

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 31, 2022
8:00am & 10:45am



St. John Lutheran Church and School

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

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Divine Service III with Holy Communion

**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, Nick, Dan, Harold; 10:45 – Christopher, Chuck, Jeremy Tengwall, Jim Waller. **Ushers:** 8:00 – Nicholas Demos & Everett Carlson; 10:45 – Rock & 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 John in honor of John & Sherrie’s 50th wedding anniversary on July 8th. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *for healing and recovery:* Jim, Karla, Charlene, Judy, Roger- father of Stephanie, Brian, Larry, Teresa, Barbara, John, Tom, Hendricks, Maria, Merv, Rebecca, Roy, 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>

Fifth Sunday Door Offering – Today is the fifth Sunday of the month and we will be taking a door offering following both services this morning for all current and future students studying to be church workers.

Voter’s Meeting – There will be a Voter’s Meeting Today at 1:00pm in the
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OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today	<i>8th Sunday after Pentecost</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion; 1:00 Voter's Meeting
Tuesday	10:00 Adult Bible Class; 5:30 Evangelism Board; 6:00 Trustees, School Board
Wednesday	7:15 Holy Communion
Thursday	7:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Sammy's
Sunday	<i>9th Sunday after Pentecost</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion

The Fellowship Board meeting has been canceled for the month of August.

Hymn Sing – On Sunday, August 7th we will have a Hymn Sing as the Prelude at both services. You may email requests to Keith (please specify which service you will be attending) at [buzardservice - at - gmail.com](mailto:buzardservice@gmail.com) or fill out a form that is available in the Narthex.

August E.A.T. Night – Our monthly nights of food and fellowship are back. Please join us on Monday, August 8th from 5-8pm at Culver's (2302 S. Neil St. Champaign). Culver's is donating a portion of sales back to the St. John Lutheran School PTF. Dine-In, carry out, and drive thru are all included. Flyers are needed this month and can be presented at the time of purchase or pick up. Flyers are available on the narthex table and on the school website www.stjohnls.com.

Evangelism Workshop – Witnessing is the purpose of your everyday life. The Every One His Witness® Lutheran evangelism program considers the real world context in which Lutherans find themselves as witnesses of Jesus Christ. It puts sound doctrine into practical action for sharing the faith with the people whom God has placed alongside His witnesses in their everyday lives. This workshop will be reviewing the principles we learned last year with an opportunity to share experiences. The workshop will be in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, August 20th from 8am to around 1pm. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board across from the Fellowship Hall.

Rally Day – Come join us as we kick off our Sunday School year August 21st. Christian education is so important for children and adults of all ages. We want to encourage everyone to be involved in Bible study and prayer on a regular basis. What better way for parents to show their children the importance of being involved in Bible study, than by participating themselves. On Sunday, August 21st starting at 9:30am, everyone will meet in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a scavenger hunt, puppet show, and songs. Students will proceed from there to their classrooms, while adults will remain for Bible class.

Church Picnic August 21 – Picnic will follow the late service. Choices include hot dogs, hamburgers, and brats. Sign up for choice of meat, and to bring either side dish or dessert.

St. John Arts & Crafts Fair – Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 22nd, 9am-2pm for the Fair. If you are a crafter or know someone who is and would like to reserve a booth, application forms are available in the school office, on the school website and on the narthex table. Contact the school office if you have any questions or for more information.

EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

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

Summer Sunday School – 3/4yrs through High School will meet in the Sanctuary for opening before class. Parents – please note the room changes.

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

School Donations – Thank you so much for your support and donations for items for the new classroom and the school. Your generosity is truly appreciated. Our teachers will be busy in August getting their rooms ready. There are a few items on the donation board if you would still like to help.

Summer Sunday School – Many thanks to those volunteering to teach Summer Sunday School: Betty, Adrienne, Deanna, Karen, Don, Dan & Faith, Karen, Katie, Pam, and Bill. We couldn't have done it without you.

LWML is again collecting school supplies for the Orphan Grain Train, which it sends around the world where needed. Supplies requested are: 24-pack crayons, new pens and #2 pencils, loose-leaf paper and notebooks, spiral notebooks, glue sticks, construction paper, 12-inch rulers, scissors, washable markers (packages that contain 8 to 10 markers), and new coloring books. Supplies are donated as items not in sets, as they are put into kits by Orphan Grain Train. Please place your donated school items in the LWML box located in the coat room. A list of items is posted there as well for reference. Thank you for helping here and around the world! Please contact Donna, for further information.

Witness & Outreach – Luke 12:13-21: Jesus told the Parable of the Rich Fool to remind us that real life in Christ is about much more than material possessions. Many people around us are rich in things of this world, but poor in spiritual things. Isn't it great that we who have been made rich in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit have great spiritual news to share with those who are struggling in spiritual darkness? Share the riches of God's grace freely.

Office Hours – The Church Office's summer hours are 10am-2pm. 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 them through email at [kschmidt](mailto:kschmidt@stjohnls.com) - at - stjohnls.com.

Real Reformation Radio – 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: The Christian Heroes Who Stood Against Islam, Clinging to Christ in College, Apparent Contradictions on Paul's Conversion Story in Acts, Old Testament Patriarch Joseph 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:

Review: Baptism

What benefits does Baptism give?

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

Which are these words and promises of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.” Mark 16:16

Bible Passage: There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. Ephesians 4:4-6

Psalm 139:1-12