



Second Sunday After Pentecost
St. John's Lutheran Church
 Red Bud, Illinois April 23-24, 2022



THE PRELUDE: *(Sunday) "Walther" setting by Kenneth T. Kosche*
THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 480 "He's Risen, He's Risen"

**He's ris-en, He's ris-en, Christ Je-sus, the Lord;
 He o-pened death's pris-on, the in-car-nate, true Word.
 Break forth, hosts of heav-en, in ju-bi-lant song
 And earth, sea, and moun-tain their prais-es pro-long.**

**The foe was tri-um-phant when on Cal-va-ry
 The Lord of cre-a-tion was nailed to the tree.
 In Sa-tan's do-main did the hosts shout and jeer,
 For Je-sus was slain, whom the e-vil ones fear.**

**But short was their tri-umph; the Sav-ior a-rose,
 And death, hell, and Sa-tan He van-quished His foes.
 The con-quer-ing Lord lifts His ban-ner on high;
 He lives, yes, He lives, and will nev-er-more die.**

**O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
 Christ rose, and now o-pen is fair E-den's door.
 For all our trans-gres-sions His blood does a-tone;
 Re-deemed and for-giv-en, we now are His own.**

(we stand for the last stanza if able)

**Then sing your ho-san-nas and raise your glad voice;
 Pro-claim the blest tid-ings that all may re-joice.
 Laud, hon-or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:
 With Fa-ther and Spir-it He ev-er shall reign. A-men.**

Divine Service Four (pages 203ff.)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

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

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord, **C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, (and) call upon Him in prayer and praise, (and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar), let us first

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.** P: Let us pray the Collect of the Day.

C: Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (please be seated)

THE FIRST READING:**Acts 5:12–20**

Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL:

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.

P: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

C: He has put all things under His feet.

THE SECOND READING:**Revelation 1:4-18**

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before His throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of Him. Even so. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around His chest. The hairs of His head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, His feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and His voice was like the roar of many waters. In His right hand He held seven stars, from His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and His face was like the sun shining in full strength. When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(please stand if you are able) **ALLELUIA and VERSE:** page 205

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. These things are writ-ten that you may be-lieve that Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

John 20:19-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter. C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into His side, I will never believe."

Eight days later, His disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are

those who have not seen and yet have believed.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name. P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed

(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) Apostles' Creed (page 207)

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 206)

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: "The Lamb" (LSB 547)

He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch-ed-ness.

He lives, for-gives, He gives me His own righ-teous-ness.

(refrain) **Wor-thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!**

The Lamb is reign-ing on His throne!

He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now o-ver-flows.

His song pro-long Till ev-'ry heart to Him be-long. *(refrain)*

HYMN OF THE DAY: 472 “These Things Did Thomas Count as Real”



1 These things did Thom - as count as real: The
 2 The vi - sion of his skep - tic mind Was
 3 His rea - soned cer - tain - ties de - nied That
 4 May we, O God, by grace be - lieve And



warmth of blood, the chill of steel, The grain of wood, the
 keen e-nough to make him blind To an - y un - ex -
 one could live when one had died, Un - til his fin - gers
 thus the ris - en Christ re - ceive, Whose raw im - print - ed



heft of stone, The last frail twitch of flesh and bone.
 pect - ed act Too large for his small world of fact.
 read like braille The mark - ings of the spear and nail.
 palms reached out And beck - oned Thom - as from his doubt.

SERMON: “Unless I See...My Lord and My God” John 20:25, 28-29

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: Lorine Reinhardt, Darleen Scheffert, Barb Ladwig, Wayne Mesnarich, Elroy Stellhorn, Ruth Hecht, Ken Williams, Kim Herriman, Marcy Watters, Zac Carnahan; *Family/Friends of St. John’s Members:* Betty Deterding, Rev. Mark Willig, Tom Lewis, Susan Sochowski, Ava Kern, Linda Kaaz, Stephanie Reinhardt. *Help us keep this list current!*

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VanDorn, Tanner Winkelman; Police- Abigail Browne, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Jason Palm, Doug Brennan, Jason Roscow, Aaron Runge (*Please call our office with names.*)

+our 8th grade students, parents, leaders and their guests on their class trip to Washington DC
+the 175th anniversary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod on April 26

The 5 p.m. & 8 a.m. services continue with the Lord's Prayer, Closing Prayer & Hymn 517.

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.**

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 the 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.**

Benedicamus and Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

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. **C** **Amen.**

The Closing Hymn: 517 "By All Your Saints in Warfare"

**By all Your saints in war-fare, For all Your saints at rest,
Your ho-ly name, O Je-sus, For-ev-er-more be blest!
For You have won the bat-tle That they might wear the crown;
And now They shine in glo-ry Re-flect-ed from Your throne.**

**All praise, O Lord, for Thomas, Whose short-lived doubt-ings prove
Your per-fect two-fold na-ture, The full-ness of Your love.
To all who live with ques-tions A stead-fast faith af-ford;
And grant us grace to know You, True man, yet God and Lord.**

**Then let us praise the Fa-ther And wor-ship God the Son
And sing to God the Spir-it, E-ter-nal Three in One,
Till all the ran-somed num-ber Fall down be-fore the throne,
As-crib-ing pow'r and glo-ry And praise to God a-lone. A-men.**

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(10:30 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 208ff.

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION: In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord’s Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The individual cups of white wine in the center of the cup tray contain non-alcoholic wine for those who prefer this. For more information about this sacrament, please see pages 326-327 and 329-330 of *Lutheran Service Book*.

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.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (*sung*)

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab-a-oth a-dored;

Heav’n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.

Sing ho-san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san-na to the Lord;

Tru-ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him. Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life’s blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death into the promised land of life eternal. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**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 and The Pax Domini

PThe peace of the Lord be with you always. C Amen.

Agnus Dei (*sung*)

1 O Je-sus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world a-way;

O Je-sus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mer-cy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Je-sus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world a-way;

Have mer-cy on us, Je- sus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(Lord Jesus, I pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace; so that
Your body and Your blood may be for me a strengthening of my faith, a proof of my
forgiveness, a closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness, the basis of a
glad resurrection, and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: (*please be seated*)

470 "O Sons and Daughters of the King"



1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly
2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful
3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and
4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them
5 When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard That they had



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!
wom - en went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.
speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."
came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."
seen the ris - en Lord, He doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
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6 “My piercèd side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet;
 Not faithless but believing be.” Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

7 No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
 “You are my Lord and God!” he cried. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

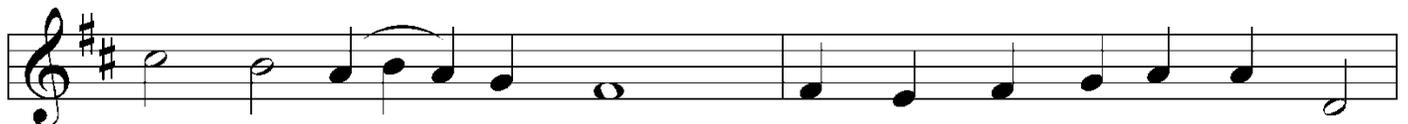
8 How blest are they who have not seen And yet whose faith has constant
 been, For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days Be laud and jubilee and praise:
 To God your hearts and voices raise. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Public domain

633 “At the Lamb’s High Feast”



1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing Praise to
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death’s dread
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael’s hosts tri - um - phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!

Please stand if you are able

8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise.
Alleluia! A-men.

NUNC DIMITTIS: "Song of Simeon" page 211 (*please stand*)

**O Lord, now let Your ser-vant De-part in heav'n-ly peace,
For I have seen the glo-ry Of Your re-deem-ing grace:
A light to lead the Gen-tiles Un-to Your ho-ly hill,
The glo-ry of Your peo-ple, Your cho-sen Is-ra-el.**

**All glo-ry to the Fa-ther, All glo-ry to the Son,
All glo-ry to the Spir-it, For-ev-er Three in One;
For as in the be-gin-ning, Is now, shall ev-er be,
God's tri-une name re-sound-ing Through all e-ter-ni-ty.**

Post-Communion Collect

Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION: page 212

P: Let us bless the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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This Week With Our Lord, April 24-May 1, 2022

SUNDAY, April 24-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School and HS Youth classes at school

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible classes in FH and school library

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

3:00 p.m. Hymn Festival at St. John Lutheran Church in New Minden

Monday, April 25-

4:30 p.m. Estate Fund Committee meeting at school

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

Monday, April 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

6:30 p.m. Evening Guild Mother/Daughter Banquet in FH

Wednesday, April 27- *Weather Bash Field Trip at Busch Stadium*

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. Office Staff meeting

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

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

Thursday, April 28- *6th & 7th Grades Field Trip to Aquarium*

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

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

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

Friday, April 29-

8:30 a.m. Early Childhood chapel service in the new gym

Saturday, April 30- *Regional Track meet*

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte: Olivia Candler

9:00 p.m. 8th Graders and guests return from their class trip

SUNDAY, May 1-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte: Blayton Sutton

9:30 a.m. Sunday School and HS Youth classes at school

9:30 a.m. Adult (FH & SL) Bible classes

10:30 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte: Hollis Wolfmeier

Noon Senior Youth meeting in our church basement hangout

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 4/17- General: \$21,424.20; School: \$590; Debt: \$575; Automatic Giving: \$5,220. *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

John 20:19 – “On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’” Fear is the opposite of faith., the cringing fear we have in the face of something that is hostile to us and more powerful than we are. Our fears constantly hem us in and prevent us from following the Lord’s will. But there is no need to fear. Jesus has conquered. No fear can keep us locked up. We have been set free by Jesus for lives that declare His marvelous deeds.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Good Friday Worship (AM): 75; (PM): 123

Worship: 754; Communion: 511; Adult/Youth: 30; Sunday School: 32

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:

You can doubt every doubt you've ever had about God's love for you in Christ Jesus. Listen to “Misplaced Doubts” (John 20:24-29) with Guest Speaker Dr. John Nunes 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.

SENIOR YOUTH FUNDRAISER:

Our Senior Youth is selling greeting cards (all occasions) for \$1. Cards are on display in the Fellowship Hall. A money box for payment (honor system) is next to the card display. We also have full boxes of greeting cards for sale. They cost \$30 for 30 cards and come with a lovely storage box.

RURAL KING CHURCH WEEK:

Submit your receipt on its website, www.ruralking.com/churchweek and St. John's will receive 10% of your receipt. To be eligible, the receipts must be dated April 7-20 and be submitted to the website above by May 6, 2022.

“THROUGH THE CHURCH THE SONG GOES ON”:

And Organ Recital and Hymn Festival will be held this Sunday at St. John's Lutheran Church in New Minden with Dr. Nancy Peterson playing at 2:30 p.m. and at 3 p.m. various pastors (including Pastor Nebel) presenting the story of some favorite hymns of the church from throughout the centuries.

EVENING GUILD MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET:

Tuesday, April 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall is our Evening Guild's Mother/Daughter Banquet. The meal is catered by Tina Heinemann. Dinner cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-14. RSVP to Patti Liefer at 618-282-3950 or email patricialiefer@gmail.com immediately! We welcome our school students who will perform.

“St. John's Has Talent!”

VOTERS ASSEMBLY MEETING:

All St. John's communicant members age 18 and older are invited to attend the quarterly Voters meeting in the Fellowship Hall Wed., April 27 at 7 p.m.

LWML ZONE SPRING RENEWAL:

Our Zone LWML meets on Thursday, April 28 from 9 a.m. to noon at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Renault. The theme is “Spring into the Bible” with guest speaker Dr. Gillian Bond, director of Deaconess Studies at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis.

SAVE THE DATE- RETIREMENT CELEBRATION:

We will hold the retirement celebration for our school principal Mrs. Deitt Schneider on Sunday, May 22 with a dinner and program in the school's old gym beginning at noon. RSVP to Sara in our office at 618/282-3873 or sara@stjohnsredbud.org by May 11.

PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS:

The web address for Kindergarten Registration is

<https://forms.gle/XzTLYhhTWB8Uy6KU7>.

The web address for Preschool Registration

is <https://forms.gle/CrPsj1hnshM6Y74M9>.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

4/24- Jill Hanebutt, Randy Grohmann, Chris Liefer, Tyler Henry, Shawn Nichols, Alex Sievers, Ashton Liefer; 4/25- Ann Becker; 4/26- Connie Muench, Karen Liefer, Bailey Booker, Claire Grohmann, Ella Herriman; 4/27- Peggy Sitzes, Tiffany Wiegard, Aiden Kiefer; 4/28- Jamie Foster, Ashlynn Crafton, Layla Meyer, Emma Schlueter; 4/29- Pat Malik, Dr. Paul Schrieber, Ciara Hogendobler, Liam Quintin, Loxton Sutton; 4/30- Alpha Koester, Floyd Wolter, Tim Guebert, Laurie Renner, Liza Wagner. *Call with corrections!*

CHRISTIAN MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:

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

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

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

Adult Bible Class in the school library with Mr. Palm: "Being Lutheran"

Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall w/ Pastor Nebel: "Minor Prophets"

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. Early Childhood chapel (daycare-Grade 2) is Friday at 8:30 a.m. in the new gym. When a classroom leads the service, one guest for each student is welcomed to attend in-person.

ELDER ZONES FOR 2022: (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 Jeremy Stellhorn (618/910-9205)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Wil Krick (618/282-3660)

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 Kalin Liefer (618/792-8277)

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

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

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; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace- June Lawrence and Jean Menke; Waterloo Cedarhurst- Elda Seders; Columbia Convalescent- David Burgdorf Randolph County Nursing Home: Donald Kueker

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

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

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Robert Burgdorf, Kathryn Chunn, Don/Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth/Geri Koester, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttmann, Edna Moeller, Harold Thies

PARISH NURSE NOTE:

The nutrients of dried fruits are highly concentrated. Besides potassium and fiber, dried fruits are rich in antioxidants and several vitamins and minerals. Be sure to purchase dried fruits that do not contain added sugar to avoid additional empty calories.

LCMS FOUNDATION:

Fear of death should not be a deterrent to putting together an estate gift plan. Basking in the glow of Easter, we live today expecting His return and dwelling in the certain hope of the resurrection of our bodies. We can step free from the chains of fear and take action steps with our estate gift plans that loudly profess the hope we have. Today is a great day to get started. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you remain resurrection focused. Contact Scott Radden, Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO 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 @KFUO.org, Facebook, **Twitter**, and **Instagram**. This week on KFUO and kfuo.org: Begin studying the book of Acts on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), study various Psalms on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and study Article XVI: Civil Government in the Augsburg Confession (4/30 at 10:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION PROJECT GUEST:

Mr. Kevin Williams, 8th grade teacher at Unity Lutheran Christian Elementary School will join us on Sunday, May 8. Through the Big City Mission project, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod can show the love of Christ to all different kinds of people living in the inner city. Gifts and offerings to the Big City Mission project help kids and adults learn about how much Jesus loves them. By providing something simple like a lunch or backpack, those involved in urban ministry can build relationships that allow them to tell people about their Savior, Jesus!

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

The patient gentleness of Jesus with Thomas extends joy to him and not judgment. So also the Savior's forgiveness embraces hearts guilty and grieving because of aborting their own children or accelerating their parent's death. "Peace be with you," Jesus says to you who have committed violence against life, "receive My absolution and My Spirit." Come, praise Him who has made you precious alongside men and maidens, infants and aged (Psalm 148:12)!

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: Faith & Perseverance in the Early Soviet Union; The Table of Duties from "Luther's Small Catechism;" Christ's State of Humiliation & Exaltation; Lutheran Preaching and more. You

can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUD, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS: *from Lutheran Bible Translators*

Copies of the daily Bible readings for the year are on the tables in the entryway. April 24- Luke 4:1-15; April 25- Luke 4:16-30; April 26- Luke 4:31-44; April 27- Luke 5:1-16; April 28- Luke 5:17-39; April 29- Luke 6:1-19; April 30- Luke 6:20-38.

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

Track: The COS track team will participate in the Bi-County Meet at 4 p.m. in Sparta on April 26 and the Dupo Meet on April 27 at 4 p.m.

Registration for 2022-2023 is open! If you have a student or know someone who will be high school age during the 2022-2023 school year, encourage them to consider Christ Our Savior Lutheran High school. Call 853-7300 to schedule a shadow day or a private tour. Learn more and download a registration form from our website, www.coslhs.org. The cost to attend can be offset by scholarships. Scholarships are available based on financial need as well as academics and service.

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

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

Secretaries – Mrs. Leslie Froemling and Mrs. Sara Shepherd

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

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 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, Nicole Kadlec, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz, Pam Henry, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Johnston, Amy Williams, Kaitlin Schmitz, Haley Ehler, Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer, Brittany Smith and Geraldine Thompson

Church Council

Chairman: Kevin Liefer Vice-Chairman: Michael DeRousse
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Trustee Chair: John Preston Estate Fund Chair: Brian Guebert
Lutheran High School Board: Christina Gidley and Kathy Valleroy

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel
(Saturday) Pianist: Mrs. Lynn Langrehr; (Sunday) Organist: Mrs. Joan Ruwald
Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia and Mark Moeller; (8 a.m.) Olivia Schmitz and Cindy Steele;
(10:30 a.m.) Ron and Donna Burgdorf
Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Connor Bumann; (8 a.m.) Brody Stellhorn; (10:30 a.m.) Molly Kuehn
Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Joan Ruwald
Flower Servers: Irma Birkner and Sharon Koester Paraments: Virginia Moeller