



St. John Lutheran Church and School

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Divine Service II 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:** Kipp Cortez. **Elders:** 8:00 – Andy, Dave, Bob, Dan; 10:45 – Jim, Bob, Matt, Nick. **Ushers:** 8:00 – Charlie & Jack; 10:45 – Bryce & Noah.

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 – We remember the following people in our prayers: *for peace and comfort:* Dawn and family at the death of husband Bill; *for healing and recovery:* Lingle-granddaughter of Bob & Joan, Karen, Rev. Michael Ruhlig, Barb, Brian, Joyce, Rick, Susan, Cynthia, Larry, Teresa, Barbara, Maelynn, Lilly, Karla, Aidan, Whitney, Barbara, John, Tom, Hendricks, Maria, Merv, Judy, Rebecca, Roy, Dan, Todd, Brett; *for successful treatments:* Luke, Kendra (school parent), Cari (school parent), Nicole (school parent), Earl, Linda, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy; *for our college students:* Jacob, Ethan, Kai; *for those in the military:* Adam, Nick, Taylor, Andy, Brandon, Zachary; *for our homebound:* Esther, Gaylord .

For requests for the prayer chain or to be added to the chain:
<http://stjohnmedia.org/church/PrayerList.html>

Introit – Everyone will sing the Antiphon together, and then Pastor will sing the first Psalm verse. The congregation will sing the second Psalm verse and we will continue in alternation until all the Psalm verses have been sung. Everyone then sings the *Gloria Patri* and Antiphon together.

OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today	<i>11th Sunday after Pentecost</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion		
Monday	5:00-8:00 E.A.T. Night @ Culvers; 5:30 Finance Board		
Tuesday	6:00 Elders		
Wednesday	10:00 Adult Bible Class; 7:15 Holy Communion		
Thursday	7:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast		
Sunday	<i>12th Sunday after Pentecost</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion		

Summer Sunday School – K-7th will meet in the Sanctuary for opening before class. 3/4yrs will meet in their classroom for opening.

3/4yrs	Room 4C	6 th -7 th	Conference Room
K-2 nd	Room 6B (Art Room)	High School	Youth Room
3 rd -5 th	Room 5B (Computer Lab)		

Please sign up to help teach on the bulletin board across from the fellowship hall. Materials for the lessons are supplied. Questions contact Cindy.

E.A.T. @ Culvers Tomorrow – E.A.T. nights are back. Join us at Culver's on S. Neil St. tomorrow, August 9, 5-8pm. Culver's is giving back a portion of all sales from 5-8pm. No flyer is needed – spread the word to your friends and family. We will be providing Food Runners. Come out and see who will be delivering your food.

LWML is collecting school supplies this year for Orphan Grain Train instead of LWR. The school supplies are sent where needed around the world, but school supplies do not need to be packed in back backs. Supplies needed: crayons (24pack), new pens, new pencils, loose-leaf paper and notebooks, spiral notebooks, glue sticks, construction paper, rulers, scissors, washable markers (8-10 pack), and new coloring books. Extra copies of the list are in the coatroom. Please put your School Supplies in the LWML box in the coatroom. Now is a great time to purchase while school supply sales going. Any questions contact: Linda. Thanks for helping Children here and around the world. - St. John LWML

Custodial Help – The church is looking for an individual who may be willing to serve in helping with the custodial duties for weddings, funerals and special events that may take place when our staff is unavailable (i.e. weekends). Pay would be \$125 per event. Please contact Rick for more information.

Office Hours – The Church Office summer hours are 10am-2pm. The School Office is closed for the summer. Please call the school and leave a message (217) 359-1714 or email Kim for any questions. Messages will be checked regularly.

Church Picnic – The annual church picnic will be held on Sunday, August 22nd immediately following the late service on the west side of the church. We will follow the same format as last year with participants bringing their own lunch. Drinks, ice cream, and a variety of toppings will be provided. We have numerous picnic tables but please bring some lawn chairs if you are able. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall.

Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 19:1-8

¹Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” ³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. ⁴But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, “It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers.” ⁵And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, “Arise and eat.” ⁶And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, “Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you.” ⁸And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 4:17-5:2

¹⁷Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰But that is not the way you learned Christ!— ²¹assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²²to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. ²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³²Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Holy Gospel: John 6:35-51

³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.” ⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” ⁴³Jesus answered them, “Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

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:

Baptism

How can water do such great things?

Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three:

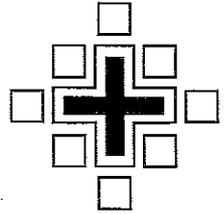
“He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying.” [Titus 3:5–8]

Bible Passage: It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man. Psalm 118:8

Psalm 138

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8, 2021



INTROIT *Ps. 34:8–10; antiphon: Ps. 145:16*

You open | your hand;*
 you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.
Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!*
 Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!
Oh, fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
 for those who fear him | have no lack!
The young lions suffer want and | hunger;*
 but those who seek the LORD lack | no good thing.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
You open | your hand;*
 you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

GRADUAL *Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.*

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
 for those who fear him lack | nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
 but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

DAILY READINGS

August 8: 1 Sam. 24:1–22; 1 Cor. 1:26–2:16; **9:** 1 Sam. 25:1–22; 1 Cor. 3:1–23; **10:** 1 Sam. 25:23–44; 1 Cor. 4:1–21; **11:** 1 Sam. 26:1–25; 1 Cor. 5:1–13; **12:** 1 Sam. 28:3–25; 1 Cor. 6:1–20; **13:** 1 Sam. 31:1–13; 1 Cor. 7:1–24; **14:** 2 Sam. 1:1–27; 1 Cor. 7:25–40.

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