

## SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

St. John's Lutheran Church

July 16, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Red Bud, Illinois

PRELUDE: "Thy Word" *arranged by John Carter*

THE RINGING of the bell calls us to holy worship.

## OPENING SONG: 686 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"



1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to  
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by Thy  
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -  
 4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



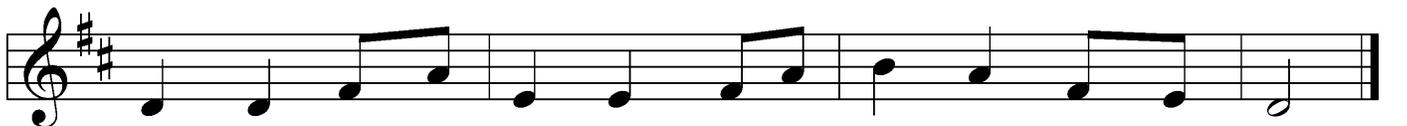
sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,  
 help I've come; And I hope, by Thy good plea - sure,  
 strained to be; Let that grace now like a fet - ter  
 love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less  
 Safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a  
 Bind my wan-d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I  
 How I'll sing Thy won-drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me  
 strang - er, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He, to  
 feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my  
 tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.  
 res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.  
 heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.  
 an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:** *(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 to reflect on God's Word and for self-examination.*

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

**C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

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

**INTROIT: Psalm 103**

The LORD is merciful and gracious, **slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

As for man, his days are like grass; **he flourishes like a flower of the field;**  
for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, **and its place knows it no more.**

But the steadfast love of the LORD **is from everlasting to everlasting**  
on those who fear Him, **and His righteousness to children's children,**  
to those who keep His covenant **and remember to do His commandments.**

The LORD establishes His throne in the heavens, **and His kingdom rules over all.**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

The LORD is merciful and gracious, **slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**  
*(please be seated)*

**SONG OF PRAISE: 584 "Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing"**

1 Faith and truth and life be - stow - ing, O - pen now the  
2 May the Spir - it's pow'r un - ceas - ing Bring to life the

Scrip - tures, Lord, Seed to life e - ter - nal sow - ing,  
hid - den grain, Dai - ly in our hearts in - creas - ing,

Scat - tered on the wind a - broad. Let not hearts, Your  
Bear - ing fruit that shall re - main. So in Scrip - ture,

Word re - ceiv - ing, Like a bar - ren field be found, Choked with  
song, and sto - ry, Sav - ior, may Your voice be heard. Till our

thorns and un - be - liev - ing, Shal - low earth or ston - y ground.  
eyes be - hold Your glo - ry Give us ears to hear Your Word.

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### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you. P: Let us pray.

**C: 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 inwardly digest them that 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. Amen.**

### THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

**Isaiah 55:10-13**

“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word be that goes out from My mouth; it shall not return

to Me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.”

For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a name for the LORD, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.           P: This is the Word of the Lord.           **C: Thanks be to God.**

**THE GRADUAL:**

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

**How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!**

For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

**To Him be glory forever. Amen.**

**THE EPISTLE READING:**

**Romans 8:12-17**

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with Him in order that we may also be glorified with Him.

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

*(please stand if able)* **ALLELUIA VERSE:** “King of Kings”

**King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hal-le-lu-jah!**

**King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hal-le-lu-jah!**

**Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hal-le-lu-jah!**

**Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hal-le-lu-jah! *(repeat)***

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**THE HOLY GOSPEL:**

**Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. And great crowds gathered about Him, so that He got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. And He told them many things in parables, saying:

“A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. He who has ears, let him hear.”

“Hear then the parable of the sower: When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away.

As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

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

**OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed** (*inside back cover of hymnal*)  
**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*) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: “Thy Word”**

(*Refrain*) **Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**





and in - crease, Fruit to life e - ter - nal grow - ing,  
 loves to bless; Here is fruit that grows by shar - ing,  
 and our goal, Teach us, as the years fly fast - er,  
 har - vests cease; Till we taste, in life un - end - ing,

Rich in love and joy and peace.  
 Pa - tience, kind - ness, gen - tle - ness.  
 Good - ness, faith, and self - con - trol.  
 Heav - en's love and joy and peace.

**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:** Kenneth Koester, Richard Roehrkasse, Darlene Lohman, Joan Prigge, Floyd Wolter, Judy Guebert, Ruth Hecht, David Guebert, Elmer Wetzell, Rev. Russell Koen, Sherry Winkelmann, Brian Guebert, Marcy Watters, Zac Carnahan, Sarah Roy, Ashlynn Crafton, Loxton Sutton; *Family/Friends of St. John's Members:* Ava Kern, Gary Hollmann, Roger Hartmann, Kevin Conboy, Delores Stirnaman, Kathy Wolter, Gary Hayes, Lori Hollmann, Leila Keiser, Velma Koenig. *Help us keep this list current!*

**MILITARY:** (*Please call with names.*) Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, Ethan Summers, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Jessica DeMarco, 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, Doug Brennan, Jason Roscow, Aaron Runge.

+our district's mission partner: Lutheran seminary in Dominican Republic

**OFERTORY:** (*LSB 783*) **Take my life and let it be Con-se-crated, Lord to Thee;**

**Take my mo-ments and my days, Let them flow in cease-less praise.**

**Take my sil-ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold;**

**Take my in-tel-lect and use Ev-'ry pow'r and Thou shalt choose.**

**Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take my-self, and I will be Ev-er, on-ly, all for Thee.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER, CLOSING PRAYER, and BENEDICTION:**

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us 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; **C: 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 look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

*(please be seated)* **CLOSING SONG: 809 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.  
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;  
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Refrain*

Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! Great is Thy faith-ful-ness!

Morn-ing by morn-ing new mer-cies I see;

All I have need-ed Thy hand hath pro-vid-ed;

Great is Thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me!

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**POSTLUDE: “Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing”** *arranged by Marty Parks*  
*Instrumentalists: Lindsey Hudak, Brandon Nehrt, John Kellerhouse and Jonathan Hudak*

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***This Week With Our Lord, July 16-23, 2023***

**SUNDAY, July 16-**

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

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class and Sunday School

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

**Monday, July 17-**

*Pastor Nowak on vacation thru 23<sup>rd</sup>; Leslie Froemling on vacation thru the 24<sup>th</sup>*

10:00 a.m. Estate Fund Committee meeting in Pastor’s office

**Tuesday, July 18- Pastor Nebel is gone until Friday**

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

**Wednesday, July 19-**

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

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

**Saturday, July 22-**

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

5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte- Addie Rahn

**SUNDAY, July 23-**

8:00 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte- Jackson Muench

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Classes and Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Ian Moll

**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.”

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:**

Worship: 255; Communion: 68; Adult/Youth: 25; Sunday School: 2

*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)*

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Two Mindsets"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#) says that the Law of God is a test that judges all who take it. The Gospel is the Good News that Jesus passed the test, in our place (Romans 8:1-7). 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.

**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.

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:**

With both pastors being out of town most of this week, please call Rev. Cliff Adair at 618/417-5900 if you are in need of pastoral care.

**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!

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources**

Romans 8:12 – “So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh.” We owe the flesh, the world and the devil nothing at all. We are not debtors to these enemies; we are freed by the blood of Christ. We are joyful servants in Christ’s kingdom — servants that He calls friends. We share our Lord’s plans and purposes, and this gives direction and purpose to our lives.

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 7/9- General: \$20,209.25; School: \$25; Missions: \$10; Automatic Giving: \$5,490. *Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 9:7)*

**WEEKDAY BIBLE CLASSES IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:**

Wednesday Women will meet at 9:30 a.m. this week. Their topic is Deb Burma’s recent book, “Be Still and Know” (cost is \$21). Wednesday’s class on 2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles will not meet again until August 2. Thursday’s class on the Old Testament minor prophet Hosea will not meet this week.

**VOTERS ASSEMBLY MEETING:**

Our next regularly scheduled Voters Assembly meeting is Wednesday, July 26, 7 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. We will hear a report on our Employee Retention Tax Credit among other congregational business.

**JUNIOR YOUTH POSITION AVAILABLE:**

Do you love spending time with Junior High aged students? Then we have a position for you! We are seeking new leadership for St. John's Junior Youth. Responsibilities include planning a monthly activity, organizing transportation if needed with parents, reporting to the Board for Parish Education each month, and quarterly to Voters at their meetings. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Bill Becker at 618-282-3873. A stipend is provided for you.

**SUMMER SINGERS:**

Do you like to sing? I invite anyone who's interested to take part in our "Summer Singers" group! We will sing one more time for the 8 a.m. worship services on Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at 7:30 a.m. upstairs on the south side to practice the song which 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*

**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.

**THANK YOU FROM LUTHERAN HERITAGE FOUNDATION:**

Our \$500 Sunday School mission gift provided 100 Bible books for children in Ukraine. "Thank you for supporting LHF as we share God's Word in 96 countries and more that 150 languages. Thank you so much, children of St. John's Lutheran Sunday School, for your mission hearts to the Ukrainians! I and my wife, a native of Ukraine, are truly grateful. God bless you! *Rev. Dr. Matthew Heise, Executive Director of the Lutheran Heritage Foundation*

**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 DeRousse (St. John's, Red Bud; derousse@gmail.com) and advisory delegate Bill Becker (St. John's, Red Bud; 618/282-2958; becker@stjohnsredbud.org). Rev. Matthew Harrison has been elected to his fifth term as LCMS President in pre-convention online balloting.

**NATIONAL MISSION OFFERING:**

The national mission offering for our synodical convention 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*. This will be another way of doing what our Sunday School and day school mission projects supported this last year through Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Please bring your gift to our church office or put it in an envelope marked "National Mission Offering" and put it in an offering plate at church. Thank you!

ADOPT A FLOWER BED:

Dear school and church families, we are looking for individuals small groups who wish to "adopt" a section of our landscaping at school or church. 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. Thank you to the five groups that already have claimed a spot. *Mr. Justin Palm*

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)

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE: [www.lutheransforlife](http://www.lutheransforlife)

Celebrating every human being as gift and privilege sometimes meets with resistance. This doesn't mean the message failed. Good ground may lie beneath an unsightly surface. Our patient Savior often slowly softens soil, and seeds take time to germinate and flower. The sanctity of life carries God's message, not ours, and He guarantees His strong Word never goes to waste (Isaiah 55:10-11). *The Summer edition of LifeDate is available in the entryway for you to take.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

7/16- Olivia Schmitz, Patty Schnepel, Devon Albert, Tim Liefer, Eric Guebert, Kristopher Liefer; 7/17- Chris Henry, Austin Kiefer; 7/18- Patti Liefer, Tina LaChance, Becky Biffar, Nichole Liefer, Micah Moeller, Alicia Burmester; 7/19- Ethan Fritsche, Natalie Korando, Savannah Horrell; 7/20- David Snyder; 7/21- Mark Guebert, Alan Piel, Chase Strong, Kolton Meier; 7/22- Ronald Burgdorf, Debra Schneider, Derek Stellhorn, Chad Crafton, Adam Ebers, Makayla VanEck. *Please call our office with corrections!*

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: The Movies "Sound of Freedom" and "Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny;" An Attempt by Concordia University Texas to Reject the Governance & Oversight of the LCMS; Truth & Tolerance; Female Pastors & the Lutheran Church of Australia and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Alice Smith; Three Springs in Chester: Eunice Wiatr, 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, Mary Gross, Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer and Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Paul Schrieber, Arlin and Helen Winkelman, Carl and Flo Zschiegner

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Wil Guebert, Don/Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttmann, Edna Moeller, Viola Muench, Harold Thies

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](mailto:dvheller@htc.net) or 618/521-7417. Call our office to add someone to 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).*

PARISH NURSE NOTE: from LCMS *Better Health*

*Foods that lower blood pressure-* Fruits high in potassium, bananas, oranges, cantaloupe, apricots, and cherries can help manage mildly high blood pressure. Potassium relaxes the wall of the blood vessels, lowering blood pressure and protecting against muscle cramping.

FINANCIAL NEED FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT:

St. John's member and recent Red Bud High School graduate Ashlynn Crafton has been diagnosed with leukemia. We can provide some financial assistance for her treatments at her GoFundMe account <https://gofund.me/3579ba87> or at an account set up with Buena Vista National Bank Account #272745. Thank you for considering how you can help during this difficult time.

FREE PIANO!

St. John's Lutheran School currently has a piano that is looking for a new home. It is a tall, brown, antique upright piano, in good condition and in tune! Best of all, it is free!! If you are interested, please contact Lindsey Hudak at 618-340-6055 (call or text) to make arrangements.

LCMS FOUNDATION:

As we prepare our estate plans and the gifts to family and ministry within those plans, we remember that we are making these plans in an ever-changing world. In this changing world, we all wonder whether ministries that have been near and dear to us will still be around twenty-five years from now. A good plan for future support of ministry will always include options, in case those ministries of choice are no longer in existence. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you assess if you need those options. Contact Scott Radden by email at [Scott.Radden@LFND.org](mailto:Scott.Radden@LFND.org) or call his cell phone at 618-977-4049.

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

Opening Worship & Installations: Please join us in welcoming our new Administrator and Teachers as they begin their new year at Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School. The service and installations will be held Sunday, August 6 at 2 pm at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Evansville. A light luncheon will be served afterwards. This will be a wonderful time to visit with the new and current faculty and staff. Amazing things are happening at *Christ Our Savior!*

Thank you for supporting our Annual Rummage Sale! The response of both donations and shoppers was amazing!

Coach Needed: *Christ Our Savior* is looking for a coach for Basketball, Cross Country, and Track for the 2023-2024 sports seasons. Please contact the school office if interested.

Annual Dinner Auction: We are starting the process of planning our annual dinner auction, which will be held on Saturday, November 4. If you are interested in helping with the planning process, please contact the school. We would love to have you!

It's not too late! Registrations are still being accepted for all classes for 2023-2024. Financial aid based on need is available. For more information, check our website, [www.coslhs.org](http://www.coslhs.org), or contact the school office at 618-853-7300. School will start August 15.

Office Hours are Mon.-Thu., 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.

*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 618/340-6055

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Secretaries – Mrs. Leslie Froemling and Mrs. Sara Shepherd

Senior Youth – Kirk and Stephanie Liefer 618/967-0804

Matthew Foster, Principal, Christ Our Savior Lutheran High, 618/853-7300

*Serving Us in Worship Today*

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Olivia Valleroy; (8 a.m.) Brody Stellhorn; (10:30 a.m.) Maya Macbeth

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Stanley and Lynn Langrehr; (8 a.m.) Olivia Schmitz and Cindy Steele; (10:30 a.m.) Gerald and Jill Hanebutt

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

Flower Servers: Pam Miller and Kortney Moll Paraments: Virginia Moeller