

THE PRELUDE: (5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) "Prelude in D Minor" arranged by JS Bach

(10:30 a.m.) "Song of Joy" by Bell Choir

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 819 "Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good"



1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, The au - thor of cre -
 2 What God's al - might - y pow'r has made, In mer - cy He is
 3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy
 4 He nev - er shall for - sake His flock, His cho - sen gen - er -
 5 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, Give God the praise and



a - tion, The God of love who un - der - stood
 keep - ing. By morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
 hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness
 a - tion; He is their ref - uge and their rock,
 glo - ry. Let all who know His pow'r pro - claim



Our need for His sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our
 His eye is nev - er sleep - ing. With - in the king - dom
 And came with peace to cheer us. For this we thank and
 Their peace and their sal - va - tion. As with a moth - er's
 A - loud the won - drous sto - ry. Cast ev - 'ry i - dol



souls He fills And ev - 'ry faith - less mur - mur stills:
 of His might All things are just and good and right:
 praise the Lord, Who is by one and all a - dored:
 ten - der hand, He leads His own, His cho - sen band:
 from its throne, For God is God, and He a - lone:



To God all praise and glo - ry!
 To God all praise and glo - ry!

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: **O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.** *(please be seated)*

ANTHEM: (8:00 a.m.) “Gather Your Children” Choir
(10:30 a.m.) “Jesus In the Morning” Bell Choir

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Jeremiah 11: 18-20

¹⁸The Lord made it known to me and I knew;
then you showed me their deeds.
¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.
I did not know it was against me
they devised schemes, saying,
“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
that his name be remembered no more.”
²⁰But, O Lord of hosts, who judges righteously,
who tests the heart and the mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them,
for to you have I committed my cause.

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

THE GRADUAL: Psalm 34: 9, 19, alt.

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: James 3:13 — 4:10

13Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. 14But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. 15This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. 16For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. 17But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. 18And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

1What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? 2You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. 3You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. 4You adulterous people!

Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. 5Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? 6But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” 7Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. 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:

Mark 9: 30-37

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 9th chapter. C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

30[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, 31for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” 32But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

33And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” 34But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. 35And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” 36And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, 37“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

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

(5 p.m. & 10:30 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. *(please be seated)*

(8 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)*

(8 a.m.) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: 725 "Children of the Heavenly Father"



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



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



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

HYMN OF THE DAY: 857 "Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way"



1 Lord, help us walk Your ser - vant way Wher -
 2 You came to earth, O Christ, as Lord, But
 3 No gold - en scep - ter but a towel You
 4 You bid us bend our hu - man pride Nor
 5 Lord, help us walk Your ser - vant way Wher -



ev - er love may lead And, bend - ing low, for -
 pow'r You laid a - side. You lived Your years in -
 place with - in the hands Of those who seek to
 count our - selves a - bove The low - est place, the
 ev - er love may lead And, bend - ing low, for -



get - ting self, Each serve the oth - er's need.
 ser - vant - hood; In low - li - ness You died.
 fol - low You And live by Your com - mands.
 mean - est task That waits the gift of love.
 get - ting self, Each serve the oth - er's need.

SERMON: *(Saturday)* “The Way of Strength” Mark 9: 30-37 *(Sunday)* Mark 9: 30-37

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: Ashlynn Crafton, Riley Foster, Jill Gross, Roger Hanebutt, Susie Harms, Ruth Hecht, Beth Kilpatrick, Peggy Koen, Rev. Russell Koen, Nancy Langrehr, Nancy Liefer, Jay Prigge, Julie Ratz, Marcy Watters; *Family/Friends of St. John’s Members:* Mary Gibson, Gerald Hitzemann, Tyson Moonier, Ron Pflueger, Bruce Quinn Sr, Ted Stellhorn.

Help us keep this list current!

MILITARY: Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, Chase 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 *(Please call with names.)*

EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: Fire/EMS- Jerre Atchison, Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Breanna Bingel, Savannah Cowell, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Curt Guebert, Jason Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin Miller, Craig Moll, 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

+those who mourn: family of Richard VanBuren; died in Lord on September 9

+those who mourn: family of Cletus Henry; died in Lord on September 13

+birth of a daughter to Kenneth & Samantha (Moeller) Wilson on September 13

+God’s guidance of our pastoral vacancy and for our call process

OFFERTORY: *(page 786)*

**Lord of all good, our gifts we bring You now;
Use them Your ho-ly pur-pose to ful-fill.
To-kens of love and pledg-es they shall be
That our whole life is of-fered to Your will.
Fa-ther, whose boun-ty all cre-a-tion shows;
Christ, by whose will-ing sac-ri-fice we live;
Spir-it, from whom all life in full-ness flows;
To You with grate-ful hearts our-selves we give.**

The 8 a.m. service continues with the Lord's Prayer, a Closing Prayer and Hymn.

(5 p.m. & 10:30 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 208ff.

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*.

PREFACE: *(we speak the responses) (page 208)*

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: *(page 208) (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 and LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

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 PAX DOMINI:

P:The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

THE 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)

ANTHEM: (10:30 a.m.) "Your Table I Approach" Choir

842 "Son of God, Eternal Savior"



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and
2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us
oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;
Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and pas - sion,
truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in
Free-ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the
Bid its cru - el dis - cords cease. By Your pa - tient years of
Hal - lows all our hu - man race: By Your pray - ing, by Your



glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your
 sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards
 toil - ing, By Your si - lent hours of pain, Quench our fe - vered
 will - ing That Your peo - ple should be one, Grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
 of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.
 thirst of plea - sure, Stem our self - ish greed of gain.
 hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth Your will be done.

637 "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
 3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;
 To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;
 And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,
 With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,
 O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow



Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.
 Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.
 As in this feast of love You bless us now.

543 "What Wondrous Love Is This?"



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, When
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And



won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this That
I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When I was sink-ing down Be-
God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the Lamb, Who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free, I'll



caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my
neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a-side His crown for my
is the great I AM, While mil-lions join the theme, I will
sing His love for me, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul!
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a-side His crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

(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" pages 211 (*please stand if you are able*)

**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.

BENEDICTION ANTHEM: (8:00 a.m.) "The Bach Benediction"

Choir

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: 727 “On Eagles’ Wings”



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, Who a -
2 snare of the fowl - er will nev - er cap-ture you, And
3 You need not fear the ter - ror of the night, Nor the
4 For to His an - gels He's giv - en a com - mand To



bide in His shad - ow for life,
fam - ine will bring you no fear;
ar - row that flies by day; Though
guard you in all of your ways; Up -



Say to the Lord: “My ref - uge, My
Un - der His wings your ref - uge, His
thou - sands fall a - bout you,
on their hands they will bear you up, Lest you



rock in whom I trust!”
faith - ful - ness your shield.
Near you it shall not come.
dash your foot a - gainst a stone.

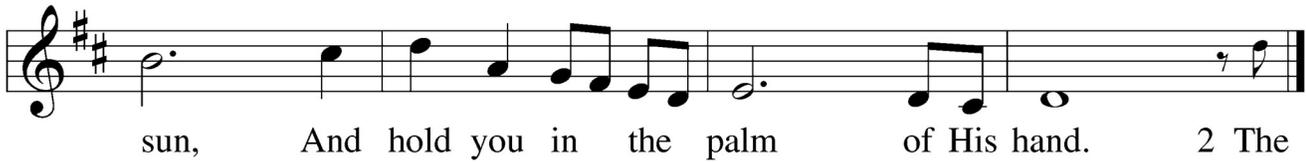
Refrain



And He will raise you up on ea - gles' wings,



Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the



POSTLUDE: “Son of God, Eternal Savior”

arranged by Paul D. Weber

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This Week With Our Lord, September 22-29, 2024

SUNDAY, September 22-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service Acolyte- Lucas Summers

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Brooke Wolter

Monday, September 23-

7:00 p.m. Choir in School Music Room

Tuesday, September 24-

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

9:45 a.m. Office Staff Meeting

SB Regionals Begin

Wednesday, September 25-

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

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

6:00 p.m. Mom’s Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, September 26-

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice at Church

Cross Country @ Immaculate Conception - Columbia

Friday, September 27-

9:30 a.m. Grandparents/Special Guest Day at School

10:30 a.m. ALL School Chapel at School

12:45 p.m. Faculty Meeting

Saturday, September 28-

7:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Breakfast

5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte- Grayden Schloemann

SUNDAY, September 29-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Aiden Arbeiter

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

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

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: **360**; Communion: **109**; Bible classes: **27**; Sunday School: **54**

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. 9/15- General: \$26,007.20; School: \$545. *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).*

ATTENTION PLEASE:

At the July Voter's it was voted on and approved to increase the amount the St. John's treasurer can request to **borrow** from the Estate Fund Committee. It was approved to increase the amount from \$100,000 to \$200,000. Currently, we have borrowed all \$200,000 that is available. Again, these funds are borrowed, **NOT AS A GIFT**, but as a loan that needs to be repaid. These funds were borrowed due to the increase in expenses so we could **make payroll**. We are looking at ways to solve this issue. **St John's needs your help to secure our future as a church and school.**

CALL PROCESS UPDATE:

SID President Sharr will be meeting with Elders and Council members on Monday, September 30th. This meeting will involve the next steps in our call process, which will take time. Once more information is available, it will be communicated to the congregation.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS STARTING:

Our New Member class will be starting on Wednesday, October 2nd at 5:30pm in the school library. If you or anyone you know are interested, please contact Pastor Nowak or the church office.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Luke 14:5 – “**And he said to them, ‘Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?’**” The time is always ripe to do right. God is always calling us to faithfulness and love, which is the fulfillment of the Law. The Pharisees wanted an easier law, something less than love, which was easier to keep. Why? Because they thought they had to in order to be saved. But since we know that Jesus saves by His sacrifice, we are free to see the real Law of love and to strive to fulfill it not out of fear, but out of thanksgiving.

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

+To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-2394 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "All He Has to Say"

The story of Jacob's Ladder is not a prompt for us to climb higher; it's a promise that God comes down to our level. (Genesis 28:15). Listen on KFUE AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m., on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM or on Sirius XM Family Talk 131 Sundays at 9 a.m.

CONGRATULATIONS:

God has blessed Kenneth & Samantha (Moeller) Wilson with the birth of a daughter, Isabella Dawn, at St. Mary's Hospital. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of a child!

HOLY BAPTISM:

+We welcome Charlotte Bernice, Mason James, & Peyton Leigh Salger into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the early Sunday service. They are the children of Todd & Mary (Ivy) Salger. Their baptismal sponsors are Dillon Salger & Anna Fritchman. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES:

Adult Bible Class will be led by Pastor Mark Winkelman & will meet in the Fellowship Hall this Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Mr. Palm's class on the Angels and Demons will meet this Sunday in the School Library.

8TH GRADE TRIP TRAVEL OPPORTUNITY:

The current 8th grade class of 2025 has **5 spots available** for guests on their class trip. The dates of the trip are April 24-May 2, 2025. The following cities and various stops will be included: Williamstown, KY, Charlottesville, VA, Jamestown, VA, Williamsburg, VA, Mt. Vernon, VA, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, PA, Gettysburg, PA, Somerset, PA, and Dayton, OH. A \$500 deposit is required to hold your spot by Dec. 1 and will be added to the remaining balance owed. Several meals, all entrance fees, and hotel costs are included. An estimated per guest cost sharing a double room is \$1,400. An estimated single guest room will be \$1,700. If you are interested in joining us on this trip please let Mr. Bill Becker know at your earliest convenience at 618-282-2958.

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD NEEDED:

The city of Red Bud is searching for a school crossing guard. This position requires two hours of work each school day. Interested individuals would begin immediately and serve for the remainder of the school year and possibly beyond. If interested, please reach out to City Hall at 618-282-2315.

OPENING FOR FOURTH GRADE TEACHER:

St. John's Lutheran School seeks a 4th-grade homeroom teacher. Applicants can use the link, <https://forms.gle/C6VUxnZ671Qrdgo7A>, to learn more about the position and send in a resume for review. You may also call the office Monday through Friday from 9:00 to 3:00 for more information. We have competitive pay and a great benefits package which includes insurance for the employee and a pension. We look forward to the responses that come in and await the plans and people God has in store for St. John's Lutheran School.

BELL CHOIR: *Two Ringers Needed!!*

Bell Choir needs 2 more ringers this year: one to play G6 and A6 (small bells) and one to play F5 and G5 (medium bells). All you need is an ability to count and keep a steady beat. Reading music is NOT a requirement! Your notes will be marked for you if needed! If you are interested, please contact me!
Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES: It's that time of the year when I need you to forward your college aged members of St. John's Lutheran college addresses. The Sr Youth has agreed to assemble and send them a care package in October. Becker@stjohnsredbud.org 618-282-2958(text or leave a msg.)

THANK YOU:

On behalf of the faculty and staff of St. John's Lutheran we would like to say thank you for all the wonderful support shown to the Kilpatrick family at the benefit BBQ and bake sale this past weekend. Beth also says "I am beyond grateful for everyone that helped or came through the line today! The amount of support from St. John's and the community is overwhelming and greatly appreciated!"

CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS DINNER:

St John's Lutheran Church of Bremen in Chester are having a chicken & dumplings dinner on **September 29th** from 11am to 1pm. Dine in or Carry out. \$12 Adults, \$5 Children ages 6-10, and ages 5 and under are free.

COUGAR MAGNET FUNDRAISER:

Class of 2028 is selling St. John's Lutheran Cougars Car Magnets to raise money for their 8th grade class trip! The cost is 1 for \$10 or 2 for \$18. Payments can be made by cash, checks payable to St. John's Lutheran Class of 2028, or send Venmo to @Stephanie-Valleroy-1. Deadline to order is **October 10th**. Please return forms with payment to the school office. Additional forms are available in the school office. Thank you for your support!

COUGAR PROWL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY:

PTL is looking for business sponsors for our upcoming Cougar Prowl Fun Run on **October 10th!** In the past, these donations have allowed us to keep over 95% of the money raised at SJL. A \$250 sponsorship helps cover the cost of t-shirts, classroom rewards, and other supplies to make this a great event for all involved! Please let us know if your local business is interested in sponsoring this fun event! Thank you!

PASTOR APPRECIATION CELEBRATION:

Please come join us in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's Lutheran Church on **Sunday, October 13**, immediately following the 10:30 service to celebrate our Pastors which God has provided our church and school. This will be a pot-luck event with St. John's providing the meat, cake, and drinks. We welcome all ages to this celebration of our Pastors.

CHICKEN & PORK SAUSAGE DINNER:

St. Pius V Catholic Church in Walsh are having a chicken & pork sausage dinner on **October 20th** from 11am to 2pm. Dine in or carry out.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

9/22- Dorothy Heizer, Kristine Baldwin, Jonathan Koen, Alexandra Yarolimek, Daniel Stapleton;
9/23- Rodney Koester, Benjamin Guebert, Shane Hewitt; 9/24- Gary Moeller, Deborah Lewis, LuAnn Kaaz, Kirk Liefer, Samuel Schumacher; 9/25- Christine Cox, Rachael Liefer, Lane

Pollard; 9/26- Paul Mollet, Sondra Braun, Quinn Johnson, Abigail Vallett, Easton Ruebusch; 9/27- Alice Duclos, Pamela Stellhorn, Hannah Sievers, Addelyn Moll, June Russell; 9/28- Edward Luttman, Milton Weber, Carolyn Cooper, Eric Hartmann, Rebekah Liefer, Heidi Wetzel, Dustin Diemert. *Please call our office with corrections!*

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. To serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at dvheller@htc.net or 618/521-7417. Call our office to add someone to our worship prayers. *Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective (James 5:16).*

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Three Springs-Chester: Eunice Wiatr; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Mary Gross, Jean Menke & Jody Winkelmann; Magnolia Terrace-Waterloo: June Lawrence; Cedarhurst Memory Care-Waterloo: Martha Rohlfing; Bethesda Gardens-Kirkwood: Ruth Hecht; Freeburg Care Center: Dorothy Byers & Wil Guebert; Ruma R&R: Kenneth & Geraldine Koester.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Kathryn Chunn, Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer & Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Dorothy Papenberg, Darleen Scheffert, Paul Schrieber, Carl & Flo Zschiegner, Arlin & Helen Winkelman.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Pat Byer, Don & Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Barb Korves, LuAnn Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttman, Viola Muench, Harold Thies, Trudy Woolbright

ELDER ZONES FOR 2024: (Chairman, Jeremy Stellhorn)

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

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Louis Stellhorn (618/623-8495)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann thru 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 thru Janel Maes- Elder Gary Buatte (618/719-5034)

Zone 6: Pat Malik thru Lanie Pensoneau- Elder Stuart Langrehr (618/304-5082)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru Don Schrader- Elder Kalin Liefer (618/792-8277)

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Michael Schnepel (618/363-9575)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann - Carl/Flo Zschiegner- Elder Joshua Voss (618/719-1840)

LCMS FOUNDATION:

The gift planning process of an estate plan requires multi-channel communication. Your estate plan requires someone to serve in an executor/trustee role, as well as carrying out the power of attorney responsibilities. It is a mistake to not share with them your plans now while you can discuss and clarify. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help to share copies of legal documents with your chosen people encouraging you to follow through with this step. Contact Scott Radden at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org for more information or to start your plan.

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

In Mark 9:36-37, Jesus explicitly instructs us to receive children as His own precious treasures. Sometimes this does indeed involve difficulty, but our God enlists both the Prophet Jeremiah (11:20) and the apostle James (4:7) to encourage us in resisting selfish ambition and committing this cause to the Lord. He will sustain the Gospel-motivated voice For Life until it succeeds!

SID CONVENTION NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN AND NEEDED:

Nominations are open for the offices to be elected by the Southern Illinois District Convention, February 20-22, 2025. Ordained and Commissioned members of the SID, and Lay members of an SID congregation may nominate individuals to the various offices to be elected, except for the offices of President and Vice-President. Our district needs faithful, qualified nominees who are willing to stand for election and serve if elected. Our district needs you to nominate those people of God. The nominations form is found at <https://sidlcms.org/nominations/>. The deadline for nominations is **October 31, 2024**. Please nominate early and often.

In Christ, Rev. Benjamin Ball, Chairman SID Commission of Nominations & Elections

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, we will be wrapping up our study of Psalm 119 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), after which we will take a dive into the book of Numbers. Thy Strong Word will conclude its study of Hosea (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and then we'll be turning to the end of the Bible to begin a study of the book of Revelation. Finally, don't forget to tune into Concord Matters this Saturday (9/28 at 11:00 a.m.) for a discussion on the cause of sin. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

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

Boys & Girls Basketball Coach needed: If you know of someone who would be willing to coach our boys or girls teams, please contact Lisa Luebkekmann.

Cross Country: Nashville meet on September 23rd.

Volleyball: Dupo JV @ home September 26 at 6pm.

Trap Shooting Team: will be shooting @Rend Lake Shooting Complex on Sept. 28 & 29.

Annual Dinner Auction: We are in the process of planning our annual dinner auction, which will be held on **Saturday, November 2**. We have started collecting items for the silent and live auction. If you would like to help us collect donations, please call the office. Reservations for the Dinner Auction are \$35 ea. or \$245 for a table of 8.

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Vacancy Pastor Art Eichhorn 314/882-1983

Associate Pastor Brian Nowak 708/369-7741

Principal – Mr. Justin Palm 618/214-1103

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

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

Secretaries – Mrs. Sara Shepherd and Miss Cynthia Wilson

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

Junior Youth – Erin Kuehn 618/581-5928

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 – Cindy Nebel

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens

Sixth Grade Homeroom – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben Athletic Director – Scott Voss

Before/After School Care – Susan Luttmann

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, Brooke Supancic, Pam Henry, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Reith, Kaitlin Schmitz, Haley Ehler, Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer, Brittany Smith, Callen Reitz, Madison Falkenhain, Leah Johnston, Lori Johnston, Kaitlyn Brown, Emma Trost, Madison Trask, Sarah Beth Nieweglowski, Mycah Clements, Tori Muench, Diane Everding, Molly Huether, Cailee Strong

Church Council

Chairman: Kevin Liefer Vice-Chairman: Michael DeRousse

Secretary: Joan Ruwald Treasurer: Eric Fritsche Board of Finance: Jill Gross

Elder Chair: Jeremy Stellhorn Parish Education Chair: Derek Uffelmann

Trustee Chair: Leonard Salger Estate Fund Chair: Brian Guebert

Lutheran High School Board: Vickie Heller and Christina Gidley

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: (Saturday) Pastor Art Eichhorn (Sunday) Pastor Mark Winkelman
Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak Children's Message/Lector (8 a.m.): DCE Bill Becker
Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Sutton Jones; (8 a.m.) Lucas Summers; (10:30 a.m.) Brooke Wolter
Greeters: (5 p.m.) Stanley & Lynn Langrehr; (8 a.m.) Clyde & Kathy Rowold
(10:30 a.m.) Jim & Judy Guebert
Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr
Flower Servers: Betty Schmitz Paraments: Ella Hemmer