

# St. John's Lutheran Church

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The Rev. Carl A. Johnson, Pastor

**June 5, 2022**

**11:00 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE**



"Peace I leave with you;  
my peace I give you.

I do not give to you as the  
world gives.

Do not let your hearts be  
troubled  
and do not be afraid."

John 14:27

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 the Word this morning as we celebrate the **Festival of 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, on this holy day we thank You for sending Your Holy Spirit to Your Church. Revive us, refresh us, and renew us by Your power. Help us to respond to Your calling, filled once more with devotion to You now through Your Holy Spirit. Amen.*

**PRELUDE**

“Oceans”

Hillsong

**Soloist: Marlee Smith**

**\*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** We worship this day in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God.

*Silence for self-examination.*

**P** Holy and gracious God,

**C I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness.**

**P** The Almighty and Merciful Lord grants you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

“The Church’s One Foundation”

LBW 369

**\*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**



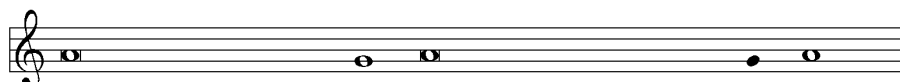
**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **B** Lord, have mer - cy.



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



**B** Lord, have mer - cy.



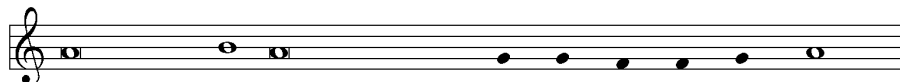
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



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



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

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the  
hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and  
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain  
has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

**P** Let us pray.

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as You sent upon the disciples the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, look upon Your Church and open our hearts to the power of the Spirit. Kindle in us the fire of Your love, and strengthen our lives for service in Your kingdom; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

**Amen**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**      *“The Commission”*      Song By Cain, David Blake  
Neesmith, Carter Jon Frodge, Madison Cain, Taylor Cain, Logan Cain

**Solists: Jerah Wranich and Emily Bouch      Accompanist: Ken King**

**FIRST LESSON:                      Acts 2:1–21                      Emily Bouch**

**A** The First Lesson is from the second chapter of Acts.

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them.

<sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup> And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup> both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” <sup>12</sup> And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup> But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup> For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup> But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;

<sup>18</sup> even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

<sup>20</sup> the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

<sup>21</sup> And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

**A** Here ends the reading.

## PSALM:

## Psalm 104:25–35, 37

Marlee Smith



O LORD, how manifold | are Your works!\*

In wisdom You have made them all; the earth is full | of Your creatures.

**26Yonder is the great and wide sea  
with its living things too man- | y to number,\*  
creatures both | small and great.**

**27**There move the ships, and there is | that Leviathan,\*  
which You have made for the | sport of it.

**28All of them | look to You\*  
to give them their food | in due season. R**

**29**You give it to them; they | gather it;\*  
You open Your hand, and they are filled | with good things.

**30You hide Your face, and | they are terrified,\*  
You take away their breath,  
and they die and return | to their dust.**

**31**You send forth Your Spirit, and they | are created;\*  
and so You renew the face | of the earth.

**32May the glory of the LORD en- | dure forever;\*  
may the LORD rejoice in | all His works. R**

**33**He looks at the earth | and it trembles;\*  
He touches the mountains | and they smoke.

**34I will sing to the LORD as long | as I live;\*  
I will praise my God while | have my being.**

**35**May these words | of mine please Him;\*  
I will rejoice | in the LORD.

**37Bless the LORD, | O my soul.\*  
Hal- | lelujah! R**

## SECOND LESSON: Romans 8:14–17

Jerah Wranich

**A** The Second Lesson is from the 8th chapter of Romans.

**14** For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. **15** For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” **16** The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, **17** and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

**A** Here ends the reading.

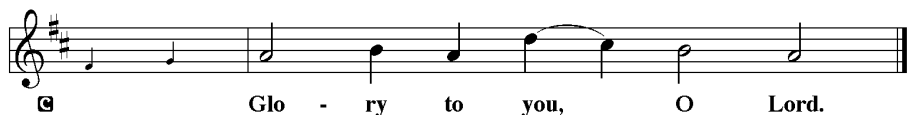
**\*VERSE**



**GOSPEL:**

**John 14:8–17, 25–27**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.



<sup>8</sup> Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.”

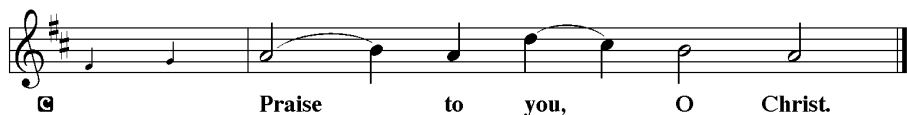
<sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? <sup>10</sup> Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup> Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

<sup>12</sup> “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

<sup>15</sup> “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup> even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

<sup>25</sup> “These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

**L** The Gospel of the Lord.



## CHILDREN'S SERMON

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY** “Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove” LBW 475

## SERMON

### **\*NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen**

### **\*THE PRAYERS**

By the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray to God our Father in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord, making intercession for the Church, the world, and for all people according to their need.

*A brief silence*

Come Holy Spirit! Set our hearts on fire with love for God and one another. Propel us into the war zones of hatred, despair, and unbelief kindling our tongues to speak words of grace, truth, and life. Lord in Your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**



*(Other intercessions are offered.)*

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

**C** Amen

**\*PEACE**

**P** The peace of the LORD be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

**SENIOR CHOIR ANTHEM** *"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"* arr. Schram

**\*OFFERTORY**



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

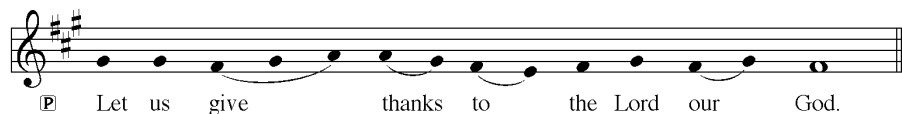
**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**A** Let us pray.

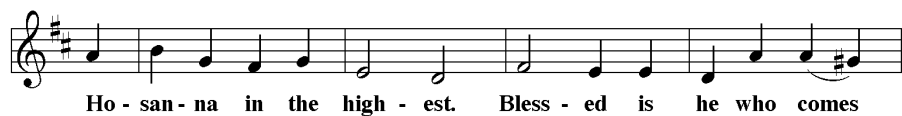
**A** Blessed are You,

**C** O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to Your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that You have made, for the sake of Him who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



**P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who rose beyond the bounds of death and, on this day, as He had promised, poured out Your Spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples. At this the whole earth exults in boundless joy. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:



**\*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**P** Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:  
Endless is Your mercy and eternal Your reign.  
You have filled all creation with light and life;  
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Through Abraham You promised to bless all nations.  
You rescued Israel, Your chosen people.  
Through the prophets You renewed Your promise;  
and, at this end of all the ages, You sent Your Son,  
who in words and deeds proclaimed Your kingdom  
and was obedient to Your will, even to giving His life.

In the night in which He was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup  
we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**P** Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup  
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of His resurrection, we await His coming in power  
to share with us the great and promised feast.

**C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,  
the spirit of our Lord and of His resurrection,  
that we who receive the Lord's body and blood  
may live to the praise of Your glory  
and receive our inheritance with all Your saints in light.

**C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

**P** Join our prayers with those of Your servants of every time and  
every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our  
Great High Priest until He comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the u - ni - ty  
 of the Ho - ly Spir - it, all hon - or and glo - ry is  
 yours, al - might - y Fa - ther, now and for - ev - er. A - men

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;  
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

*LBW 198, 488, 467, 390, 499*

**\*COMMUNION**

*All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present  
 In the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.  
 Gluten-Free Communion Wafers are available, please inform the Pastor of your needs.*

The body of Christ, given for you.  
**Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**\*BLESSING**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**C Amen**

**\*CANTICLE**



☩ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev- 'ry- one what he has done.



Let ev- 'ry- one who seeks the Lord re- joice and proud- ly bear his name.



He re- calls his prom- is- es and leads his peo- ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**\*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**A** Let us pray....We give You thanks almighty God, that You have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our LORD.

**C 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.



☩ A - men

**RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*"Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid"*

*LBW 164*

**\*DISMISSAL**

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*"Whitsunday Processional"*

*Hewitt-Jones*

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



Congratulations to our confirmands:

*Emily Jane Bouch  
Marlee Bernice Smith  
Jerah Lynae Wranich*

Please join us after worship today for a reception in honor of our confirmands.



Sunday, June 12, 2022 is the date St. John's will recognize their 2022 graduates. Graduates will be recognized on Sunday with a Fellowship hour in the Social Hall following the 11:00 worship and will also participate in the 11:00 service. **If you are a high school, college or tech school graduate or know of someone who is, please contact the church office at (724) 548-2051. Email the office at [stjohnskittanning@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnskittanning@gmail.com) for forms. Pictures are also needed to complete our graduate brochure. Please return information by June 6.**

*St. John's Congregation is honoring their  
over 80 members!*

*You are invited to enjoy a luncheon  
after 11:00 a.m. worship  
Sunday, June 26, 2022  
in the Social Hall*

*Please respond to the church office  
by June 16, 2022  
724-548-2051*

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

<b>TODAY</b>	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Worship: Communion & Confirmation
	12:00 p.m.	Confirmands Reception
<b>Monday 6/6</b>	7:00 p.m.	Property meeting
<b>Sunday 6/12</b>	8:30 a.m.	Worship: Rock of Our Salvation
	10:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Graduate Recognition Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Graduate Fellowship Hour

## THE PENTECOST GERANIUMS

### ARE PRESENTED TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND

#### IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

#### GIVEN BY:

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Dale & Jeane Smart	Ruth Ann & Daniel D. Crawford
James Brown	Corinna (Brown) Stonage
Esther Choncek	Butch Choncek
Henry & Cheryl Livengood	Keith Livengood & Rachel Flischel
Elon & Lola Thorell	Richard & Kay Thorell
Edgar & Alberta Schreckengost	Richard & Kay Thorell
Stephen & Alice Ignatz	Steve & Diana Ignatz
Bob & Doris Smail	Steve & Diana Ignatz
Twila Black	Roger & Cheryl Mechling
Janie Bruner	Roger & Cheryl Mechling
William Mechling	Roger & Cheryl Mechling
Loved Ones	Ryan & Sara Shafer
Raymond Smith	Naomi Smith
Carrie & Ron Hawkins	Naomi Smith
Phyllis & Duane Bish	Elizabeth John
Rose Jazwinski	Jazwinski & Bailey families
Edith Tubbs	Jazwinski & Bailey families
Don Runninger	Carol Runninger
Derian Keefer	Donna Livengood
Don Runninger	Donna Livengood

## THE PENTECOST GERANIUMS

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Our Confirmands	Gene Hughes
Chris, Connie, Brandon, Tyler & Anna	Butch Choncek
Jeff, Austin & Ashleigh	Butch Choncek
Eva & Elizabeth Shafer	Ryan & Sara Shafer
Matt, Julie, Delaney, Cassidy & Marlee Smith	Rose & Emil Debnar

Naomi Smith	Rose & Emil Debnar
Christine Schall	Rose & Emil Debnar
Jeff, Jason, Wendy, Rochelle, Zach, Tyler, Jaslyn Debnar	Rose & Emil Debnar
Carol Runninger	Donna Livengood
Donna Livengood & family	Carol Runninger
Barb Brown & family	Carol Runninger
Kendall, Brendon, Christopher & Ashley Ignatz, Allison & Mitchell Ignatz	Steve & Diana Ignatz
Stephen, Celeste, Adelaide, Cecilia & Juliette Livengood	Keith Livengood & Rachel Flischel
Stephen, Rebecca, Liam & Mara Lash	Keith Livengood & Rachel Flischel
Richard Fite, Madison Flischel	Keith Livengood & Rachel Flischel

**SERVICE PARTICIPANTS**

Assisting Minister	Charlesetta Bleakney
Lectors	Confirmands
Communion Assistants	Confirmands
Acolytes	Cassidy & Delaney Smith
	Mollie Bouch, Mitchell Wranich
Greeters	The Baileys
Camera Operator	Robert John

**STAFF MEMBERS**

Director of Children's & Youth Ministry	Julie Smith
Secretary	Christine Lettrich
Sexton	Michael Craft
Organist/Choir Director/Director of Music	Rebecca Veith
Sr. Choir Accompanist	Elizabeth Cramer

**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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**Kittanning, PA**