

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
August 6-7, 2022

St. John's Lutheran Church
Red Bud, Illinois

PRELUDE: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" arranged by Paul Soulek

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 735 "Have No Fear, Little Flock"



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; Have no fear, lit - tle
 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; Have good cheer, lit - tle
 3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; Praise the Lord high a -
 4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; Thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, For the Fa - ther has cho - sen To
 flock, For the Fa - ther will keep you In
 bove, For He stoops down to heal you, Up -
 God, For He stays close be - side you, In



give you the King - dom; Have no fear, lit - tle flock!
 His love for - ev - er; Have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
 lift and re - store you; Praise the Lord high a - bove!
 all things works with you; Thank - ful hearts raise to God!

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

Divine Service Three, page 184ff.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION: pages 184-185

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

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. C Amen.

INTROIT: Psalm 147



Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giv-ing;

He prepares rain | for the earth;

He gives to the | beasts their food,

His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,

The LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear Him,

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

as it was in the be- | gin-ning,

Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giv-ing;

make melody to our God | on the lyre!

He makes grass grow | on the hills.

and to the young ravens | that cry.

nor His pleasure in the legs | of a man.

in those who hope in His | stead-fast love.

and to the Holy | Spir-it;

is now, and will be forever. | A-men.

make melody to our God | on the lyre!

KYRIE: (sung)

Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: pages 187-189

P: Glory be to God on high: C: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

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

C: Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; 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:**Genesis 15:1–6**

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will You give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “Behold, You have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.”

And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” And He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then He said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” And he believed the LORD, and He counted it to him as righteousness. P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL:

P: Fear the Lord, you His saints,

C: for those who fear Him lack nothing!

P: Many are the afflictions of the righteous, **C: but the Lord delivers him out of them all.**

THE EPISTLE READING:**Hebrews 11:1–16**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him. By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live

in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered Him faithful who had promised. Therefore, from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared for them a city.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(please stand if able) **ALLELUIA:** page 190 *(sung)* **Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Luke 12:22-34

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 12th chapter.

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

Jesus said to His disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will He clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek His kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(sung)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **The Nicene Creed: page 191**

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)*

(10:30 a.m.) **The Apostles' Creed: page 192**

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. *(please be seated)*

(10:30 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG:**

Kids of the kingdom, that's what we are: kids of the kingdom, that's what we are.

We love Je – sus, we love the Lord. We love Je – sus, we love the Lord.

Praise to the Father, praise to the Son, praise to the Spirit, the Three in One.

We love Je – sus, we love the Lord. We love Je – sus, we love the Lord. *(please be seated)*

HYMN OF THE DAY: 712 “Seek Ye First”

SERMON: “High Anxiety? Don't Worry! Be Kids of the Kingdom” Luke 12:22-31

(please stand if you are able) **OFFERTORY: pages 192-193**

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir-it with-in me.

Cast me not a-way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it from me.

**Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-tion,
and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

HEALING AND COMFORT: Evelyn Muench, Lois Fuhrhop, Barb Ladwig, Gloria Stellhorn, David Blankenship, Ellery Byer, Elroy Stellhorn, Peggy Guebert, John Kellerhouse, Ruth Hecht, Cindy Stellhorn, Rick Horrell, Ken Williams, Sherry Winkelmann, Marcy Watters, Zac Carnahan; *Family/Friends of St. John’s Members:* Susan Sochowski, Ava Kern, Celeste Myers, Jim Wirth, Reed Juengling. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: *(Please call with names.)* Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, 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; Navy- Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines-Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Keenan Turnure, Austin Grohmann; National Guard: Jeremiah Brandt

EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: Fire/EMS- Jerre Atchison, Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Breanna Bingel, Savannah Cowell, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Chad Grohmann, Curt Guebert, Jason Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin Miller, Alan Piel, Jason Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser, John Valentine, Mike VanDorn, Tanner Winkelmann; Police- Abigail Browne, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Jason Palm, Doug Brennan, Jason Roscow, Aaron Runge.

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

The 10:30 a.m. service concludes here.

CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:

P: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and (+) give you peace.

C: *(sung)* **A-men, a-men, a-men.**

CLOSING HYMN: 739 “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand;
 2 When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger near,
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws near

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
 When my life is al - most gone,
 And the day is al - most gone,

Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.
 Hear my cry, hear my call; Hold my hand lest I fall.
 At the riv - er I stand; Guide my feet, hold my hand,

Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.

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(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 194ff.

- P The Lord be with you. C **And with thy spirit.**
 P Lift up your hearts. C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
 P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
 C **It is meet and right so to do.**
 P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying: (*sung*)
 C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.**

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Pastor prays the prayer; congregation sings the Doxology*)

...For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glor-ry for-ev-er and ev-er. **A-men.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD AND THE PAX DOMINI

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

AGNUS DEI (*sung*)

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen. (*please be seated*)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

733 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
 2 Un - der the shad-ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4 A thou-sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
 Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
 From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
 Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Soon bears us all away;
 We fly forgotten as a dream Dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
 Be Thou our guard while troubles last And our eternal home! Public domain

725 "Children of the Heavenly Father"



1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly
 2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the
 4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His



in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in
 ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He
 Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He
 chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose



heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.
 show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
 sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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622 "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"



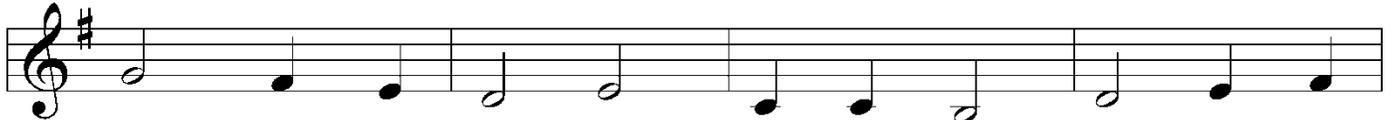
1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
 2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
 3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
 hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
 hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
 Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
 they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
 e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
 and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
 And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
 This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
 and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
 an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
 pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

- 5 Though reason cannot understand, Yet faith this truth embraces:
 Your body, Lord, is even now At once in many places.
 I leave to You how this can be; Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unfailing.
- 6 Lord, I believe what You have said; Help me when doubts assail me.
 Remember that I am but dust, And let my faith not fail me.
 Your supper in this vale of tears Refreshes me and stills my fears
 And is my priceless treasure.
- 7 Grant that we worthily receive Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
 And, truly grieving for our sins, May prove by our behavior
 That we are thankful for Your grace And day by day may run our race,
 In holiness increasing.
- 8 For Your consoling supper, Lord, Be praised throughout all ages!
 Preserve it, for in ev'ry place The world against it rages.
 Grant that this sacrament may be A blessed comfort unto me
 When living and when dying.

Please stand if you are able

NUNC DIMITTIS: “Song of Simeon” pages 199-200 (*sung*)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de-part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre-pared before the face of all people, a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy peo-ple Is-ra-el. Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

THANKSGIVING

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, C (*sung*) **and His mercy endureth for-ev-er.**

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

C (*sung*) **Amen.**

SALUTATION, BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P The Lord be with you. C (*sung*) **And with thy spir-it.**

P Bless we the Lord. C (*sung*) **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and (+) give you peace.

C (*sung*) **A-men, a-men, a-men.**

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 And the day is al - most gone,



Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.
 Hear my cry, hear my call; Hold my hand lest I fall.
 At the riv - er I stand; Guide my feet, hold my hand,

Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.
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This Week With Our Lord, August 7-14, 2022

SUNDAY, August 7-

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

9:30 a.m. Sunday School in the school library

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service

Noon Senior Youth meeting in the church basement hangout

2-4 p.m. Junior Youth (Grades 4-8) Pool Party at the Roscow house

Monday, August 8-

8:30 a.m. School faculty meeting in the school library

4:15 p.m. Boys’ baseball/Girls’ softball at Red Bud Elementary

Tuesday, August 9-

8:00 a.m. School faculty meeting in the school library

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

9:30 a.m. Holy Communion Service at Red Bud Care Center

6:00 p.m. Sunday School teachers’ meeting in school library

Wednesday, August 10-

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

6:00 p.m. Board of Parish Education meets in school library

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (2nd Kings)

Thursday, August 11-

8:00 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Matthew)

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

6:30 p.m. Men’s Club Gathering (BBQ) at Lions Park Pavilion

Friday, August 12-

7:00 p.m. School students sing at Busch Stadium

Saturday, August 13-

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lutheran Early Response Team training in the FH

5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte: Landon Ruebusch

SUNDAY, August 14- No Sunday School today!

8:00 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte: Sage Pensoneau

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte: Kinley Macbeth

(Installation of Amanda Ruhmann and Staff Rededication)

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 7/31- General: \$7,778; School: \$640; Debt: 500; Automatic Giving: \$3,725. *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)

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 280; Communion: 221; Adult Bible Class: 29; Sunday School: 7

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Luke 12:24 – “Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them.” God feeds the birds of the air – this we know, it’s just that, as one wit put it: God sometimes feeds the birds...to the cats! Yes, crosses and hardships will always come, Christ said that no disciple is above his Master. But through it all, the Lord cares for us and He calls upon us to entrust ourselves to that care. He really is our Father, and He really will guard and keep us through whatever this life has to throw at us. And in the end, we shall receive the gift of eternal life.

OFFERINGS PRESENTED:

While our worship offerings still will be gathered in the plates by the sanctuary doors, an usher will bring those plates forward during the Offertory to be placed on the altar. If you forgot to place your offering in a plate before worship as you entered the sanctuary, you can do so as you leave the sanctuary after worship.

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:

Prejudice says, "These are not our kind of people." Charity says, "These are all people for whom Christ died." Listen to “These Are Not Our Kind of People” (Matthew 5:43-48) with former Speaker Dr. Oswald Hoffman 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.

HOLY BAPTISM:

We welcome Sawyer Gene Sondag into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the late service on Sunday. He is the son of Nick and Candace (Koester) Sondag. His baptismal sponsors are Chelsea and Jason Rippelmeyer and Katie and John Kessler. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

WEEKDAY BIBLE CLASSES IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Wednesday Women (9:30 a.m.) “God Is in the Laundry Room”; Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. “2nd Kings”; Thursday at 8 a.m. “Gospel of Matthew”; Saturday Men’s Bible Breakfast (August 6) “Proverbs: Ancient Wisdom for Modern Living.”

JUNIOR YOUTH EVENT:

Our Junior Youth (Grades 4-8) will have a swim party on Sunday, August 7th, from 2-4 p.m. at 1215 Raymond Drive, Red Bud. Please bring a towel and sunscreen! Thank you to the Roscow family for graciously offering your pool for our Junior Youth to use for our summer activity! We hope to see everyone there!

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Tuesday, August 9, 6 p.m. Teachers meeting in the school library

Sunday, August 21, 9:30 a.m. Rally Day activities at school

Sunday, August 28, 9:30 a.m. First day of classroom lessons

Sunday, Sept. 4, 9:30 a.m. Intergenerational class in the Fellowship Hall

CHURCH CUSTODIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED:

A part-time paid position is available in our church custodian rotation. This involves the opening and closing of the building for worship, lighting, setting temperatures, ringing the bell, and light cleaning. See John Preston or Pastor.

SCHOOL RECEPTIONIST ASSISTANCE NEEDED:

While Sara Shepherd is on her maternity leave (roughly Sept. 6-Nov. 10), we are needing volunteer help in our school office to answer phones and provide access to the building for visitors. You may select your days, once a week or more.

PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS:

Kindergarten Registration is <https://forms.gle/XzTLYhhTWB8Uy6KU7>.

Address for Preschool Registration is <https://forms.gle/CrPsj1hnshM6Y74M9>.

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.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES:

Calling all students, youth, and adults who sing/play an instrument! I am looking for anyone who is interested in using your gifts of music to enhance our weekend worship services by providing pre-service music before the worship services begin. I welcome everyone, from beginner to advanced! If you would like to play/sing in a different part of the service, that can be arranged also. If you are interested, please let me know! *Mrs. Lindsey Hudak*

SECRET ANGELS:

We have a large class of 8th grade religion/confirmation students this year. Thus, we need a lot of Secret Angel volunteers. You will pray for your student, encourage your student with regular (at least monthly) notes and small gifts, and excite your student with larger gifts on special occasions (e.g. birthday, Christmas, Valentine's Day, etc.) You will be given an

information form the student completes (do not contact your student until after you get his/her form). You may choose either boy or girl, day school or public school (based on availability). Please contact Pastor Nebel for more information or to select or be assigned a student.

LIFEDATE MAGAZINES:

Lutherans for Life have sent us bulk copies of the latest *LifeDate* magazine. They are on the tables in the entryway for you to take.

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 dvheller@htc.net or 618/521-7417. 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: Kenneth Koester, Alice Smith, Gloria Stellhorn, Jody Winkelmann; Ruma R&R- Fern Schnepel; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace- June Lawrence and Jean Menke; 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, Norma Vogt, Arlin/Helen Winkelman, Carl/Flo Zschiegner

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Robert Burgdorf, Kathryn Chunn, Wil Guebert, Don/Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth/Geri Koester, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttman, Edna Moeller, Viola Muench, Harold Thies

LUTHERAN EARLY RESPONSE TEAM (LERT) TRAINING:

We will host LERT training in our Fellowship Hall on Saturday, August 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$35 (payable to St. John's and includes lunch). Register for training at www.LCMS-LERT.org. You will be asked to create a login, password, profile and sign a release form. Registration must be completed two weeks prior to the training date. This training will help you to respond to a disaster locally or beyond sharing mercy in Christ's name.

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Teacher Re-Dedication and Installation of Miss Amanda Ruhmann as our 5th grade teacher will be in the late service on August 14. The 2022-2023 school year theme is "Joyful in the Field." The first day of class for the students will be August 16 with opening service in church at 8:30 a.m. and dismissal at 1:44 p.m. Buses will run and lunch will be served that day.

ATTENTION COFFEE DRINKERS:

We are now part of Community Coffee's program, "Cash for Schools." By clipping the proof of purchase off packages of ground coffee and/or K cups our school earns rewards. You can drop off proof of purchases at the school office. Thank You for participating in this program to benefit our school!

THANK YOU: We received a check for \$320.14 from our clothing bin donations. Thank you to all who have and continue to donate!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS: *from Lutheran Bible Translators*

Readings for the year are on the tables in the entryway. August 7- Acts 28:16-31; August 8- 1st Corinthians 1:1-25; August 9- 1st Corinthians 1:26-2:16; August 10- 1st Corinthians 3:1-23; August 11- 1st Corinthians 4:1-21; August 12- 1st Corinthians 5:1-13; August 13- 1st Corinthians 6:1-25.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

8/7- Vince Gunter, Lisa Millmann, Ryan Herriman, Kinley Bowles, Benjamin Langrehr, Leeam McDaniel; 8/8- Barbara Korves, Vickie Heller, Wayne Husemann, Greg Guebert, Mark Ruebusch, Elizabeth Cowell, Briana Becker; 8/9- Brittney Stines, Amber Mollet, Norah Wagner; 8/10- Matthew Moeller; 8/11- Martha Rohlfing, Kathy Liefer, Scott Whelan, Michael Moll, Mackenzie Dilley, Katelyn Koester; 8/12- Arlin Winkelman, Vernon Koester, Sharon DeRousse, Audrey Mueth; 8/13- Loretta Bievenue, Payton Burmester, Oliver Brown, Chase Henry. *Please call our office with corrections!*

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

Surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis can inflict real anxiety about material necessities. But abortion and assisted suicide will only leave its victims lacking even more. Our Heavenly Father, on the other hand, is happy to furnish sufferers with not just what we need but all the assets, land, and families He has (Luke 12:31-32). Death, even when we wield it, leaves us empty. Faith never fails to fill hands and hearts.

PARISH NURSE NOTE: *from LCMS Better Health*

Start Your Day With Water: Getting hydrated in the morning can be good for our brains. It boosts alertness and provides a pick-me-up for our low energy level. Water helps us eat healthier. Water takes up room in our stomach so that we will eat less at breakfast. When not adequately hydrated throughout the day, we can mistake thirst for hunger, which can lead to us eating more.

LCMS FOUNDATION:

For your estate plan and the gift plan within it to work, it takes coordination of all your professional advisors to make sure you are creating the best plan. Your attorney meets with you to find out what your goals are and if there are special situations in your life needing attention. They will counsel you to choose the right legal tools to put together the final legal documents you need. You aren't just buying documents. You hire a legal advisor. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor Scott Radden can help you get organized for your first appointment with your attorney, making that visit more productive. Contact him 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: Study Deuteronomy 3-5 on Sharper Iron's "The Law of God is Good and Wise" series (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), begin the book of Romans on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and finish out the study of the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (8/13 at 10:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

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

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

Annual Dinner Auction: We are starting the process of planning our annual dinner auction, which will be held on Saturday, November 5. If you are interested in helping with the planning process, please contact the school. We would love to have you!

Be a Soldier! Registrations are still being accepted for all classes for 2022-2023. The first day of classes is August 16. For more information, contact Matthew Foster, mfoster@coslhs.org or call the school office.

School Hours: Regular office hours are Monday – Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

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

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Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Cindy Steele Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz

Aides: Nola Jean Vallett and

First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer
 Third Grade and Junior Youth – Stephanie Valleroy
 Fourth Grade and Before/After School Care – Cindy Nebel
 Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens
 Sixth Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel
 Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan
 Eighth Grade Homeroom: Bill Becker Athletic Director – Scott Voss
 School 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, Madison Shields, Callen Reitz and Kailyn Moeller and Geraldine Thompson

Church Council

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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel
 Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak; (10:30 a.m.) Lector: DCE Bill Becker
 Greeters: (5 p.m.) Ron and Diane Kunkelmann; (8 a.m.) Kalin and Kathleen Liefer;
 (10:30 a.m.) Jim and Judy Guebert
 Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Connor Bumann; (8 a.m.) Karleigh Liefer; (10:30 a.m.) Lilly Minemann
 Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr
 Flower Server: Shawn DeRousse Paraments: Irma Birkner