

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 26, 2019
8:00am & 10:45am



St. John Lutheran Church and School
The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod
Reverend Jeff Caithamer
School Principal: Tim Gabbert

Divine Service IV with Holy Communion

**stand as you are able*

Prelude- <i>“Amazing Grace – Since Jesus Came Into My Heart”</i>	Clarinet, Oboe, Piano	
Hymn <i>O Day of Rest and Gladness</i>		906
*Invocation, Confession, Absolution		203
*Introit	dated insert	
*Kyrie		204
*Gloria in Excelsis		204
*Salutation & Collect		205
First Reading		
Gradual	dated insert	
Epistle Reading		
*Alleluia and Verse		205
*Holy Gospel Reading		
*Apostles’ Creed		207
(8:00) Children’s Devotion		
Hymn <i>Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice</i> (sts. 1-5)		556
Sermon <i>“Christ of the World”</i> John 16:23-33		
(10:45) Adult Confirmation		272
*Prayers		207
Gathering of Tithes and Offering		
(8:00) <i>“Adoro te, devote”</i>	Oboe	
(10:45) <i>“Now the Green Blade Riseth”</i> Kosche	Mixed Choir	
*Service of the Sacrament		208
Communion Hymns- 822, 640, 674, 556 (sts. 6-10)		
*Nunc Dimittis		211
*Post-Communion Collect		212
*Benedicamus and Benediction		212
Postlude- <i>“Nun Freut Euch”</i>		

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.

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.

SERVING TODAY - Preaching & Presiding: Rev. Jeff Caithamer. **Organist & Choir Director:** Keith Williams. **Elders:** 8:00 - Dan, Larry, Robert & Dave; 10:45 - Joe, Dan, Jeremy & Kurt. **Acolyte:** 8:00 - Henry; 10:45 - Mariah. **Greeter:** 8:00 - Joanie. **Ushers:** 8:00 - Billy & Ethan; 10:45 - David & Jordan. Oboe – Lou Ann, Clarinet – Randy.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY - The altar flowers are given today by Stephen & Donna in honor of daughter Margaret’s High School graduation. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *for thanksgiving:* a son born to Scott & Taylor on May 20th; *following surgery:* Jeff -brother of Tim; *for healing and recovery:* Kathy -daughter of George & Karen, Lavina, Karen, Merv, Nicholas, Joan -mother of Bill, Judy -mother of Rochelle, Phil -friend of Jan, Rebecca -daughter of Marvin & Esther, Roy -father of Anne, Eunice, Joe, Dan -brother of Bonnie, Lois, Ellie, Todd, Tom; *for successful treatments:* Linda, Phyllis, Roxy, Todd -husband of Kim, Dan -father of Beth, Philip -son of Starley, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy, Shawn -sister of Maxine; *for those in the military:* Adam, Joshua, Nick, Mitchell, Taylor, Andy, Brandon, Suzzanna, Ben, Allyson, Zachary; *for our homebound:* Bob & Alice, Geneice, Esther.

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

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

Adult Confirmation - Adam & Nicole are joining St. John today through Adult Confirmation. We welcome them and their children Nathan, Aidan, and Annalisa into the Lord’s Family!

EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

Adult Bible Class – Fellowship Hall - Pastor Caithamer

Sunday School Opening will be in the Sanctuary for K-8th grade at 9:30. Preschool (3/4yrs) will have their opening in Room 4C. Come and join us!

3/4yrs	Room 4C	5 th /6 th	Room 4B
Kindergarten	Room 1A	7 th /8 th	Room 3B
1 st /2 nd	Room 2C	High School	Youth Room
3 rd /4 th	School Library		

We Want To Thank our Sunday School teachers, who have served joyfully and faithfully this year. Mike and Karen, Sara, Karen, Don, Cindy, Janet, Sara, Stephanie, Karen, Bill, Marlene. And a thank you to Faith and Susan for their willingness to substitute. The Lord has blessed us with a wonderful staff.

Summer Sunday School - We begin our summer Sunday School schedule on June 2nd. On June 2nd and the 9th, K-5 will meet in the Sanctuary for an opening. The rest of the Sundays the children will go straight to their classrooms. Preschool will have opening and class as usual in Room 4C. K-2 will meet in Room 2C. In church basement 3-5 will meet in Room 1C. In church basement 6-12 will meet in Youth Room. We look forward to seeing everyone in Sunday School through the summer where we can strengthen our faith and build friendships. Please see the sign-up sheet on bulletin board by the fellowship hall. We are in need of volunteers to teach through the summer to give our teachers a break. You will find it a joy and a blessing to work with the children. Weekly lessons will be in the church office in a labeled folder. Any questions contact Cindy. Thank you.

The Trustees are asking for your help. We would like to develop a landscaping program for our church property and need the help from a landscape architect. If you can assist with this project, please speak with Rick or any of the Trustees.

Vacation Bible School 2019 - Miraculous Mission - June 17-21, 9-11:30am – In this big vast, amazing universe, we sometimes feel small and on our own. Yet God loves us each so much he sent Jesus, His Son, to be our Savior. Join us as we explore God's miraculous mission and we learn about His plan of salvation, from creation to the cross. Registration is open for children 3 yrs. old (and potty trained) to completed 5th grade. Come along with us as we sing fun songs, do crazy crafts, eat yummy snacks, play awesome games, and more. We cannot wait to see you there. Register online at www.vbsmate.com/stjohnchampaign. E-mail for more information or if you have any questions.

Be A Part of Miraculous Mission VBS - Youth (completed 6th -12th grade) and adult volunteers are needed. If you can help full or part time, we have many ways to be involved to suit your schedule and interests. A sign-up sheet is posted by the Fellowship Hall. Email if you have any questions. Also watch on the bulletin board in the coming weeks for ways you can donate supplies to make our VBS a success.

OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today 6th Sunday of Easter; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion

Monday Memorial Day; Church and School closed

Tuesday 6:00 Parish Ed; 7:00 Youth Board

Wednesday 6:00 Handbells

Thursday Ascension; 6:00 Men's Choir; 7:15 Holy Communion

Saturday 10:00 Lucille Finn Visitation; 11:00 Lucille Finn Funeral

Sunday 7th Sunday of Easter; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion;

The Adult Tuesday Morning Bible Class will not meet this week. We will resume Tuesday, June 4th. Everyone is welcome.

Ascension - Please join us this Thursday, May 30th, at 7:15pm for our service observing The Ascension of our Lord. There is no Wednesday evening service this week.

Book Study Group - We are once again doing a book study group this summer. This summer's book will be *Faith that Sees through the Culture* by Rev. Dr. Alfonso Espinosa. This book provides lenses "for faith to see more clearly and be lived out more effectively in our culture." Starting June 5th we will meet on Wednesdays at 5:45pm (with the plan to be done by 7 so that people can attend church). We will meet until the end of August. Please come as you are able to attend. The book has manageable chapters and included study questions. Please contact Elizabeth by Tuesday, May 28th if you would like to participate. This will allow time for books to be ordered and placed into your hands before the first session.

Camp CILCA's annual Hog Roast today, May 26th. Dinner is served from 11:30-2:30. The Trading Post, beach, and new cabins will be open. A Jazz concert will be held from 1:30-3:00. Information will also be given about the camp's ongoing capital campaign.

Organ Concert - On Sunday, June 9th at 4:00pm our renovated and enlarged pipe organ will be rededicated and celebrated with an organ concert by Keith Williams. All are welcome to attend this celebration, which will include music by Praetorius, Buxtehude, Bach, Durufle and others. A reception hosted by the St. John Choirs will follow the concert. Please join us.

VBS Donation Sheets are on the bulletin board by the fellowship hall. Please consider grabbing one or more to help out. Thank you.

Summer Office Hours - The church office hours will be 10:00am-2:00pm beginning on May 28th. The school office will be open 9:00am-Noon. Payments can be made online on the Parent Portal or mailed to the office.

Prairie Gardens Gift Cards - PTF is selling \$10 Prairie Gardens Gift Cards. PTF gets 20% from each card sold. The money earned from this fundraiser goes towards items that the teachers or school need to purchase, family fun events throughout the school year, and special requests from the teachers for classroom items. Gift cards are available 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. 40-43 in Luther's Small Catechism

Bible Passage: For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith." Romans 1:16-17

Psalm 143