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October 20, 2024

11:00 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE



St. John's Lutheran Church is part of the North American Lutheran Church. We welcome you and are glad you are participating in the Service of Word and Sacrament this morning as we celebrate the **Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost**. Please register your attendance in the blue pad at the end of the pew. HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated the first and third Sundays of each month and on Festival Sundays. All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.

Prayer upon entering God's House:

Almighty God, You deserve all our thanks and praise. Our pockets may be lined with riches, our homes filled with treasures, but without Your blessings, Lord, we have nothing. Only by Your grace and Your love will we prosper. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE "Hymn to Joy" *arr. Wold*

***BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen

P Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

***OPENING HYMN** "When Morning Gilds the Sky" *LBW 546*

***GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

*KYRIE



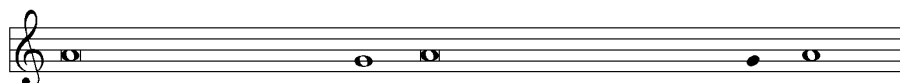
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



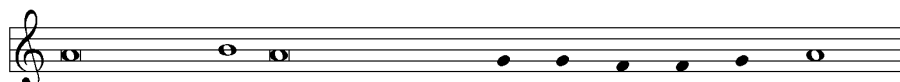
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **G** A - men

*HYMN OF PRAISE



A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:

We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Sovereign God, You turn Your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of Your kingdom, and make us desire always and only Your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

AMEN

FIRST LESSON:**ISAIAH 53:4–12**

A The First Lesson is from the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah.

⁴ Surely, he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.

⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.

⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to his own way;
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

⁷ He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he opened not his mouth.

⁸ By oppression and judgment he was taken away;
and as for his generation, who considered
that he was cut off out of the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people?

⁹ And they made his grave with the wicked
and with a rich man in his death,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰ Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;
he has put him to grief;
when his soul makes an offering for guilt,
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

¹¹ Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,
make many to be accounted righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

¹² Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,
because he poured out his soul to death
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and makes intercession for the transgressors.

A Here ends the reading.

PSALM:**Psalm 91: 9-16**

⁹Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
and the Most High your habitation,

¹⁰**there shall no evil happen to you,
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.**

¹¹For he shall give his angels charge over you,
to keep you in all your ways.

¹²**They shall bear you in their hands,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

¹³You shall tread upon the lion and the adder;
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

¹⁴**Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him;
I will protect him, because he knows my name.**

¹⁵He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

¹⁶**With long life will I satisfy him,
and show him my salvation.**

SECOND LESSON:**HEBREWS 5:1-10**

A The Second Lesson is from the fifth chapter of Hebrews.

For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.

²He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;

⁶as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
after the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

A Here ends the reading.

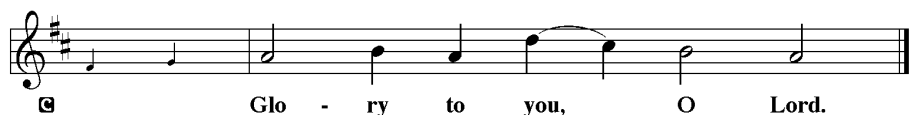
***VERSE**



GOSPEL:

MARK 10:35-45

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the tenth chapter.



³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."

³⁶ And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹ And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹ And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

P The Gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN'S SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus"

LBW 389

SERMON

"WHO AM I?"

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

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THE RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

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ANTHEM

“The Church’s One Foundation”

arr. Althouse

*OFFERTORY

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
 it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
 not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the
 joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

*THE PRAYERS

A Let us intercede before the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ for the sake of the Church, the world, and one another.

A brief silence

A Father, thank you for the wealth and pleasures we have. Help us not get too attached to them. Thank you for Jesus’ hard words and loving example. Help us stay forever attached to him.

A LORD In Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Other intercessions are offered.

P Into Your hands, O LORD, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ our LORD.

C Amen

*THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

***BENEDICTION**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



CLOSING HYMN

“Borning Cry”

WOV 770

***DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Postlude”

Ridout

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A Nursery/Cry Room is available on the second floor of the Education Building for those who may need it.



Everyone is invited for a time of fellowship following worship in the Gathering space after worship.

***In Commemoration of the
200th Anniversary of
St John’s Lutheran Church***

“Singing Our Faith”



A Hymn Festival celebrating the heritage of our church through song will be held on Sunday, November 10, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Featuring the Senior Vocal Choir and Senior Bell Choir along with Brass Ensemble and congregation.

Please join us ~ Reception to follow

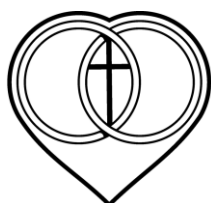


**Sacrament of
Holy Baptism**

Today we welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism Avía Blaire, Vieira Snow, and Vaila Storm Clever, daughters of Angela B. Clever.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHNS

Today	8:30 a.m.	Worship: Rock of Our Salvation
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Group
Wednesday 10/23	9:30 a.m.	Children's Hour
	5:00 p.m.	Trunk or Treat
	5:30 p.m.	New Bells
	6:15 p.m.	Senior Bells
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	7:30 p.m.	Senior Choir
Thursday 10/24	9:30 a.m.	Children's Hour
	1:00 p.m.	Newsletter Mailing
	2:45 p.m.	Catechism
	7:00 p.m.	Catechism
Saturday 10/26	5:00 p.m.	200 th Anniv. Bonfire St. Mark's
Sunday 10/27	9:30 a.m.	Junior Choir
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Group



Sophia Whiteman and Elijah Holt have announced their intention to marry on October 26, 2024. Please pray for them as they prepare for their life together.

For 200 years St. John's has been a bright beacon of Christ's light and life for the world.

***200 years and the work continues:
That all might know Christ's Love.***

Katie's Cupboard Supply List

Personal Care Items

- Shampoo/conditioner, Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes
- Moisturizer, Pads/tampons, Diapers/wipes, Deodorant,

Paper Products

- Paper towels, Toilet paper, Kleenex

Nonperishable Foods

- Peanut butter and jelly in plastic
- Boxed/bagged grains/beans: rice, couscous, quinoa, red beans, white beans
- Pasta: dry pasta, bagged pasta meals, mac n' cheese
- Pasta sauce in plastic, Cereal: cold and hot
- Peanut butter and other snack crackers
- Applesauce, Dried fruits, Granola bars
- Canned complete meals (Dinty Moore, Lasagna, Spaghetti O's)
- Canned vegetables, Canned fruits
- Dry Goods (coffee, hot chocolate, tea, flour, powdered milk, sugar), Cake mixes, cornbread mixes, muffin/pastry mixes
- Canned meats (SPAM, Vienna sausage, tuna, chicken)

We also welcome cash donations so that the Social Ministry Committee can do the shopping for you. Thank you for your support!



On **Sunday, October 27th** following worship we will eat, drink and celebrate! This year it's for everyone from one to ninety-nine. Bring your appetite for Reformation food and get ready to frolick the day away.

Be sure to wear RED on Sunday, October 27th!

The fellowship committee is looking for volunteers to set the Fellowship Hall, decorate and set up the space for Sunday Reformation/200th anniversary celebration. If you can lend some muscle, please come October 26th at 9am to help! Additionally, we will need volunteers to help clean up after the event on the 27th. Any help would be greatly appreciated! Thank you.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Assisting Ministers	Julie Smith (E) Nancy Pierce (L)
Lectors	Delaney Smith (E) Val Lager (L)
Comm Assistants	Jamie & Noelle Smoyer (E)
Welcome Team	Connie McMaster, Megan & Ava Rupp (E) Linda Charley and Mollie Bouch (L)
Acolytes	Anna Venesky (E) Lucas Bowser (L)
Camera Operators	Nick Wranich (E) Elizabeth John (L)

STAFF MEMBERS

Director of Children's & Youth Ministry	Julie Smith
Secretary	Angela B. Clever
Sexton	Colin Toy
Organist/Choir Director/Director of Music	Rebecca Veith
Sr. Choir Accompanist	Elizabeth Cramer



The flowers on the altar this morning are presented to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Helen Berringer at her 99th birthday by Karen Waugaman.

OUR MISSION

St. John's Lutheran Church is a group of people who believe that we are saved by God's grace and who respond to God's love by joyfully serving God, each other, our community and our world. We will humbly and lovingly serve by proclaiming the Gospel, teaching the Word, offering Sacraments, leading others to fellowship, supporting those in need, giving generously of our talents as well as our resources and by thanking and praising God.

GRACE
happens



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