



**St. John Lutheran Church and School**

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

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**Divine Service IV 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 – Kendall, Andy, Dan, Bob; 10:45 – Chris, Mark, Mike, John. **Ushers:** 8:00 – Bill & Makenzie; 10:45 – Jordan & Peter. **Instrumentalist:** Judy.

**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 Donnie & Shirley in thanksgiving to God for their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on May 20<sup>th</sup>. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *for healing and recovery:* Charlene, Karl-brother of Judy, Judy, Lindsey, Roger- father of Stephanie, Jim, Brian, Larry, Teresa, Barbara, Karla, John, Tom, Hendricks, Maria, Merv, Rebecca, Roy, Dan, Todd, Brett; *for successful treatments:* Barb, Luke, Earl, Linda, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy; *for those in the military:* Adam, Nick, Andy, Brandon, Zachary, David; *for our homebound:* Gilbert, Lola.

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

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

## **OUR WEEK AHEAD**

<b>Today</b>	<i>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion
<b>Monday</b>	<i>Newsletter Deadline</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 Adult Bible Class; 6:00 Parish Ed; 7:00 Youth Board
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>Ascension</i> ; 7:15 Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion

**Ascension** – Please join us this Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7:15pm for our service observing The Ascension of our Lord. There is no Wednesday evening service this week.

**Sunday School News** – We would like to acknowledge and thank our faithful Sunday School Teachers for the year. Pam, Sara, Stephanie, Katie, Karen, Bill, and Don. Their willingness and flexibility were a blessing.

**School Office Hours for Summer** – The school office will not have regular office hours. If you need to get in touch with the School Office staff for any reason over the summer, please call the school office at (217) 359-1714. Messages will be checked regularly. You may also reach us through email.

**Church Garage Sale, June 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>** – After a two-year hiatus, the Garage Sale is back. Get ready to clean out that closet, clear out the attic, of your unwanted but still in good condition items for the sale. Volunteers are needed to help. To ensure the success of the event, please sign up by Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Duties included: setting up tables on Sunday, sorting and pricing items during the week, working the sale Friday night and Saturday, packing up unsold items, and cleaning up/putting tables away after the sale. Sign-up sheets are posted on the youth bulletin board by the church office.

**Round Barn Manor Food Pantry Program Update** – An administrator has been found. We are in need of extra helpers to pick up the order at the food bank once a month. In the past, the order would fill two minivans or similar size vehicles. Please consider helping on a monthly or on a rotating basis. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the school office for more information.

**Revelation Bible Study** – The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon will begin a study this week on The Book of Revelation. You can listen on-demand at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

## **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	4th-5th	Room 1C
K-1 <sup>st</sup>	Room 6B	6th-8 <sup>th</sup>	Conference Room
2 <sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup>	Room 2C	High School	Youth Room

**Music Notes** – Men’s Choir will rehearse today at 9:45am.

**Sunday School** – We are looking for volunteers to teach in the summer. Please consider signing up for a few Sundays. This would also be a great opportunity for your college students who are home for the summer. Materials are provided. There will be a sheet to leave your name and number so that Cindy can contact you with more information as the time gets closer. The sign-up sheet will be posted by the Fellowship Hall.

**Vacation Bible School - Friends of Luther June 20-24 9:00-11:30am** – The name Martin Luther may ring a bell, but do you know Elisabeth Cruciger? Phillip Melancthon? And what did they all believe? Come learn as these and other friends of Luther teach the basics of the Christian faith, five of the six chief parts of the Catechism. Students will hear Bible stories, as well as sing songs, make crafts, play games and eat snacks. They will do this while learning about our one true God, and how He is our fortress. Registration is open for children 3 years old (and potty-trained) to completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade at <https://vbsmate.com/stjohnchampaign>. Any questions, please email vbs - at - stjohlns.com.

**VBS Donation Requests** have now been posted on the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall. Various items are needed to provide snacks for each day of VBS during the week of June 20<sup>th</sup>. Please use the donation slips provided for requests and return your donated items to the coat room by June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Please contact Donna, with any questions you may have. Thank you.

**St. John Lutheran School** is seeking a part-time music teacher as well as a part-time Spanish teacher for our school. Any interested candidates, please contact Principal Kamin.

**Prairie Gardens Gift Cards** – There are only a few cards left. 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. PTF gets 20% from each card sold. Gift cards are available now in the school office.

**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:

Christian Questions with Their Answers

1. Do you believe that you are a sinner?
2. How do you know this?
3. Are you sorry for your sins?
4. What have you deserved from God because of your sins?
5. Do you hope to be saved?
6. In whom then do you trust?
7. Who is Christ?
8. How many Gods are there?
9. What has Christ done for you that you trust in Him?
10. Did the Father also die for you?
11. How do you know this?
12. What are the words of institution?
13. Do you believe, then, that the true body and blood of Christ are in the Sacrament?
14. What convinces you to believe this?
15. What should we do when we eat His body and drink His blood, and in this way receive His pledge?
16. Why should we remember and proclaim His death?
17. What motivated Christ to die and make full payment for your sins?
18. Finally, why do you wish to go to the Sacrament?
19. What should admonish and encourage a Christian to receive the Sacrament frequently?
20. But what should you do if you are not aware of this need and have no hunger and thirst for the Sacrament?

Answers are found on pgs. 37-40 in Luther's Small Catechism

Bible Passage: For in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.  
Galatians 3:26-27

Psalm 143