinity's choir will also assist with the festival.

ELDER ZONES FOR 2021: (Chairman, Eric Fritsche)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS:

Copies of a Daily Bible Reading Guide are in the entryway. This week’s readings are: October 17- Ezekiel 34:1-10; October 18- Ezekiel 34:11-31; October 19- Amos 5:1-27;

October 20- Micah 3:1-12; October 21- Micah 6:6-16; October 22- Psalm 94; October 23- Romans 14:1-12.

CHRISTIAN MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:

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

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

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

Surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis can indeed make anyone feel vulnerable (Ecclesiastes 5:15). Our Incarnate Almighty knows (Hebrews 4:15), and so He arranges better solutions than intentional death. His promises have power even over problems of the body (Hebrews 4:12), and whatever losses we may suffer, He more than compensates (Mark 10:29-30). Jesus the Savior makes all things possible—even joy amid suffering (Eccl. 5:18).

LCMS FOUNDATION:

A builder needs the right tool to perform his work. God's people need the right tools to make the right gifts, the right way, from their estates to family and ministry. An investment you made years ago and never thought about has been blessed by the Lord. You would like some income from it in retirement years but don't like the idea of paying a lot of tax on the gain. You can gift that asset into a Charitable Gift Annuity. It will provide an income stream for you, for life. When the Lord calls you home, roughly half the amount you put into it will become a gift to ministry. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can lead you through a process to plan what you want to do. Contact Scott Radden at (618)977-4049 or Scott.Radden@LFND.org.

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

Annual Dinner Auction: We will have our Annual Dinner Auction in-person on November 6. Doors will open at 4 p.m. for silent auction bidding. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and the live auction will start at 7:15 p.m. If COVID restrictions prevent us from meeting in-person, reservation refunds will be offered and the auction will be rescheduled for a later date. Current mask guidelines will be followed. Auction updates are posted on our school website and Facebook. If you would like to help with this event, please call school or email auction@coslhs.org.

School Visitors: To comply with new regulations, visitors are asked to contact the school to make an appointment for a visit or for deliveries. Face coverings are required for entry into the school. 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. The office is open Monday – Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm.

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

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Preschool – Cindy Steele

Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz; Aide – Patty Schnepel

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Third Grade and Junior Youth – Stephanie Valleroy

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

Fifth Grade – Darlene Letcher Resource Teacher – Lara Vause

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

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

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

Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

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

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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel (10:30 a.m.) Lector: DCE Bill Becker

Organist and Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Stanley and Lynn Langrehr; (8 a.m.); Loren Harms and Lisa Quinn; (10:30 a.m.) Cindy Ebers

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Grayson Herriman; (8 a.m.) Annika Herriman;
 (10:30 a.m.) Addyson Piel

Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Server: Doreen Schnepel Paraments: Carol Turner

Creed

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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.

(5 p.m. and 8 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: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that by patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **People: Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **People: Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN:**THE POSTLUDE:**

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