

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*St. John's Lutheran Church***June 10-11, 2023***Divine Service One, page 151ff.***Red Bud, Illinois****PRELUDE: "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure"** *arranged by Benjamin M. Culli***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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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 151 (*please stand if you are able*)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.

P: Glory to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

C: Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther; We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spirit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *(sung)* And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, 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:

Hosea 5:15-6:6

I will return again to My place, until they acknowledge their guilt and seek My face, and in their distress earnestly seek Me.

¹“Come, let us return to the LORD; for He has torn us, that He may heal us; He has struck us down, and He will bind us up.

²After two days He will revive us; on the third day He will raise us up, that we may live before Him.

³Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; His going out is sure as the dawn; He will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth.”

⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away.

⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of My mouth, and My judgment goes forth as the light.

⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings. P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL:

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,
On Your wondrous works, I will meditate,

**and His greatness is unsearchable.
and I will declare Your greatness.**

THE EPISTLE READING:

Romans 4:13-25

¹³For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

¹⁶That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.”

¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹fully convinced that God was able to do what He had promised. ²²That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.” ²³But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in Him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, ²⁵who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(please stand if able) **ALLELUIA and VERSE:** (page 156) *(sung)*

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

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Matthew 9:9-13

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9th chapter.

C: *(sung)* Glo-ry to You, O Lord.

⁹As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and He said to him, “Follow Me.” And he rose and followed Him.

¹⁰And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and His disciples. ¹¹And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to His disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹²But when He heard it, He said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed (*inside back cover of the hymnal*)
 (5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **The Apostles' Creed** (page 159)

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.) **The Nicene Creed** (page 158)

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:**

**Chief of sin-ners though I be, Je-sus shed His blood for me,
 Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might nev-er die.
 As the branch is to the vine, I am His and He is mine.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: 688 "Come, Follow Me,' The Savior Spake"



1 "Come, fol - low Me," the Sav - ior spake, "All in My
 2 "I am the light, I light the way, A god - ly
 3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with
 4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your



way a - bid - ing; De - ny your - selves, the world for - sake,
 life dis - play - ing; I bid you walk as in the day;
 love is glow - ing; And gra - cious words My lips ex - press,
 soul's sal - va - tion, Your heart from ev - 'ry guile to free,



O - bey My call and guid - ing. O bear the cross, what -
 I keep your feet from stray - ing. I am the way, and
 With meek - ness o - ver - flow - ing. My heart, My mind, My
 From sin and its temp - ta - tion. I am the ref - uge



e'er be - tide, Take My ex - am - ple for your guide.
 well I show How you must so - journ here be - low.
 strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.
 of the soul And lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."

5 Then let us follow Christ, our Lord, And take the cross appointed
 And, firmly clinging to His Word, In suff'ring be undaunted.
 For those who bear the battle's strain The crown of heav'nly life obtain.

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SERMON: "Calling All Sinners!" Matthew 9:9-13

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: Arlin Winkelman, Kenneth Koester, Mary Gross, Barb Ladwig, Richard Roehrkasse, Loren Harms, Darlene Lohman, **Joan Prigge**, Ruth Hecht, David Guebert, Rev. Russell Koen, Rick Horrell, Ken Williams, Sherry Winkelmann, Susie Harms, Marcy Watters, Zac Carnahan, Ashlynn Crafton, Cooper Wingerter; *Family/Friends of St. John's Members:* Ava Kern, Gary Hollmann, Roger Hartmann, Kevin Conboy, Delores

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+the ministry of our Vacation Bible School this week

+needed rain for crops & livestock; improved industry, increased commerce

OFERTORY: pages 159-160

What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to me?

I will of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of sal-va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple,

In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.

The 5 p.m. & 8 a.m. services continue here.

THE LORD'S PRAYER, CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us all to pray: **Our Father who art in...**

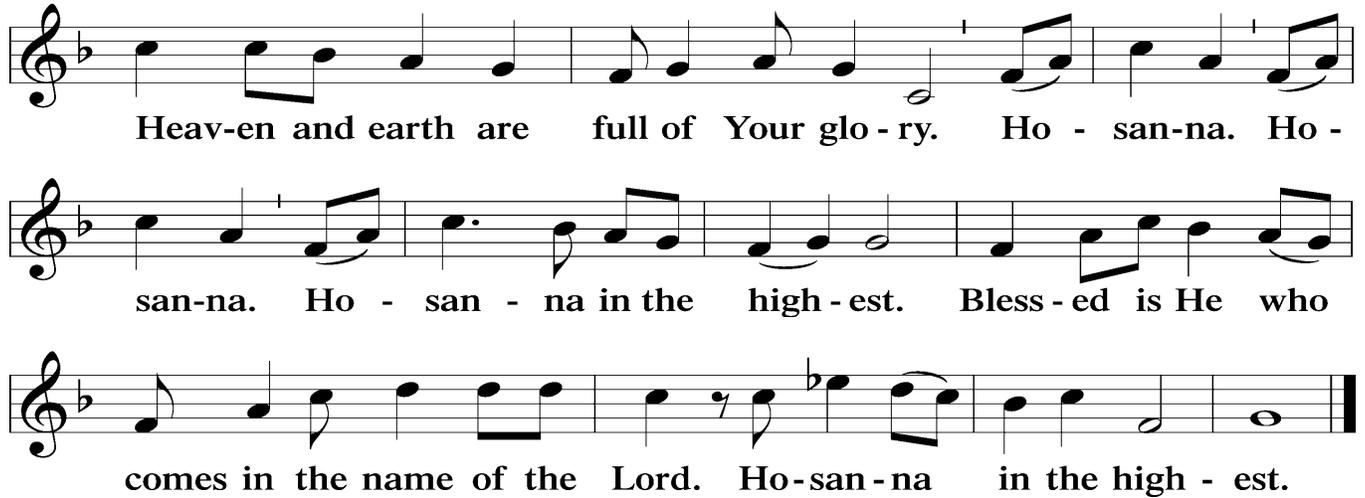
P: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; **through 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: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: 518 "By All Your Saints in Warfare" (*stanzas 1, 25 & 3*)

- 1. 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!**



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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.**

The Lord's Prayer, the Words of Our Lord and the Pax Domini

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

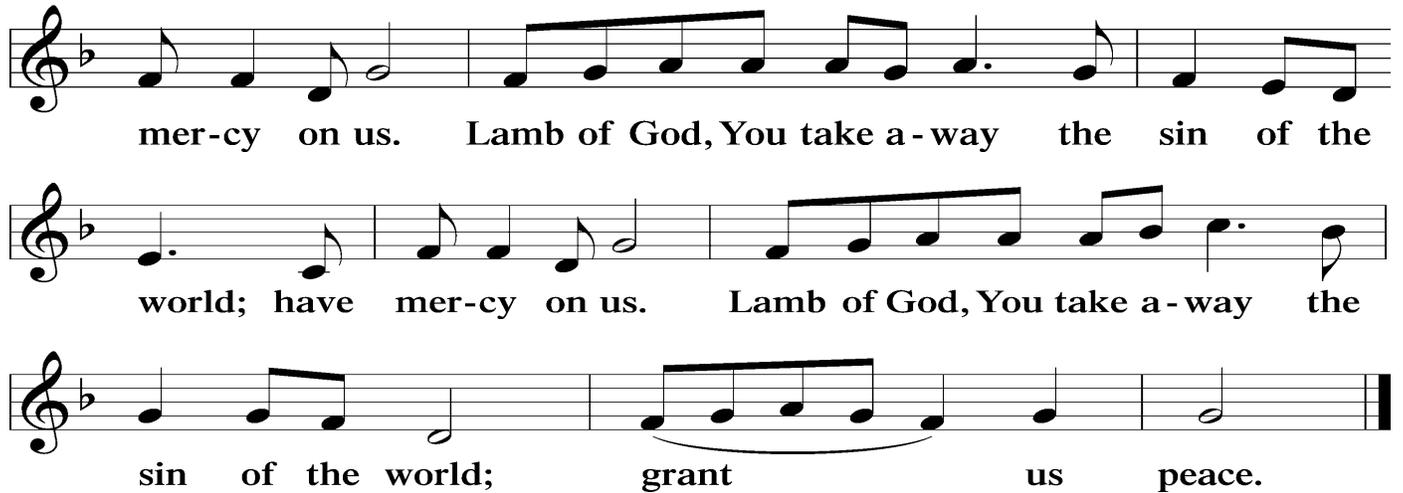
C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is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

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

Agnus Dei



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



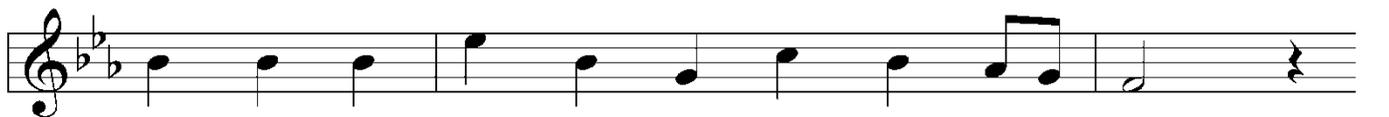
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: (*please be seated*)

533 "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure"



1 Je - sus has come and brings plea - sure e - ter - nal,
 2 Je - sus has come! Now see bonds rent a - sun - der!
 3 Je - sus has come as the might - y Re - deem - er.
 4 Je - sus has come as the King of all glo - ry!



Al - pha, O - me - ga, Be - gin - ning and End;
 Fet - ters of death now dis - solve, dis - ap - pear.
 See now the threat - en - ing strong one dis - armed!
 Heav - en and earth, O de - clare His great pow'r,



God - head, hu - man - i - ty, u - nion su - per - nal,
 See Him burst through with a voice as of thun - der!
 Je - sus breaks down all the walls of death's for - tress,
 Cap - tur - ing hearts with the heav - en - ly sto - ry;



O great Re - deem - er, You come as our friend!
 He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,
 Brings forth the pris - 'ners tri - um - phant, un - harmed.
 Wel - come Him now in this fast - fleet - ing hour!



Heav-en and earth, now pro - claim this great won - der:
 Lifts us from shame to the place of His hon - or.
 Sa - tan, you wick - ed one, own now your mas - ter!
 Pon - der His love! Take the crown He has for you!



Je - sus has come and brings plea - sure e - ter - nal!
 Je - sus has come! Hear the roll of God's thun - der!
 Je - sus has come! He, the might - y Re - deem - er!
 Je - sus has come! He, the King of all glo - ry!

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611 "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"



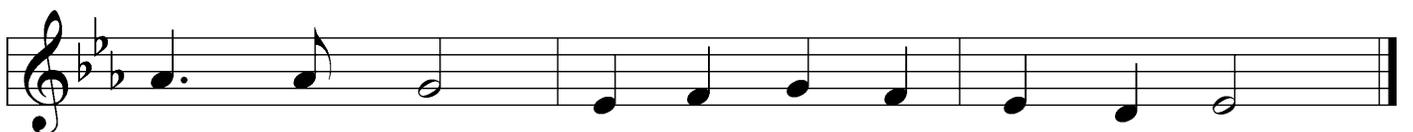
1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
 2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
 3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the
 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
 heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
 wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
 all to me; All my wants to Him are known,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
 Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
 Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to
 All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the



to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
 won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
 walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.
 hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.

- 5 O my Savior, help afford By Your Spirit and Your Word!
 When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way;
 Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die. Public domain

619 "Thy Body, Given For Me, O Savior"



1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which Thou for
 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in Thee and
 3 Who can con-demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is nigh, who
 4 Though death may threat-en with dis - as - ter, It can - not rob me
 5 My heart has now be-come Thy dwell-ing, O bless - ed, ho - ly



me didst shed, These are my life and strength for -
 Thou in me. No sor - row fills my soul, de -
 jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and thus se -
 of my cheer; For He who is of death the
 Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy prais - es



ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.
 light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.
 cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.
 mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.
 tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

Refrain



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be



for my soul the high - est good!

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(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.)

(please stand if you are able)

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Thank the Lord" page 164

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

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 and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** (*sung*) **A-men.**

Benediction

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 (*sung*) **A-men.**

CLOSING HYMN: 518 "By All Your Saints in Warfare" (stanzas 1, 25 & 3)

**1. 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.**

**25 Praise, Lord, for him whose Gos-pel Your hu-man life de-clared,
Who, world-ly gain for-sak-ing, Your path of suff'-ring shared.
For all un-right-ous mam-mon, O raise our eyes a-new
That we in our vo-ca-tion May rise and fol-low You.**

**3 Then let us praise the Fa-ther And wor-ship God the Son
And sing to God the Spir-it, E-tern-al Three in One,
Till all the ran-somed num-ber Fall down before the throne,
Asc-rib-ing pow'r and glo-ry And praise to God a-lone. A-men.**

POSTLUDE: “Fugue in G Minor”

by J.S. Bach

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This Week With Our Lord, June 11-18, 2023

SUNDAY, June 11-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service
9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class and Sunday School (school library)
10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
Noon Senior Youth gather in their church basement hangout
1:00 p.m. VBS decorating in sanctuary and Fellowship Hall

Monday, June 12-

9-11 a.m. Vacation Bible School at church

Tuesday, June 13-

9-11 a.m. Vacation Bible School at church
9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in Pastor's office

Wednesday, June 14-

9-11 a.m. Vacation Bible School at church
9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m. Board of Parish Education meets in school library
7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (1st Chronicles)

Thursday, June 15-

7:30 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Matthew)
9-11 a.m. Vacation Bible School at church
2:00 p.m. Office Staff meeting

Friday, June 16-

9-11 a.m. Vacation Bible School at church
11:00 a.m. VBS Closing Service at church

Saturday, June 17-

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall
5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Ella Cowell

SUNDAY, June 18- Happy Father's Day

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Jacob Liefer
9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class and Sunday School (school library)

10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative); Acolyte- Maya Macbeth

ADULT BIBLE CLASS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall meets Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. with Pastor Nebel leading the topic of “Eternal Election to Salvation.”

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.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 278; Communion: 233; Adult/Youth: 24; Sunday School: 0

And let us consider how to stir one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (Heb. 10:24-25)

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 6/4- General: \$22,154; School: \$115; Debt: \$500. *Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2nd Corinthians 9:7)*

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Matthew 9:9 – “As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and He said to him, ‘Follow Me.’ And he rose and followed Him.” When Jesus talks, Matthew listens and acts. Jesus says, “Follow Me,” and Matthew follows. What does this tell us about Matthew? It tells us that he believes in Jesus. Our actions flow out of our faith. Show me what a man does, and I’ll tell you what he really believes. Our sinful actions uncover our false beliefs and our need for repentance and a return to the forgiveness we find in Jesus. Our godly actions display our faith in Jesus. What kind of faith (or false belief) do your financial actions display?

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: June 12-16, 9-11 a.m.

“God’s Living Water” is for those who finished 3-year-old preschool through 5th grade. No fee is required but donations are welcome. Questions can be directed to: Bill Becker (618-282-2958 cell#). Please sign up using this link: <https://vbsmate.com/StJohnsRedBudIL>

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Strength Out of Weakness"

Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler says that the human 'heroes' of the Bible are normal people, deeply flawed and dearly loved by the God Who made them (Judges 6:14-16). Listen on KFUE AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM.

WEEKDAY BIBLE CLASSES IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Due to VBS, Wednesday Women will not meet this week. Wednesday’s class on 1st Chronicles meets at 7:30 p.m. and Thursday’s class on Matthew will meet from 7:30 to 8:15 a.m. Men’s Bible Breakfast next meets on Saturday, June 17 to study “Proverbs: God’s Ancient Wisdom for Our Modern Living.”

ADULT INSTRUCTION:

Those interested in learning the doctrines of the Christian faith as taught in the Lutheran Church may contact Pastor Nebel to join an information class leading to the Rite of Confirmation and communicant membership at St. John's for those who so desire. This class meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. over the summer.

THANK YOU:

“Thank you for the generous gift I received from the congregation for my retirement. Thank you to everyone who contributed towards the stained-glass window hanging in the school lobby. I was surprised when it was presented to me. I also express my gratitude for the many cards, congratulations, and gifts I received. I am looking forward to the next chapter in my life, but I will miss being with the children every day.” *Mrs. Cindy Steele*

FREE PIANOS!

St. John's Lutheran School currently has two pianos that are not in use and looking for new homes. One is a tall, brown, antique upright piano and the other is smaller, tan-colored spinet piano. Both pianos are in good condition and are in tune! Best of all, they are free!! If you are interested, please contact Lindsey Hudak at 618-340-6055 (call or text) to make arrangements.

SUMMER SINGERS:

Do you like to sing? For the months of June and July, I'm inviting anyone who's interested to take part in our "Summer Singers" group! You do not have to be a choir member to participate! We will sing for the 8 a.m. worship services on Sunday, June 18th, Sunday, July 9th, and Sunday, July 30th. Those mornings, we will meet at 7:30 a.m. upstairs on the south side to practice the song. The songs we sing will be fairly simple, most likely unison, but we can add some part-singing if there is interest. Kids and youth are welcome to sing also!! Let me know if you are interested! *Mrs. Lindsey Hudak*

PORTALS OF PRAYER:

The July-September edition of our daily devotional booklet, *Portals of Prayer*, is available in the racks by the front door of church.

ADOPT A FLOWER BED:

Dear school and church families, we are looking for small groups who wish to "adopt" a section of our landscaping at school. There is no cost to this except the sweat effort of keeping that section of landscaping free of weeds. If you are interested, please call the school office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. any weekday. We will recognize your efforts with a sign within that landscape section naming your group or family. *Mr. Justin Palm*

SYNODICAL CONVENTION DELEGATES:

Representing our circuit at the LCMS Convention in Milwaukee July 28-August 3 will be voting delegates Rev. Lyle Buettner (New Athens/Darmstadt; 618/696-2649; lylebuettner@yahoo.com) and Mike Derosse (St. John's, Red Bud; derosse@gmail.com) and advisory delegate Bill Becker (St. John's, Red Bud; 618/282-2958; becker@stjohnsredbud.org).

NATIONAL MISSION OFFERING:

The national mission offering for our synodical convention later this summer will “support high-priority translation of essential teaching materials into other languages. Your gift of financial resources will help bring the clarity of the Gospel to others in languages they can understand” *President Matthew Harrison*. For us at St. John’s, this will be a broader extension of our Sunday School and day school mission projects from this last year. Please bring your gift to our church office or put it in an envelope marked “National Mission Offering” and place it in an offering plate at church. Thank you!

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.

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).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

6/11- Madilyn Hooch, Addelyn Rahn, Aiden Liefer; 6/13- Craig Stamm, Jessica Nehrt, Karly Durbin, Benjamin Moll, Ayden Wiegard; 6/14- Robert Holmstrom, Colin Korando, Shelbie Ratz; 6/15- Peggy Koen, Blake Bumann; 6/16- Bill Hanebutt, Michael Renner, Sofia Jones, Kolton Liefer, Rory Doss; 6/17- Sharon Henke, Catherine Glasscock, Olivia Valleroy. *Call office for corrections!*

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Wil Guebert, Don/Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Rick Horrell, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttmann, Edna Moeller, Viola Muench, Harold Thies, John & Eunice Wiatr

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Alice Smith; Three Springs in Chester: Jody Winkelmann; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace: June Lawrence & Jean Menke; Randolph County Nursing Home: Don Kueker; Columbia Garden Place, Barb Ladwig

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Kathryn Chunn, Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer and Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Paul Schrieber, Arlin and Helen Winkelman, Carl and Flo Zschiegner

ELDER ZONES FOR 2023: (Chairman, Gerald Hanebutt)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Bruce Schneider (618/521-0028)

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 Gary Buatte (618/719-5034)

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 Joshua Voss (618/719-1840)

PARISH NURSE NOTE: from LCMS *Better Health*: “Hidden Caffeine”

To help you fall asleep faster, avoid ice creams flavored with coffee, mocha or chocolate as they may contain caffeine. There are 50-83 grams in an 8-ounce serving of coffee-flavored ice cream, or about the amount as a half cup of coffee.

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO Radio AM 850 & kfuo.org, a media ministry of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM 850 & kfuo.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. 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 AM850, study Revelation 14-16 on Sharper Iron's "Come Lord Jesus!" (8 a.m.), finish 1st Samuel and begin 2nd Samuel on Thy Strong Word (11 a.m.), and study Chief Article I: “God” in the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (6/17 at 10 a.m.). Find favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

ISSUES, ETC.:

Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio, will have Rev. David Fleming and Dr. Beverly Yahnke of Doxology respond to your questions and comments about the spiritual well-being and mental health of Lutheran laity. Submit your question via email: talkback@issuesetc.org, Facebook: facebook.com/issuesetc, or the Issues, Etc. Comment Line: (618) 223-8382. You can also listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

LCMS FOUNDATION:

How might retirement change my estate plans? Beginning in retirement, you may begin spending down retirement accounts into which you have been placing assets throughout your working life. This spending down of one financial asset, relative to another asset, can create imbalance in the way you wish to disperse God’s gifts when He calls you home. Your Gift Planning Counselor Scott Radden can assist in creating an overview of all your beneficiary designations. Contact him at Scott.Radden@LFND.org or call his cell at 618-977-4049.

HOSTS NEEDED FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT RBHS:

Can you help? Several exchange students coming to the area have requested to be placed with Lutheran families. Please consider hosting a boy or girl from Finland or from South Korea. Host families provide room & board. Students cover all other expenses. For more information, contact Tisha LaNae Daech at tdaech@icesusa.org or call/text 618-447-5915.

ATTENTION COFFEE DRINKERS:

We are in 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!

CASEY'S REWARDS:

Cash for Classrooms- When you shop at Casey's using its rewards program you can donate your points to our St. John's school. Thank you!

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

Positions Available: *COS* is looking for teachers who have interest in math, science, English, social studies, theology, P.E. music, and/or foreign language. We currently have flexibility in the exact areas of instruction. Full and part-time positions are available. All staff must uphold the doctrine and practice of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in teaching and in life. If you are interested, please email your resume to office@coslhs.org. If you have questions call 618-853-7300.

Registration for 2023-2024 is open! If you have or know a high school age student, encourage them to consider COSLHS. Call 618-853-7300 to schedule a tour. Financial aid based on need is available. Download a registration form from our website, www.coslhs.org. School starts on August 15.

School Hours: Summer hours will be 9 a.m.– 3 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 9 a.m.– noon Fridays.

Annual Rummage Sale: Our annual rummage sale will be July 14 and 15. Items may be brought to school beginning June 12. We will be looking for clean, saleable items. Anyone who is interested in volunteering, please contact the school office. Volunteer times are posted on our FB page.

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

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First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade and Junior Youth – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade and Before/After School Care – Cindy Nebel

