

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 1, 2018
8:00am & 10:45am



St. John Lutheran Church and School

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

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Preaching & Presiding: Rev. Jeff Caithamer

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 - Organist: Keith Williams. **Elders:** 8:00 – John, Dan, Rex & Robert; 10:45 – Dan, Stephen, Kurt & Larry. **Acolytes:** 8:00 – Jacob. **Greeters:** 10:45 – Lynn.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY - The altar flowers are given today by Mike & Maxine in honor of those that protect us. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *hospitalized:* Tom, Michael - son of Karen; *for healing and recovery:* Pat, Joe, Jim, Norm, Jan, Judy, Cindy -daughter in law of Bob & Joan, Judy -sister of Larry, Bill - son in law of Dave & Donna, Dan -brother of Bonnie; Bruce, Rachel -niece of Judy, Lois, Ellie, Stephen -son of Ken, Dale -brother in law of Ellie, Cathy -sister of Millie, Merv, John, Todd -grandson of Harold, Tom; *for successful treatments:* Dan -father of Beth, Philip -son of Starley, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy, Maxine; *for those in the military:* Nick, Mitchell, Heath, Taylor, Andy, Christopher, Brandon, Suzzanna, Ben, Allyson, Tom, Zachary; *for our homebound:* Leona, Mary, Bob & Alice.

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

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

EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

Adult Bible Class – Pastor Caithamer, fellowship hall

Summer Sunday School – For the summer all students who have completed 1st – 7th grade, and teachers will meet in the sanctuary at 9:30am. Preschool (3/4yrs.) & Kindergarten students will have their opening in Room 4C.

3/4yrs. - K	Room 4C
1 st - 3 rd	Room 2C
4 th - 7 th	Room 4A
High School	Youth Room

Summer Sunday School – We are in need of volunteers to teach. All the material is provided. There is a sign-up sheet on the Sunday School bulletin board. Please consider choosing a date or two. Thank you for your help.

Keys & Fobs – All outgoing officers of the congregation need to turn in their keys and fobs so that we are able to distribute them to the incoming officers. Please contact the church office with any questions.

Summer Hours – The Church Office will be open 10am to 2pm during the week. Pastor Caithamer will be available in his office during regular office hours Monday through Thursday for all Pastoral needs. He will not be available to let people in the building before 10 or after 2, so if you will need access to the building during that time, please contact the church office about obtaining a key fob. The School Office summer hours will be 8am to 11am.

Update on Rev. Walter DeMoss – Many years ago, our congregation was blessed to adopt Rev. Walter DeMoss as a missionary in Ghana and Togo. Pastor DeMoss served in those countries for 25 years before going to work for Lutheran Bible Translators. Recent weeks have seen Pastor DeMoss suffer through serious illness, but, thanks be to God, he is now recovering at an extended care facility in Sycamore, Illinois. Please keep Pastor DeMoss and his wife, Helena, in your prayers during this time of recovery.

If you would like to send get-well wishes, please do so to the address in the printed bulletin.

A Mobile Lutheran Bible Study...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. This week's subjects include: The Psalms, The Mass, John the Baptist & Repentance, The Prophet Isaiah and more. You can listen live or at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today	<i>6th Sunday after Pentecost; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion</i>
Monday	6:00 Trustees
Tuesday	10:00 Adult Bible Class; 6:30 School Board
Wednesday	<i>Independence Day; Church & School Closed; No Service this Evening</i>
Thursday	12:30 Widow's Group
Sunday	<i>7th Sunday after Pentecost; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion; Central Illinois District Convention begins this afternoon</i>

Men's Softball – Please come out and cheer for our Men's Softball team. Their next game is tomorrow night at 8:00pm, Dodds Park-Field #6.

The Church & School will be closed Wednesday, July 4th for Independence Day. There will be no Wednesday evening service.

Widow's Group will meet this Thursday, July 5th, at 12:30pm at Arby's on Springfield Ave.

The July E.A.T. Night will be at Potbelly, on 501 E. Green Street, Monday, July 9th from 5pm-8pm. Remember to bring the flier to make sure that 25% of the proceeds will be donated to St. John Lutheran School.

July 15th: Fellowship Board will be hosting their "Sundae" Sunday, during coffee time. Please come and enjoy. Fellowship Board is not having their monthly meeting in July.

Summer Book Club – Come join us for an enlightening read of 'Has American Christianity Failed' by Bryan Wolfmueller. Let Cassandra or Jenny know if you are interested in participating. We started meeting last Wednesday and are meeting Wednesdays through August 29th in the Teacher's Lounge.

Fire Alarm Project – The components needed for final approval are awaiting installation before we can obtain the final approval by the city in the near future. The final cost of this will be approximately \$88K, and the congregation has donated nearly \$36K towards this project. The Trustees would like to thank those who have donated time and/or finances so far.

Save the Date: LERT Training – September 22nd we will be hosting a LERT training session. We need at least 20 people to sign up in order for this event to happen. Look for future announcements for more information.

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 Lord's Prayer

The Third Petition – Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

What does this mean? The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

How is God's will done? God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die.

This is His good and gracious will.

Bible Passage: For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more. Jeremiah 31:34b

Psalm 65