

Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost
October 23-24, 2021

St. John's Lutheran Church
Red Bud, Illinois

Divine Service Two, page 167ff.

THE PRELUDE: "Son of God, Eternal Savior" *arranged by J. Wayne Kerr*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

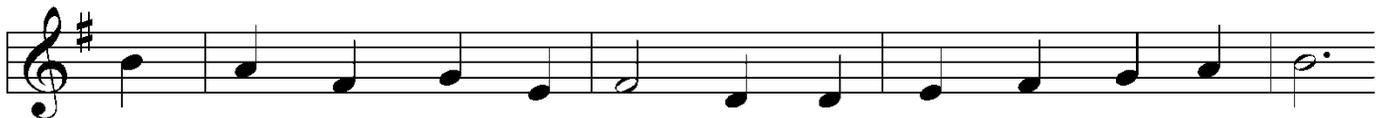
OPENING HYMN: 915 "Today Your Mercy Calls Us"



1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;
4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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(10:30 a.m.) Holy Baptism, pages 268ff.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 167

P 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 punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

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

INTROIT: Psalm 130:1-2; Psalm 131



Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD!	O Lord, / hear my voice!
Let Your ears be attentive / to the voice	of my pleas for mer-cy!
O LORD, my heart is not / lift-ed up;	my eyes are not raised too high.
I do not occupy myself with / things too great	and too marvel- ous for me.
O Israel, hope in the LORD	from this time forth and for- ev-er-more.
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.
Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD!	O Lord, / hear my voice!
Let Your ears be attentive / to the voice	of my pleas for mer-cy!

KYRIE: pages 168-169 (*we sing the responses*)

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

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

C: Lord, have mer-cy.

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

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

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

HYMN OF PRAISE: "This is the Feast" pages 171-172

P This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God,

and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia, alleluia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

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

C: O God, the helper of all who call on You, have mercy on us and give us eyes of faith to see Your Son that we may follow Him on the way that leads to eternal life; through the same 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)

(10:30 a.m.) ANTHEM: "Kids of the Kingdom" Nursery-1st Grade Sunday School students

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Thus says the LORD: "Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'O LORD, save Your people, the remnant of Israel.' Behold, I will bring them from the north country and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back, I will make them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble, for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is My firstborn." 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 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, but Jesus holds His priesthood permanently, because He continues forever. Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for His own sins and then for those of the people, since He did this once for all when He offered up Himself. For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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 10:46-52**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter. C: (*sung*) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And they came to Jericho. And as Jesus was leaving Jericho with His disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."

And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; He is calling you." And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. And Jesus said to him, "What do you want Me to do for you?" And the blind man said to Him, "Rabbi, let me recover my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed Him on the way.

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

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **Apostles' Creed** page 175

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.

(10:30 a.m.) **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)*

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG:**

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus
To reach out and touch Him and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord, Help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus. *(repeat)*

HYMN OF THE DAY: 646 "Church of God, Elect and Glorious"

1. Church of God, e-lect and glo-rious, Ho-ly na-tion, cho-sen race;
Called as God's own spe-cial peo-ple, Roy-al priests and heirs of grace:
Know the pur-pose of your call-ing, Show to all His might-y deeds;
Tell of love that knows no lim-its, Grace that meets all hu-man needs.

2. God has called you out of dark-ness In-to His most mar-v'lous light:
Brought His truth to life with-in you, Turned your blind-ness in-to sight.
Let your light so shine a-round you That God's name is glo-ri-fied
And all find fresh hope and pur-pose In Christ Je-sus cru-ci-fied.

3. Once you were an al-ien peo-ple, Strang-ers to God's heart of love;
But He brought you home in mer-cy, Cit-i-zens of heav'n a-bove.
Let His love flow out to oth-ers, Let them feel a Fa-ther's care;
That they too may know His wel-come And His count-less bless-ings share.

4. Church of God, e-lect and ho-ly, Be the peo-ple He in-tends;
Strong in faith and swift to an-swer Each com-mand your Mas-ter sends:
Roy-al priests, ful-fill your call-ing Through your sac-ri-fice and prayer;
Give your lives in joy-ful ser-vice—Sing His praise, His love de-clare.

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SERMON: "No One Can Cancel the Confession of Those Whom Christ Calls" Mark 10:46-52

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

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

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(Please call our office with names)

+the Christian wedding of Derrick Voss and Lori Billingsley here on October 30

+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.**

(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

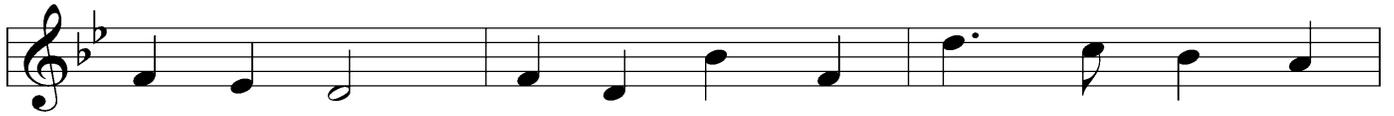
Pastor: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that by patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus 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: 924 “Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's
 3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
 joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion
 pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
 In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
 Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
 ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.
 may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

THE POSTLUDE: “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” *arranged by Tim Shewmaker*

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(10:30 a.m.) **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)

641 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

Refrain



You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.



1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, They know and
 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to You Our praise and
 3 Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of
 4 The mys - t'ry of Your pres - ence, Lord, No mor - tal
 5 You give Your - self to us, O Lord; Then self - less



heed his voice; So when You call Your
 grat - i - tude That You should count us
 Christ out - poured? Do not one cup, one
 tongue can tell: Whom all the world can -
 let us be, To serve each oth - er



fam - 'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re - jice.
 wor - thy, Lord, To share this heav'n - ly food.
 loaf, de - clare Our one - ness in the Lord?
 not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
 in Your name In truth and char - i - ty.

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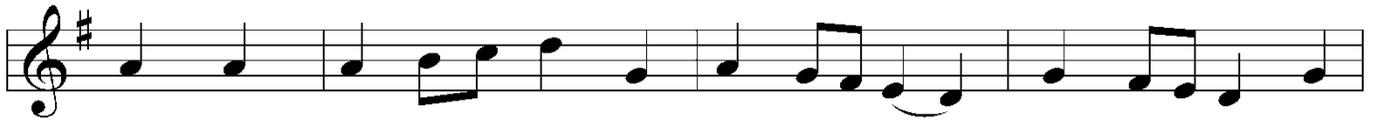
1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and
 2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for
 3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and
 4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us
 oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;
 Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and pas - sion,
 truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in
 Free - ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the
 Bid its cru - el dis - cords cease. By Your pa - tient years of
 Hal - lows all our hu - man race: By Your pray - ing, by Your



glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your
sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards
toil - ing, By Your si - lent hours of pain, Quench our fe - vered
will - ing That Your peo - ple should be one, Grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.
thirst of plea - sure, Stem our self - ish greed of gain.
hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth Your will be done.

798 "The God of Abraham Praise" (*please stand for the last stanza, sing "Amen"*)



1 The God of A - br'ham praise, Who reigns en - throned a - bove;
2 The God of A - br'ham praise, At whose su - preme com - mand
3 The God of A - br'ham praise, Whose all - suf - fi - cient grace
4 He by Him - self has sworn; I on His oath de - pend.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.
From earth I rise and seek the joys At His right hand.
Shall guide me all my pil - grim days In all my ways.
I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, To heav'n as - cend.



Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;
I all on earth for - sake, Its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r,
He deigns to call me friend; He calls Him - self my God.
I shall be - hold His face; I shall His pow'r a - dore



I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.
And Him my on - ly por - tion make, My shield and tow'r.
And He shall save me to the end Through Je - sus' blood.
And sing the won - ders of His grace For - ev - er - more.

5 Though nature's strength decay, And earth and hell withstand,
To Canaan's bounds I urge my way At His command.

The wat'ry deep I pass, With Jesus in my view,
And through the howling wilderness My way pursue.

6 The goodly land I see, With peace and plenty blest:
A land of sacred liberty And endless rest.
There milk and honey flow, And oil and wine abound,
And trees of life forever grow With mercy crowned.

7 There dwells the Lord our king, The Lord our righteousness,
Triumphant o'er the world and sin, The Prince of Peace.
On Zion's sacred height His kingdom He maintains
And glorious with His saints in light Forever reigns.

8 The God who reigns on high The great archangels sing,
And "Holy, holy, holy!" cry, "Almighty King!
Who was and is the same And evermore shall be:
Jehovah, Father, great I AM! We worship Thee!"

(please stand for the last stanza)

9 The whole triumphant host Give thanks to God on high.
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" They ever cry.
Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays:
All might and majesty are Thine And endless praise! A-MEN.

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: 924 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's
 3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
 joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion
 pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
 In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
 Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
 ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.
 may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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This Week With Our Lord, October 24-31, 2021

SUNDAY, October 24-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

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

Monday, October 25-

3:15 p.m. Faculty meeting in the school library

6:30 p.m. Sunday School Teachers' meeting

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

Tuesday, October 26-

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

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

6:00 p.m. Boys' and Girls' Basketball at Holy Childhood

Wednesday, October 27-

8:30 a.m. School Chapel Service in the old gym with the 8th graders

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 p.m. 6th-8th Grade Public School Confirmation (school)

7:00 p.m. Voters Assembly meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, October 28-

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

1:00 p.m. Sight Ministries Center in Baldwin

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

Friday, October 29- 5:30 p.m. Voss/Billingsley wedding rehearsal at church

Saturday, October 30-

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall

1:00 p.m. Derrick Voss & Lori Billingsley wedding at church

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Jack Crafton

SUNDAY, October 31- Reformation Day

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Noah Kassing

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

9:30 a.m. Adult (FH/SL) and Youth (basement) Bible Classes

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Ty Voss

11:00 a.m. Senior Youth fundraising BBQ at school

5-7 p.m. Trunk or Treat in the school's west parking lot

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 10/17- General: \$8,779; School: \$445. *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*

Hebrews 7:27 – "Jesus has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for His own sins and then for those of the people, since He did this once for all when He offered up Himself." The great sacrifice of Jesus upon the cross covers the sins of all mankind. When that sacrifice was made, Jesus proclaimed: "It is finished." No sacrifice of ours is needed to cover our sins. And yet St. Paul tells us to be "living sacrifices," and Jesus tells us to "lay your offering at the altar." So sacrificial giving goes on, but now its purpose is transformed by the sin-atonement sacrifice of Christ. Now our giving and serving are sacrifices of thanksgiving, gifts of self in serving others for Christ's sake.

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: "Esther"

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

Dr. Michael Zeigler helps us to see God's wrath within the bigger story of God's love. Dr. Michael Zeigler helps us to see God's wrath within the bigger story of God's love. Listen to

“He Will Take It” (1st Samuel 15) 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.

HOLY BAPTISM:

+We welcomed Shelbie Christine Ratz into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in a family service on Friday evening. She is the daughter of James and Jamie (Schaefer) Ratz. Her baptismal sponsors are Andy and Carrie Schaefer. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

+We welcomed Olive Jane Westcott into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in a family service on Friday evening. She is the daughter of Thomas and Rebecca Cooper Westcott. Her baptismal sponsors are Angela Cooper and Angela Westcott. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

+We welcome Attlee June Thien into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the late service on Sunday. She is the daughter of Erick and Megan (Grohmann) Thien. Her baptismal sponsors are Alex and Morgann Grohmann, Claire Grohmann and August Thien. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

+Flowers on the pedestal are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the baptisms of Shelbie Christine Ratz and Olive Jane Westcott. They are a gift from their grandparents. Thank you and God’s blessings to them.

+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.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 384; Communion: 162; Adult/Youth Bible Classes: 45; SS: 53

CONGRATULATIONS!:

St. John’s member and Red Bud High School senior Megan Henry is Student of the Month for October. This program is sponsored by the Red Bud Lions Club.

SENIOR YOUTH FUNDRAISER:

Our Senior Youth members are selling Hemme Cheese (curds/quark/block) until October 29. Orders will be available after November 14.

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!

POSITION AVAILABLE:

The position of our school secretary will be available as of November 1. Please call our office for more information or 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. Our October chapel mission offerings are supporting Unity Lutheran Christian Elementary School.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENTS TO SING IN WORSHIP:

Our Primary Sunday School students (nursery-1st grade) will sing “Kids of the Kingdom” in the late service this Sunday. Children sit with their parents and come forward to sing. Thank you for allowing your child to be a part of the worship.

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 Nowak and their families, we are holding a reception this Sunday, October 24, at 9 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 Wednesday, October 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.

COUGARWEAR:

This year PTL is testing a new Spirit Wear Company. What does this mean for you? *Orders can be placed anytime! No more waiting on the PTL to organize a sale. *The PTL no longer has to support minimum orders for each item to place an order. *Shipping is direct to your home and usually an item arrives in 2 weeks or less from the time of the order (all items are printed within a few days of ordering here in the US!) *Watch the site for sales, currently there is a \$6 off long sleeve shirt order promotion and free shipping over \$60...team up with another parent to get free shipping! *Shirts for sports are now available on the site as well!! Check out all the tabs at the top of the page for your order needs!! www.1stplace.sale/30121

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

10/24- Orville Liefer, Wendy Kuehner, Brinley Wolter; 10/25- Bill Becker, Blake Henry, Kendyll Cox; 10/26- Clare Carnahan; 10/27- Tyler Cox, Tanner Winkelmann; 10/28- Christine Stechmesser, Simone Liefer; 10/29- Dorothy Papenberg, Dennis Zanders, Susie Mehring, Patricia Presley, Cindy Ebers; 10/30- Julie Ratz, Jody Winkelmann, Colton Albert.
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.

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

Adding fruit to your diet not only reduces the risk of developing type 2 diabetes, they also provide important vitamins, minerals and fiber.

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)

CAMP WARTBURG JOB OPPORTUNITY:

Do you love being out in nature, working with children and being in a Christ-centered environment? If yes, then come work at Camp Wartburg located in Waterloo, IL! We are hiring for all seasons and would love to have you join us in our ministry. You must be 16 years old or older to apply. If interested please contact the Camp Manager John “Sparky” Hemenway by calling 618/939-7715, ext. 15 or at John.Hemenway@LCFS.org.

LADIES BUNCO NIGHT:

Tuesday, October 26, 6:30 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran in Waterloo. The cost is \$2 or two or more non-perishable food items for the Bi-County Backpack Program. Refreshments, personal dice and hand sanitizer will be provided.

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 we will hear stories from guests who are adult converts to Lutheranism. Tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis or listen when you want at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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

Disabilities do not deserve death, either at life's beginning or near its end. The Lord our God loves to save us in all our brokennesses (Jeremiah 31:8-9). May we learn something even greater than comfort from our limitations—may we learn in our disabilities to cry out to Jesus and follow Him (Mark 10:48, 52), through affliction to life everlasting.

KFUE AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUE Radio AM850 & kfuo.org, a media ministry of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM850 & kfuo.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUE.org, Facebook, **Twitter**, and **Instagram**. This week on KFUE and kfuo.org begin Ecclesiastes on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), study Ezekiel 27-31 on Sharper Iron's "The Faithful Watchman" (weekdays at 8 a.m.) and hear special guests on Midday Moments at 12:30 p.m.! Favorite programs are on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUE Radio app.

CHRISTIAN MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:

+Joan Voges offers us music CDs from her Lilyfields Collection for a donation to our school's ministry. Copies are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

+Former St. John's member Bryan Perdue also has CD music available on the table in the Fellowship Hall for a \$10 donation to St. John's debt reduction.

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. Maybe the Lord has quietly prepared you to make a gift that is not future, but today. Is there an asset that has appreciated in value over the years just waiting for your direction to support a ministry today? Contact Gift Counselor Scott Radden at (618)977-4049 or Scott.Radden@LFND.org.

LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS:

Copies of a Daily Bible Reading Guide are in the entryway. This week's readings are: October 24- Romans 14:13-23; October 25- James 4:1-10; October 26- James 4:11-5:6; October 27- Matthew 23:1-12; October 28- Matthew 23:13-36; October 29- Matthew 25:31-46; October 30- Luke 3:1-20.

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. To help with this event call the 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 M– F 8 am–4 p.m.

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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 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

Church Council

Chairman: Bruce Schneider Vice-Chairman: Darren Liefer
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 Trustee Chair: John Preston Estate Fund Chair: Jim Walker
 Lutheran High School Board: Christina Gidley and Kathy Valleroy

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel (10:30 a.m.) Lector: DCE Bill Becker Organist; Mrs. Lindsey Hudak
 Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia/Mark Moeller; (8 a.m.) Kalin/Kathy Liefer; (10:30 a.m.) Ken/Karen Wetzel
 Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Connor Bumann; (8 a.m.) Amelia Guebert; (10:30 a.m.) Kerrigan Zeiger
 Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr
 Flower Server: Doreen Schnepel Paraments: Carol Turner