

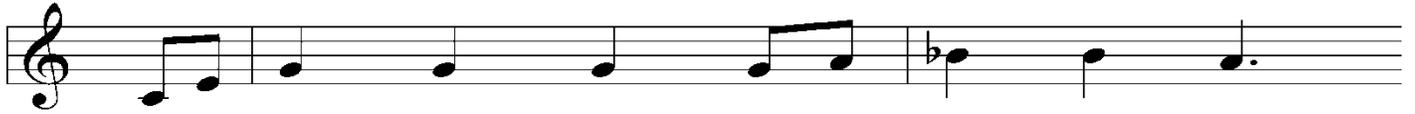
**TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *St. John's Lutheran Church***

Red Bud, Illinois *Divine Service Four*, pages 203ff. August 19-20, 2023 5 p.m. & 8 a.m.

**PRELUDE:** "O Lord, We Praise Thee" *arranged by Heinrich Scheidemann*

**THE RINGING OF THE BELL** calls us to holy worship.

**OPENING HYMN: 653 "In Christ There Is No East or West"**



1 In Christ there is no east or west,  
 2 With God there is no tribe or race;  
 3 So, brothers, sisters, praise His name  
 4 Join hands, disciples of the faith,  
 5 In Christ now meet both east and west;



In Him no south or north, But one great fel - low -  
 In Him we all are one. He loves us as His  
 Who died to set us free From sin, di - vi - sion,  
 What - e'er your race may be; Who serves my Fa - ther  
 In Him meet south and north. All Chris - tian souls are



ship of love Through - out the whole wide earth.  
 chil - dren through Our faith in His dear Son.  
 hate, and shame, From spite and en - mi - ty!  
 as His child Is sure - ly kin to me.  
 one in Him Through - out the whole wide earth.

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(5 p.m.) Holy Baptism, page 268ff.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:** page 203 (*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: Our help is in the name of the Lord, **C: who made heaven and earth.**

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

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

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, (and) call upon Him in prayer and praise, (and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar), let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the

infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: *God, be merciful to me, a sinner.*

**C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 28**



The LORD is the strength of His | peo-ple;

He is the saving refuge of His a- | noint-ed.

To You, O / LORD, I call;

be not | deaf to me,

if You be si- / lent to me,

I become like those who go down | to the pit.

Hear my pleas for / mer-cy

when I cry to | You for help,

when I lift / up my hands

toward Your most holy sanctu- | ary.

Blessèd | be the LORD!

He has heard the voice of my pleas for | mer-cy.

The LORD is my strength / and my shield;

in Him my heart trusts, and | I am helped;

my heart exults, and / with my song

I give | thanks to Him.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

and to the Holy | Spir-it;

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

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

The LORD is the strength of His | peo-ple;

He is the saving refuge of His a- | noint-ed.

**KYRIE:** (page 204) (*sung*)

Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord have mer-cy.

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:** page 204

To God on high be glo-ry And peace to all the earth; Good-will from God in heav-en

Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father, Your ho-ly name

we sing---Our thanks for Your great glo-ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.

To You, O sole-be-got-ten, The Fa-ther's Son, we pray; O Lamb of God, our Sav-ior,

You take our sins a-way. Have mer-cy on us, Je-sus; Re-ceive our heart-felt cry,

**Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
For You a-lone are ho-ly; You on-ly are the Lord. For-ev-er and for-ev-er,  
Be wor-shiped and a-dored; You with the Ho-ly Spir-it A-lone are Lord Most  
High, In God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad re-ply.**

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

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

**C:** Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; 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:**

**Isaiah 56:1, 6-8**

Thus says the LORD: "Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon My salvation will come, and My deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to Him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be His servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast My covenant— these I will bring to My holy mountain, and make them joyful in My house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on My altar; for My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." The Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, "I will gather yet others to Him besides those already gathered." **P:** This is the Word of the Lord.      **C:** Thanks be to God.

**THE GRADUAL:**

Fear the Lord, you His saints,      **for those who fear Him lack nothing!**  
Many are the afflictions of the righteous, **but the Lord delivers him out of them all.**

**THE EPISTLE READING:**

**Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32**

I ask, then, has God rejected His people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected His people whom He foreknew. Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. For the gifts and the calling

of God are irrevocable. Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. For God has consigned all to disobedience, that He may have mercy on all.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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

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

**THE HOLY GOSPEL:**

**Matthew 15:21-28**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15th chapter.

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

Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." But He did not answer her a word. And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before Him, saying, "Lord, help me." And He answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

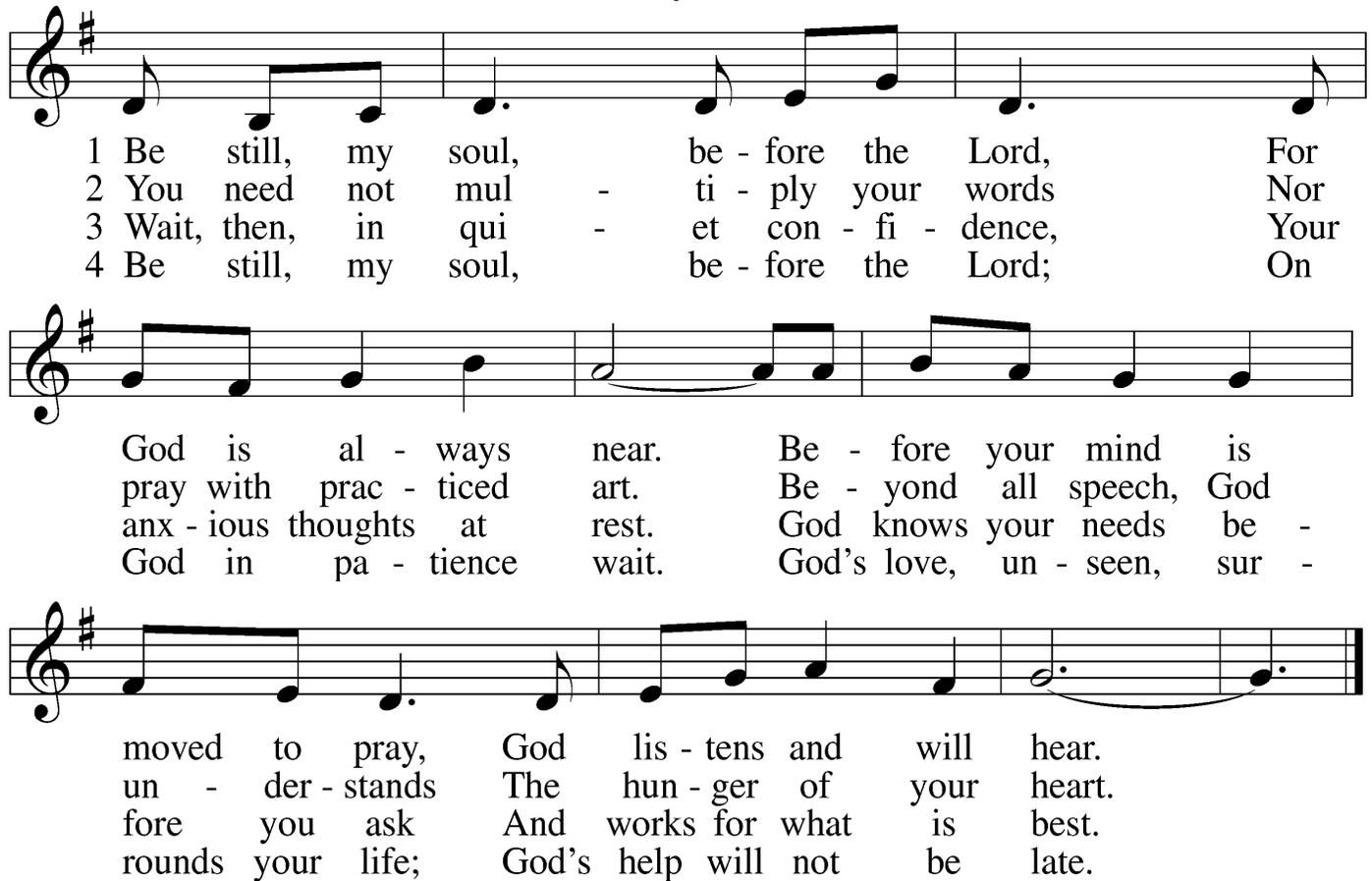
**OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Nicene Creed** *(page 206)*

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen. (*please be seated*)

**HYMN OF THE DAY: 771 “Be Still, My Soul, before the Lord”**



1 Be still, my soul, be - fore the Lord, For  
 2 You need not mul - ti - ply your words Nor  
 3 Wait, then, in qui - et con - fi - dence, Your  
 4 Be still, my soul, be - fore the Lord; On

God is al - ways near. Be - fore your mind is  
 pray with prac - ticed art. Be - yond all speech, God  
 anx - ious thoughts at rest. God knows your needs be -  
 God in pa - tience wait. God's love, un - seen, sur -

moved to pray, God lis - tens and will hear.  
 un - der - stands The hun - ger of your heart.  
 fore you ask And works for what is best.  
 rounds your life; God's help will not be late.

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**SERMON:** (*Saturday*) “Do You Have Any Crumbs?” Matthew 15:21-28

(*Sunday*) “Sheep, Dogs and the Bread That Feeds Them Both” Matthew 15:21-28

**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:** Darlene Lohman, Floyd Wolter, Ruth Hecht, Rev. Russell Koen, Brian Guebert, Randy Miller, Kim Moll, Marcy Watters, Nick Mounts, Zac Carnahan, Ryan Valleroy, Sarah Roy, Ashlynn Crafton, Loxton Sutton; *Family/Friends of St. John’s Members:* Ava Kern, Gary Hollmann, Roger Hartmann, Kathy Wolter, Gary Hayes, Leila Keiser, Caleb Caesar, Karen Stark. *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 Winkelman; Police- Abigail Browne, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Doug Brennan, Jason Roscow, Aaron Runge.

+birth of a daughter to Samuel and Ashley Eggemeyer on August 5

+those suffering from the wildfires on the island of Maui in Hawaii

**OFFERTORY:** (*LSB 783*)

**Take my life and let it be Con-se-crat-ed, 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 as Thou shall choose.  
Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be Ev-er, on-ly, all for Thee.**

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 208ff.

**Preface**

P The Lord be with you.        C    **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.        C    **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

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

**Sanctus** (*sung*)

**Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab-a-oth a-dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho-san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san-na to the Lord;  
Tru-ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and received the blessings of forgiveness, life and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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

### **The Words of Our Lord and The Pax Domini**

P ....The peace of the Lord be with you always.      C      Amen.

### **Agnus Dei** (*sung*)

- 1 O Je-sus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world a-way;  
O Je-sus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mer-cy on us, Lord, we pray.**
- 2 O Je-sus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world a-way;  
Have mer-cy on us, Je- sus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:** (*please be seated*)

#### **576 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”**

**My hope is built on no-thing less Than Je-sus’ blood and righ-teous-ness;  
No mer-it of my own I claim but whol-ly lean on Je-sus’ name.  
On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand,  
All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.**

When dark-ness veils His love-ly face, I rest on His un-chang-ing grace;  
 In ev-'ry high and storm-y gale My an-chor holds with-in the veil.  
 On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand,  
 All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

His oath, His cov-e-nant and blood Sup-port me in the rag-ing flood;  
 When ev-'ry earth-ly prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
 On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand,  
 All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

When He shall come with trum-pet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found,  
 Clothed in His righ-teous-ness a-lone, Re-deemed to stand be-fore His throne!  
 On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand,  
 All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

### 617 "O Lord, We Praise Thee"



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,  
 2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,  
 3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor



In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy  
 Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er  
 That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -



bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that  
 love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -  
 geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this



they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!



May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our  
 Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy  
 Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that



sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead  
 blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;  
 heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see



In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

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### 768 "To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray"



1 To God the Ho - ly Spir - it let us pray  
 2 O sweet - est Love, Your grace on us be - stow;  
 3 Tran - scen - dent Com - fort in our ev - 'ry need,  
 4 Shine in our hearts, O Spir - it, pre - cious light;



For the true faith need - ed on our way  
 Set our hearts with sa - cred fire a - glow  
 Help us nei - ther scorn nor death to heed  
 Teach us Je - sus Christ to know a - right



That He may de - fend us when life is end - ing And from  
 That with hearts u - nit - ed we love each oth - er, Ev - 'ry  
 That we may not fal - ter nor cour - age fail us When the  
 That we may a - bide in the Lord who bought us, Till to

ex - ile home we are wend - ing. Lord, have mer - cy!  
 strang - er, sis - ter, and broth - er. Lord, have mer - cy!  
 foe shall taunt and as - sail us. Lord, have mer - cy!  
 our true home He has brought us. Lord, have mer - cy!

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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.)

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

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

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

### **Post-Communion Collect**

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

**BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION:** page 212

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

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN: 824 “May God Bestow on Us His Grace”** (*sing “A-men”*)

**May God be-stow on us His grace, With bless-ings rich pro-vide us;  
 And may the bright-ness of His face To life e-ter-nal guide us,  
 That we His sav-ing health may know, His gra-cious will and plea-sure,  
 And al-so to the na-tions show Christ's rich-es with-out mea-sure  
 And un-to God con-vert them.**

**Thine o-ver all shall be the praise And thanks of ev-'ry na-tion;  
 And all the world with joy shall raise The voice of ex-ul-ta-tion.  
 For Thou shalt judge the earth, O Lord, Nor suf-fer sin to flour-ish;  
 Thy peo-ple's pas-ture is Thy Word Their souls to feed and nour-ish,  
 In righ-teous paths to keep them.**

**O let the peo-ple praise Thy worth, In all good works in-creas-ing;  
 The land shall plen-teous fruit bring forth, Thy Word is rich in bless-ing.  
 May God the Fa-ther, God the Son, And God the Spir-it bless us!  
 Let all the world praise Him a-lone, Let sol-emn awe pos-sess us.  
 Now let our hearts say, "A-men!"**

**THE POSTLUDE: "To God Be the Glory"**

*arranged by Edward Broughton*

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***This Week With Our Lord, August 20-27, 2023***

**SUNDAY, August 20-**

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

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

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

Noon Senior Youth (grades 9-12) New Member Welcome (church basement)

**Monday, August 21-**

4:30 p.m. Baseball away at TSJ in Nashville

6:00 p.m. Palmer Music meeting with school parents in school music room

7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting in the school library

**Tuesday, August 22- *Cross Country at IC-Columbia after school***

9:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

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

4:30 p.m. Baseball at home vs. Holy Childhood, Mascoutah

6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

**Wednesday, August 23-**

9:00 a.m. Grades 3-8 School Chapel service at church with Pastor Nowak

9:00 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall  
 3:30 p.m. 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grades Public School Junior Confirmation at school  
 7:30 p.m. Bible Class in Fellowship Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles)

Thursday, August 24-

7:30 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Hosea)  
 4:15 p.m. Softball at home vs. St. John-Chester

Friday, August 25-

8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel service in the church sanctuary

Saturday, August 26- Baseball & Softball B Team tourney here at RBAA

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

SUNDAY, August 27-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service- Acolyte: Brooke Wolter

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion- Acolyte: Norah Wagner

Noon Junior Youth to River Rapids Waterpark in Ste. Genevieve

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 324; Communion: 61; Adult/Youth: 19; 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. 8/13- General: \$25,231.11; School: \$1,130; Automatic Giving: \$5,410; School: \$105. *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)*

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Matthew 15:27 – “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” These are the words of faith, for faith means receiving what God gives. And God has given us so much more than just the crumbs that fall from the table — He has given us life, salvation, body and soul, eyes and ears, possessions and income. That’s where our stewardship starts: with faith in the God who is the greatest Giver.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "The Latest Polls"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour the late Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus says that what people think about something--that's a poll. What that something actually is--that's the truth (Matthew 21:8-11 and Luke 23:23-25). Listen on KFUD 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.

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 “We Preach Christ Crucified.” This is the Bible Study for this summer’s synodical convention.

HOLY BAPTISMS:

+We welcome Brynlee Clare Gramenz into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the Saturday service. She is the daughter of Mark and Melissa (Seymour) Gramenz. Her baptismal sponsors are Bryan Gramenz and Stefan Gramenz. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

+We welcome Elise Kinsley Uffelmann into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the late Sunday service. She is the daughter of Nick and Amy (Schutte) Uffelmann. Her baptismal sponsors are Katelin Uffelmann and Justin Schutte.

CONGRATULATIONS:

God has blessed Samuel and Ashley (Kipp) Eggemeyer with the birth of their daughter, Elise Lorraine, on August 5 at Memorial East Hospital in Shiloh. She joins her older brothers, Fletcher and Cohen, at home. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of a child!

MUM SALE FUNDRAISER:

The Class of 2024 is selling mums for \$9 in bronze, red, purple, and yellow colors. Orders can be placed through any 8<sup>th</sup> grade student and are due by Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> for Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> pick-up (2:30-7 p.m. in the school parking lot). Thank you!

OUR SENIOR YOUTH will meet this Sunday, August 20 at noon in their church basement hangout for a new member (incoming freshman and others) welcome event. There will be ice cream and a scavenger hunt.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY:

We will begin our new year of Christian Education through our Sunday School this Sunday, August 20. Rally Day activities will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the new gym. Weather permitting, activities will follow outside. Snacks/drinks provided!

JUNIOR YOUTH (Grades 4-8) ACTIVITY:

“Our August Event is Waterpark on Sunday August 27<sup>th</sup>. We will leave from the school parking lot at noon and drive through Chester. The waterpark is open until 6 p.m. Eat lunch before you come. I will have snacks for after swimming. There is also a concession stand if you would want to send money for that. River Rapids Waterpark is in St Genevieve, Missouri at 1301 Progress Pkwy. The group rate cost is ages 3-12 is \$10, and \$11 for those older. If you are interested, please let me know by 8/25!! You can rsvp via facebook or text 618-581-5928. If anyone has a better communication preference let me know, I'm open to suggestions. Once I know a total number then I can work on getting discounted tickets. I also need to know if you want to come as a driver or you will just send your child. Thank you!!!” *Erin Kuehn*

WEEKDAY BIBLE CLASSES IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Wednesday Women meet at 9:30 a.m. Their topic is Deb Burma’s recent book, “Be Still and Know.” Wednesday’s class on 2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday’s class on the Old Testament minor prophet Hosea meets at 7:30 a.m. Men’s Bible Breakfast next meets on Saturday, September 2 at 7 a.m. to study “Proverbs: God’s Ancient Wisdom for Our Modern Living.”

SECRET ANGELS:

Secret Angels serve our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students (day school and public school confirmation) by praying for their students and encouraging them in their studies with regular notes and small gifts and occasional (e.g. birthday, Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's Day) larger gifts. You will be given a Secret Angel Information Form that the students will complete once school has begun so you will know their interests and likes. Please contact Pastor Nebel if you are willing to serve in this way.

Also, do not contact your student until after Pastor has given you your information form. Secret Angels will be revealed to their students at the Rite of Confirmation (scheduled for April 7).

**MUSICAL 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*

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:**

8/20- Kevin Zeiger, Alyssa Cowell, Logan Cowell; 8/21- Pam Miller, Jason Langrehr, Chris Schield; 8/22- Viola Muench, Elsie Miller; 8/23- Alex Adams, Jenna Salger; 8/24- Amy Minemann, Samantha Lucht, Blake Horrell, Jonah Liefer; 8/25- Daniel Rahn, Matthw Liefer, Megan Horrell, Kortney Moll, Lara Voss, Jacob Liefer, Kullen Liefer; 8/26- Trent Minemann. *Please call our office with any corrections!*

**PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:**

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 Luttman, 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 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).*

**CASEY'S REWARDS:**

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

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

He who made and still sustains nature and all creatures has no anxieties about overpopulation. The Lord our God delights in adding another human life (Isaiah 56:8) and wrapping the next neighbor in magnificent mercy (Romans 15:32). Let the peoples praise You, O God, in ever increasing number (Psalm 67:5-6) – the unborn one, the impaired one, and even our Gospel-motivated voices For Life! *The Summer edition of LifeDate is available in the entryway for you to take.*

**OLDER ADULT LUTHERAN HERITAGE BUS TRIP:**

On Tuesday, October 3, seniors will have the opportunity to travel on a Coach Bus (Huskey-Trailways) to Perry County, Missouri, and learn about Lutheran immigration from Germany to America. The bus will pick up passengers at 8:30 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Columbia. While traveling to Frohna and Altenburg, Missouri, Mr. Bob Polansky, Director of Camp Wartburg,

will lead a Bible study. The first stop will be at the Lutheran Heritage Center and Museum in Altenberg. The museum interprets the 1838-39 Lutheran immigration from Germany to Perry County, including the history of the seven original colonies that were established there. Besides the museum you could take a short walk and tour the 1839 Log Cabin-Concordia Seminary birthplace, and Christian Loeber Cabin. Registration forms are on the bulletin boards in the church entryway.

**FROM LUTHERAN CHURCH CHARITIES:** Hawaii Wildfires

This is the deadliest United States wildfire in more than 100 years, as authorities work to identify the victims and sift through the burned communities of western Maui. 3,000+ homes, businesses, schools, government, and cultural centers are destroyed. An estimated 12,000 people are displaced, with people sleeping in shelters, vehicles, stores, on the street, or with family and friends. With businesses destroyed, there is a massive loss of jobs. The devastation is catastrophic, and there is a tremendous need for spiritual, emotional, and trauma care for everyone impacted and the first responders who are heroically dealing with the remaining wildfires, conducting search and rescue operations, and recovering lives lost. The greatest need is for financial donations to help the people of Maui. They do not have the ability to take in any more donations of items. If you are so moved by this disaster, please donate generously so that we can help survivors with this unfathomable loss.

**CHRISTIAN MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:**

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

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

**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.

**LCMS FOUNDATION:**

All assets within your estate are God's gifts which you will be gifting to family and ministry when the Lord calls you home. It is good to learn how to pray for those who will be receiving these gifts. God made you the steward of His gifts. He wants you to shower others with His blessings for physical needs but also spiritual blessings that come through the sharing of the Gospel. Engage in specific plans to bless specific people or ministries. Then remember them by name in your prayers as you prepare for the day you meet the Lord face to face. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor Scott Radden can help you. Contact him at [Scott.Radden@LFND.org](mailto:Scott.Radden@LFND.org) or call his cell phone at 618-977-4049.

**KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:**

KFUO Radio AM 850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org), a media ministry of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM 850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUO.org, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week on KFUO AM850, dig into Sacraments and Church Order in the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (8/26 at 10 a.m.), finish Ecclesiastes on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.), and study Acts 18-21 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or the KFUO Radio app!

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

Beware of the “health halo”: People who think their meal is healthy are more likely to add unhealthy side dishes, drinks and desserts, resulting in consuming more than twice as many additional calories.

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

Annual Dinner Auction: We are 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! School 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 – Heather Nowak Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz

First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade and Before/After School Care – Cindy Nebel

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Doreen Schnepel Seventh Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben 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, Amy Williams, Nicole Kadlec, Christy Deterding, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz, Madison Shields, Brooke Supancic, Pam Henry, Eileen Seibold, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Johnston, Kaitlin Schmitz, Haley Ehler, Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer, Brittany Smith, Callen Reitz, Kailyn Moeller, Madison Falkenhain, Stephanie Surman, Leah Johnston, Lori Johnston, Deanna Ward, Kaitlyn Brown, Emma Wuertz

**Church Council**

Chairman: Kevin Liefer Vice-Chairman: Michael DeRousse Secretary: Joan Ruwald

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**Serving Us in Worship Today**

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

Lectors (8 a.m.): Seminarian Lucas Frauenhoff; (10:30 a.m.) DCE Bill Becker

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Colby Voss; (8 a.m.) Liam Kilpatrick; (10:30 a.m.) Karleigh Liefer 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