

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

Red Bud, Illinois *Divine Service Four*, pages 203ff. August 5-6, 2023

PRELUDE: "Joyous Day!" by *John Leavitt*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 909 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

**Christ is made the sure foun-da-tion, Christ, our head and cor-ner-stone,
Cho-sen of the Lord and pre-cious, Bind-ing all the Church in one;
Ho-ly Zi-on's help for-ev-er And our con-fid-ence a-lone.**

**To this tem-ple, where we call You, Come, O Lord of hosts, and stay;
Come with all Your lov-ing-kind-ness, Hear Your peo-ple as they pray;
And Your full-est ben-e-dic-tion Shed with-in these walls to-day.**

**Grant, we pray, to all Your faith-ful All the gifts they ask to gain;
What they gain from You, for-ev-er With the bless-ed to re-tain;
And here-af-ter in Your glo-ry Ev-er-more with You to reign.**

(please stand if you are able)

**Praise and hon-or to the Fa-ther, Praise and hon-or to the Son,
Praise and hon-or to the Spir-it, Ev-er three and ev-er one:
One in might and one in glo-ry While un-end-ing a-ges run! A-men.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

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

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

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

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

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

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

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

C: Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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)

(10:30 a.m.) **SOLO:** "Give Thanks"

Ella Cowell

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Isaiah 55:1-5

"Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to Me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, My steadfast, sure love for David. Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for He has glorified you." 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 9:1-13

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return, and Sarah shall have a son.” And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of Him who calls—she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.” 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 14:13-21

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], He withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by Himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed Him on foot from the towns. When He went ashore He saw a great crowd, and He had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to Him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.”

But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” They said to Him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” And He said, “Bring them here to Me.” Then He ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then He broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed *(inside back cover of hymnal)*

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) Nicene Creed *(page 206)*

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all

things visible and invisible.

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

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

(10:30 a.m.) Apostles Creed (page 207)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(please be seated) (10:30 a.m.) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: (LSB 936)

**Sing praise to the God of Is-ra-el! Sing praise for His vis-i-ta-tion!
Re-deem-ing His peo-ple from their sin, Ac-com-lish-ing their sal-va-tion,
Up-rais-ing a might-y horn with-in The house of His ser-vant Da-vid!**

**God spoke by the proph-ets long a-go, His prom-ise on oath re-call-ing—
To A-bra-ham made in form-er years: Of van-quist-ing foes ap-pall-ing,
That those He de-liv-ered from their fears Might glad-ly and tru-ly serve Him.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: 338 “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”



1 Come, Thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, Born to set Thy peo - ple free;
2 Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er; Born a child and yet a king!



From our fears and sins re - lease us; Let us find our rest in Thee.
Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art,
By Thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
By Thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

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SERMON: “We Need a Heart Transplant” Romans 9:1-13

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: Darlene Lohman, Floyd Wolter, Ruth Hecht, Rev. Russell Koen, Sherry Winkelmann, Brian Guebert, Randy Miller, Kim Moll, Marcy Watters, 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.

+the 30th wedding anniversary of Tim and Darla Hollmann on August 7

+those who mourn: family of Delores Stirnaman, mother of Kathy Liefer

+members of Mt. Olive Lutheran (Rev. Gary Lampe) St. Louis, fire on July 30

OFFERTORY: (*LSB 789*)

**Bless, Lord, the la-bor We bring to serve You That with our neigh-bor
We may be fed. Sow-ing or till-ing, We would work with You,
Har-vest-ing, mill-ing For dai-ly bread.**

**Fa-ther, pro-vid-ing Food for Your chil-dren, By Your wise guid-ing
Teach us to share One with an-oth-er, So that, re-joic-ing
With us, all oth-ers May know Your care.**

The 10:30 a.m. service continues with the Lord's Prayer and a Closing Prayer.

Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those
who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.
COLLECT**

Pastor: 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. **People: 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: 918 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"



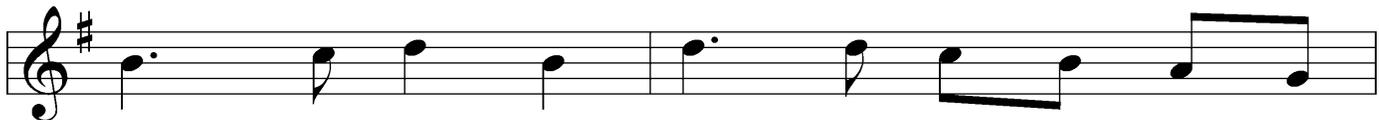
1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,



Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
 Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
 Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,



bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
 strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to



more; Feed me till I want no more.
 shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
 Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

THE POSTLUDE: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer" *arr. by Benjamin M. Culli*

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

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **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*)

549 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;
2 Crown Him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;
3 Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,
4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da - vid's line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,
5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get The worm-wood and the gall,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
The God in - car - nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.
Go, spread your tro - phies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.



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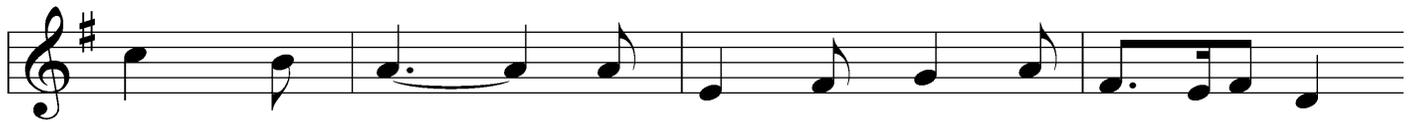
6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all. Public domain

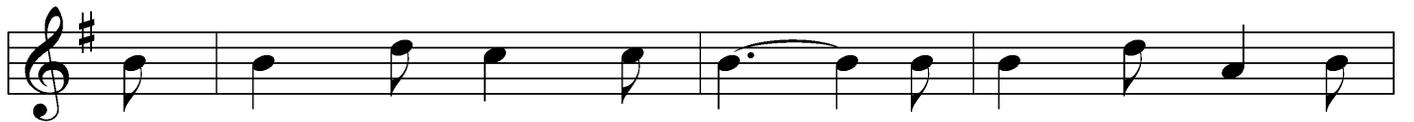
642 "O Living Bread from Heaven"



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, How well You
 2 My Lord, You here have led me To this most
 3 You gave me all I want - ed; This food can
 4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened With heav'n - ly



feed Your guest! The gifts that You have giv - en
 ho - ly place And with Your - self have fed me
 death de - stroy. And You have free - ly grant - ed
 food, while here My course on earth is length - ened,



Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, won - drous food of
 The trea - sures of Your grace; For You have free - ly
 The cup of end - less joy. My Lord, I do not
 To serve with ho - ly fear. And when You call my



bless - ing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this
 giv - en What earth could nev - er buy, The bread of
 mer - it The fa - vor You have shown, And all my
 spir - it To leave this world be - low, I en - ter,



gift pos - sess - ing, With prais - es o - ver - flows.
 life from heav - en, That now I shall not die.
 soul and spir - it Bow down be - fore Your throne.
 through Your mer - it, Where joys un - min - gled flow.

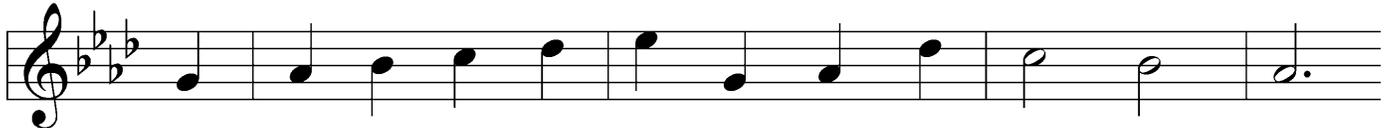
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798 "The God of Abraham Praise"

(please stand for the last stanza, sing "A-men")



1 The God of A - br'ham praise, Who reigns en - throned a - bove;
 2 The God of A - br'ham praise, At whose su - preme com - mand
 3 The God of A - br'ham praise, Whose all - suf - fi - cient grace
 4 He by Him - self has sworn; I on His oath de - pend.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.
 From earth I rise and seek the joys At His right hand.
 Shall guide me all my pil - grim days In all my ways.
 I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, To heav'n as - cend.



Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;
 I all on earth for - sake, Its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r,
 He deigns to call me friend; He calls Him - self my God.
 I shall be - hold His face; I shall His pow'r a - dore



I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.
 And Him my on - ly por - tion make, My shield and tow'r.
 And He shall save me to the end Through Je - sus' blood.
 And sing the won - ders of His grace For - ev - er - more.

5 Though nature's strength decay, And earth and hell withstand,
 To Canaan's bounds I urge my way At His command.
 The wat'ry deep I pass, With Jesus in my view,
 And through the howling wilderness My way pursue.

6 The goodly land I see, With peace and plenty blest:
 A land of sacred liberty And endless rest.
 There milk and honey flow, And oil and wine abound,
 And trees of life forever grow With mercy crowned.

7 There dwells the Lord our king, The Lord our righteousness,
 Triumphant o'er the world and sin, The Prince of Peace.

On Zion's sacred height His kingdom He maintains
And glorious with His saints in light Forever reigns.

- 8 The God who reigns on high The great archangels sing,
And "Holy, holy, holy!" cry, "Almighty King!
Who was and is the same And evermore shall be:
Jehovah, Father, great I AM! We worship Thee!"

Please stand if you are able

- 9 The whole triumphant host Give thanks to God on high.
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" They ever cry.
Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays:
All might and majesty are Thine And endless praise! A-MEN. Public domain

(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*)

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**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: 918 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”**

1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,



Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
 Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
 Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,



bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
 strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to



more; Feed me till I want no more.
 shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
 Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

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This Week With Our Lord, August 6-13, 2023

SUNDAY, August 6-

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

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service

Monday, August 7-

8:00 a.m. Faculty meeting in the school library

9:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilt Tying Day in the Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Sunday School Teachers' meeting

7:00 p.m. Board of Elders meeting in the Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. 8th grade class meeting for the BBQ

8:00 p.m. Board of Trustees meeting

Tuesday, August 8-

8:00 a.m. Faculty meeting in the school library

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

6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the science room

6:30 p.m. Board of Parish Education meets in school library

Wednesday, August 9-

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

2:00 p.m. Office Staff meeting

4:00 p.m. Baseball and Softball games at Sparta

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

Thursday, August 10- *SID Day of Spiritual Renewal here*

7:30 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Hosea)

9:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

TBD Baseball and Softball games at Marissa Tournament

6:30 p.m. Men's Club gathering with BBQ at Lions Park Pavilion

Saturday, August 12-

TBD Baseball and Softball games at Marissa Tournament

5:00 p.m. Divine Service- Acolyte: Colt Hess

6:45 p.m. Junior Youth at Grizzlies baseball game in Sauget

SUNDAY, August 13- *Daycare 20th Anniversary!*

8:00 a.m. Divine Service (Teacher Re-dedication)- Acolyte: Carson Moll

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion- Acolyte: Lilly Meyer

11:00 a.m. to ? Class of 2024 BBQ fundraiser at school

Noon Senior Youth gathering in church basement hangout

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 7/30- General: \$22,790.95; School: \$605; Debt: \$500; Automatic Giving: \$2,620. *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 14:17-18 – “They said to Jesus, ‘We have only five loaves here and two fish.’ And He said, ‘Bring them here to Me.’” The five loaves and two fish were all that the disciples

had. But when they handed them over to the Lord, the multitudes were fed. Apart from Jesus, all we do and all we have come to nothing. In Jesus, the Lord blesses all we do and have for His gracious work.

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

+Flowers on the pedestal this weekend are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the 30th wedding anniversary of Tim and Darla Hollmann on August 7th. They are a gift from their children and grandchildren. Thank you, congratulations and God's blessings!

+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 Nowak leading the topic of "We Preach Christ Crucified." This is the Bible Study for this past week's synodical convention.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 277; Communion: 214; Adult/Youth: 20; Sunday School:

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: "Who is Jesus?"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus says Jesus never needed to take a poll to figure out who He was or what He should do (Matthew 16:13b-16). Listen on KFUV 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:

Wednesday Women meet at 9:30 a.m. Their topic is Deb Burma's recent book, "Be Still and Know." Wednesday's class on 2nd Chronicles meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday's class on the Old Testament minor prophet Hosea meets at 7:30 a.m.

CONGRATULATIONS:

God has blessed Mark and Melissa (Seymour) Gramenz with the gift of life in the birth of their daughter, Brynlee Clare, Friday, July 28. She joins older brother Logan at home. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of a child!

MISSION PROJECT DAY:

On Monday, August 7 at 9:00 a.m. we invite everyone to help with this worthwhile project, young and old. No experience is necessary to assemble and tie quilts for mission projects. We will work from 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. and again 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Plan to work an hour or at your convenience.

MEN'S CLUB gathers Thu. Aug. 10, 6:30 p.m., at Lion's Pavilion for a BBQ.

JUNIOR YOUTH EVENT:

I invite students in grades four through eight, families, and congregation members to a fun night at Grizzlies stadium on Saturday, August 12. Game time is 6:45 p.m. and lawn seating

tickets are only \$10. Please RSVP by Monday, August 7 to me at 618-282-2958. *DCE Bill Becker*

SENIOR YOUTH will meet August 13 with a new member welcome event.

DAYCARE ANNIVERSARY:

St. John's Lutheran Daycare has been blessed to serve our Red Bud community for over 20 years! We will celebrate this momentous occasion on Sunday, August 13th from 11 a.m.–3 p.m. with a family event. Join us for food, games, a bounce house, a dunk tank and the Bubble Bus! The center will be open for tours along with indoor seating to eat. St. John's Class of 2024 will hold a fund-raising BBQ. All other activities are available at no cost. We welcome all to share in the fun! We would LOVE to welcome back former daycare families and staff members who have been a part of this amazing journey along the way.

+Our daycare needs a gently used dryer. If you have one for sale or donation, please contact Amanda at 618-282-3873, ext. 224. 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.

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 your time.

RECORDERS AND FLUTOPHONES:

Do you have an old recorder/flutophone sitting around gathering dust? Please "recycle" it by giving it to Mrs. Hudak! She will wash, sanitize, and re-use them for her 3rd and 4th grade music classes for the upcoming school year. Flutophones and recorders need to be in good condition (no chips, breaks, or teeth marks please!), but do NOT need to be in their original packaging. Please turn any flutophones and recorders into the office. Thank you!

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE: www.lutheransforlife

Why should anxiety over expenses darken a terminal diagnosis? Why should panic about poverty affect a surprise pregnancy? He who sends mouths also sends meat, even conjuring necessities out of thin air (Matthew 14:19). Our gracious Savior bestows in abundance, and the Body of Christ knows how to share. If God spends His riches on relationships, how can we do any better?

The Summer edition of LifeDate is available in the entryway for you to take.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

8/6- Lou Ann Gerlach, Harold VanHoy, Ron Schweizer, Ellizabeth Voges, Jamie Korando, Jennifer Preston, Cody Koch; 8/7- Vince Gunter, Lisa Millmann, Ryan Herriman, Kinley

Bowles, Benjamin Langrehr, Leeam McDaniel; 8/8- Barbara Korves, Vickie Heller, Wayne Husemann, Greg Guebert, Mark Ruebusch, Elizabeth Cowell, Briana Becker; 8/9- Brittney Stines, Amber Mollet, Norah Wagner, Briggs Henry; 8/10- Mathew Moeller, Lynleigh Wingerter; 8/11- Martha Rohlfing, Kathy Liefer, Scott Whelan, Michael Moll, Mackenzie Dilley, Katelyn Koester, Boone Foster; 8/12- Arlin Winkelman, Vernon Koester, Sharon DeRousse, Audrey Mueth. *Please call our office with any corrections!*

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Three Springs in Chester: Alice Smith, 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 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).

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.

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!

LCMS FOUNDATION:

All assets within your estate are God's gifts which you will gift to family and ministry when the Lord calls you home. It is good to pray for those who will receive these gifts. Often, people consider their inheritance as an entitlement. As Christians, we consider it pure grace to provide for family through estate gifts we will give them. What are the purposes for each family member you hope will be accomplished through these gifts? Remember to pray for these purposes, that the Lord's will may be done. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you articulate these purposes. Contact Scott Radden by email at Scott.Radden@LFND.org or call his cell phone at 618-977-4049.

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 Ecclesiastes 3-5 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), study Acts 11-14 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and dig into Confession in the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (8/12 at 10:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

ISSUES, ETC.:

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Old Testament & Baptism; Denying Jesus' Divinity; Seminex & the Supernatural; No-Fault Divorce and more. Tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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!

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 Altenburg. 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.

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. This service will be held Sunday, August 6, 2 p.m. 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.

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, Nov. 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. The first day of classes is August 15. For more information, contact Sherry Prange, sprange@coslhs.org or call the school office.

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Director of Parish Music – Mrs. Lindsey Hudak 618/340-6055

Director of Christian Education/School Librarian–Mr. Bill Becker 618/282-2958

Secretaries – Mrs. Leslie Froemling and Mrs. Sara Shepherd

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

Sherry Prange, Principal, Christ Our Savior Lutheran High, 618/853-7300

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 (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Bill Becker Athletic Director – Scott Voss

Upper Grades Mathematics: Kristin Sachtleben

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

Church Council

Chairman: Kevin Liefer Vice-Chairman: Michael DeRousse

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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Brian Nowak

Lector (*Sunday*): Seminarian Lucas Frauenhoff Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

Acolytes: (*5 p.m.*) Mallory Arbeiter; (*8 a.m.*) Carson Bowles; (*10:30 a.m.*) Colin Korando

Greeters: (*5 p.m.*) Stanley and Lynn Langrehr; (*8 a.m.*) Roger and Peggy Hanebutt; (*10:30 a.m.*) Jim and Judy Guebert

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

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