

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

April 3, 2022
8:00am & 10:45am



St. John Lutheran Church and School

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

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Divine Service I with Holy Communion

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**stand as you are able*

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WELCOME TO ST. JOHN! We ask members and guests to fill out an attendance card located by the hymnals; indicate your attendance at Holy Communion. Cards may be placed in the offering plate. Note that there are two glasses in the center of each tray with diluted wine.

SERVING TODAY - Preaching & Presiding: Rev. Jeff Caithamer. **Organist:** Keith Williams. **Elders:** 8:00 – Andy, Dave, Rex, Bob; 10:45 – Matt, Harold, John, Nick. **Ushers:** 8:00 – Nicholas & Everett; 10:45– Jordan & Peter.

ABOUT THE LORD’S SUPPER: Our congregation is a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, a family of congregations who pledge themselves to teach and to believe the same doctrines. We invite those persons who are members in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or of a church in fellowship with the LCMS to receive the sacrament. We want to express our sincere welcome to guests and to assure them that it is in their spiritual interest that we practice closed communion. Guests desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to make an appointment to speak with our pastor.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY – The altar flowers are given today by Joyce. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *following surgery:* Mark; *for healing, peace, and comfort:* Karl-brother of Judy; *for healing and recovery:* Byron, Judy, Lindsey, Lindermann, Roger- father of Stephanie, Jim, Brian, Larry, Teresa, Barbara, Maelynn, Karla, Whitney, Barbara, John, Tom, Hendricks, Maria, Merv, Rebecca, Roy, Dan, Todd, Brett; *for successful treatments:* Barb, Luke, Earl, Linda, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy; *for our college students:* Ben, Nadia, Charlie; *for those in the military:* Adam, Nick, Andy, Brandon, Zachary, David; *for our homebound:* Gaylord, Geneice.

For requests for the prayer chain or to be added to the chain:

<http://stjohnmedia.org/church/PrayerList.html>

OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today *5th Sunday in Lent;* 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 9:45 Mixed Choir 10:45 Holy Communion; 1:00 New Member Class

Tuesday 5:15 Fellowship; 6:00 Trustees, Evangelism; 6:30 School Board

Wednesday 8:10 Chapel; 10:00 Adult Bible Class 3:30 Lenten Service; 5:45 Midweek; 6:00 Handbells; 7:15 Lenten Service

Sunday *Palm Sunday;* 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion; 1:00 New Member Class

Music Notes – Mixed Choir will meet today at 9:45. All voices are welcome.

Tuesday/Wednesday Adult Bible Class will meet on Wednesday April 6th this week. Class will be meeting in the Sanctuary instead of the Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

Lenten Dinners – Please join us for our Lenten dinner on Wednesday, April 6th.

There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board next to the church office to help bring something or to help serve. We look forward to seeing you there. Thank you.

April E.A.T. Night – E.A.T. at Culver's on Monday, April 11th from 5-8pm. Culver's (2302 S. Neil St. Champaign) is donating a portion of sales back to the St. John Lutheran School PTF. Dine-In, carry out, and drive thru are all included. Unlike past E.A.T. Nights at Culvers, flyers are needed this month. Please present the flyer at time of purchase or time of pick up, if online order. Flyers are available on the narthex table and on the school website www.stjohnls.com. Thank you for your continued support of these events.

St. John Lutheran School is growing and looking to hire more teachers. We are seeking an additional teacher for a second Kindergarten and 1st Grade combined classroom. We are also seeking a Middle School Teacher who will specialize in Science and Math. Please forward names, phone numbers, and email addresses for any suggested candidates to Principal Jonathan Kamin. Any interested candidates may also submit a resume and cover letter to Mr. Kamin's email. All candidates must be practicing, active members of a Christian church.

Lift Chair Available – There is a member with a lift chair available. If you or someone you know might be interested, please contact the church office.

EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

Adult Bible Class – led by Pastor Caithamer in the fellowship hall

Sunday School – Kindergarten through High School will meet in the Sanctuary for opening before class. 3/4yrs will meet in their classroom for opening.

3/4yrs	Room 4C	4 th -5 th	Room 1C
K-1 st	Room 4A	6 th -8 th	Conference Room
2 nd -3 rd	Room 2C	High School	Youth Room

The LWML is hosting a Salad Luncheon on Saturday, April 23rd, starting at 11:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are invited—members of our congregation, neighbors, friends, mothers, daughters. Bring your favorite salad; come to share good food and once again people's smiles.

Show Me Dough Fundraiser – Order forms are available on the narthex table.

Return order forms to the school office by Wednesday, April 6th. Orders will be delivered on Tuesday, April 12th and can be picked up in the fellowship hall from 5:30-6:00pm. Proceeds will go towards curriculum and classroom supplies.

Prairie Gardens Gift Cards – Before you start your spring planting, get your \$20 gift card from St. John PTF. Gift cards can be used on any purchase at Prairie Gardens, do not expire, and will carry a balance if you spend less than \$20. Cards are available in the school office.

Enrollment for 2022-2023 – St. John Lutheran School and Little Lamb Preschool offer a Christ-centered education for students age three through eighth grade. Our caring, skilled teachers use a variety of strategies to engage students' minds in a safe learning environment, with the focus on teaching every subject with a Biblical worldview. Little Lamb Preschool offers morning and full day classes. Two-day (T/TH), three-day (M/W/F), and five-day options are available. Tell everyone about our wonderful school. Enrollment for the fall has begun. For more information, contact the school office at (217) 359-1714.

Education & Edification – Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: Palm Sunday; The Life of the Church vs. Pop Culture; The Alleluia & Verse; The 175th Anniversary of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

LEARN BY HEART
THE FAMILY ALTAR

The families of St. John are encouraged to learn these words from the Small Catechism by heart this week:

The Table of Duties

Of Citizens –

Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's.

(Matthew 22:21)

It is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience. This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. (Romans 13:5–7)

I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior.

(1 Timothy 2:1–3)

Bible Passage: For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. 1 Corinthians 2:2

Hymn 451 *Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted* (sts. 1-2)

Psalm 29

Bible Readings for the Week:

Jeremiah Is Put in Prison – Jeremiah 37:1-21

Jeremiah Is Thrown into a Cistern – Jeremiah 38:1-28