

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD  
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**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*“Growing In Joy”*

**5:30PM — June 2, 2018**

**8:00AM — June 3, 2018**



**THOSE WHO SERVE US**

Each Member of St. John's .....	A Minister
Rev. Ted Gall .....	Senior Pastor
Mrs. Sandy Esker.....	Preschool Director
Mr. Dean Manuel .....	Organist
Mrs. Erin Wendling.....	Song Leader
St. John's Praise Band.....	10:30AM
Mr. Todd Zeigler.....	5:30PM Elder on Duty
A. J. Radloff .....	5:30PM Acolyte
Mr. Jeff Stremming.....	8AM Elder on Duty
Andrew Lotz.....	8AM Acolyte
Mr. Dave Wall .....	10:30AM Elder on Duty
Ella Niebrugge .....	10:30AM Acolyte
Mr. Jake Wendling 217-246-8667 .....	Elder on Duty for June 5-June 8, 2018
Missionaries from Pakistan .....	Younis Darshan and Raja Shaleem
Missionaries from India .....	Ajay Paul & Sonne
Sister Congregation .....	in Blidene, Latvia
Adopted Chatelain School.....	Haiti
Mrs. Julie Scott .....	(343-3047) Prayer Chain Coordinator

**WELCOME** To our friends who know us, we renew our welcome; to the stranger, we extend our sincere greeting. If you are a visitor, please understand that you are our guest and we want you to feel welcome and comfortable. We are happy you chose to be with us in this service, and pray you have been blessed by our Lord today as He has blessed us by your presence.

**CHRIST** is important to us

- in our worship
- in our study
- in our fellowship
- in our lives.

**YOU** are important to us

- in our worship
- in our study
- in our fellowship
- in our lives.

***HOLY COMMUNION*** – When the members of St. John’s Lutheran Church, (LCMS) celebrate the Lord’s Supper, we confess the Real Presence of Christ’s Body and Blood in the Bread and Wine, given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins. (*1 Cor 10:16 & 1 Cor 11:23-26*) We believe that Christ’s Body and Blood are present “in, with and under” the elements of the Holy Supper. (*Luther’s Small Catechism*) Members should register their intent to commune on the pew card. If you are visiting with us and you desire to join with us in communion fellowship in agreement with these beliefs, please speak to one of the Pastors or the elder on duty before the service.

**HIS VISION FOR US:**

St. John’s will be known for being involved in our changing community, for providing leadership in our changing world, and for serving others in Christian love.

We will welcome our diverse guests with open arms. Our friendly, loving and accepting people will engage our guests, mentor them in the faith, and inspire many to become members.

Our members will be motivated by the cross to be actively engaged in ministry, showing love and care to others. We will encourage one another, nurture one another, and enthusiastically serve our God together!

**HIS GOAL FOR US:**

We will pray and work with singleness of purpose to expand the impact of our ministry to God’s children of all ages, with special emphasis on young families, by developing new ways to strengthen the relationship between St. John’s, our members and our community, providing the facilities and resources to involve more people in ministry and outreach.

***WELCOME CENTER*** Greeters are present at the Welcome Center in the atrium adjacent to our sanctuary before and after the service to answer any questions you may have, provide directions to restrooms, classrooms, etc. If you are a first time guest, we also have a gift for you. If you live in our community or surrounding area and you do not have a church home, we welcome your consideration. We offer true fellowship with a living Savior and membership in His Church.

**ATTENDANCE REGISTER** Kindly fill out a registration card (welcome side) located in the pew rack. Our guests are also asked to complete the address and phone number portion. Please pass your card to the center aisle to be gathered during the offering.

**CELL PHONES** Please turn your cell phones off before the service begins.

**AS WE GATHER** “Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob!” (Psalm 81:1). God ordained the Sabbath for the benefit of His people, as a source of refreshment and of joy. The Sabbath Day is the culmination of the week and gives meaning to all of the other days. With joy we gather for worship on the Lord’s Day. He is here! We have much to celebrate!

**RINGING OF THE BELLS**

**PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**+ PREPARATION +**

**OPENING HYMN** .....“*Lord Of Glory, You Have Bought Us*”..... [LSB 851]

**INVOCATION**

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

**OPENING SENTENCES** *The Third Commandment*

**Pastor:** Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. What does this mean?

**People:** **We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**Pastor:** Beloved of God, let us confess together that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that daily we have sinned against our gracious God and deserve His punishment now and eternally. We have sought our own ways and have not always kept the Sabbath in ways that honor Him. We have transgressed His Law in our thoughts, words, and deeds.

**People:** **Almighty God, we repent of our sins and seek Your mercy. Be gracious to us, and for the sake of Jesus, grant us Your forgiveness so that, as Your redeemed people, we find the joy of absolution and with renewed hearts serve You in time and in eternity.**

Pastor: In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

**+ WORD +**

**INTROIT** *Psalm 62:5–8; antiphon: v. 1*

Pastor: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from Him comes my salvation.

**People: For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from Him.**

Pastor: He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

**People: On God rests my salvation and my glory; My mighty rock, my refuge is God.**

Pastor: Trust in Him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us.

**People: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Pastor: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from Him comes my salvation.

**HYMN OF PRAISE..... “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”..... [LSB 803]**

### **SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray. Eternal God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, is our true Sabbath rest. Help us to keep each day holy by receiving His Word of comfort, that we may find our rest in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING..... Deuteronomy 5:12–15**  
*(The Sabbath Day observance)*

<sup>12</sup>“Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work, <sup>14</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your

female servant may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup> You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM** *Psalm 81:1–10; antiphon: v. 13*

Pastor: Oh, that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways!

People: **Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob!**

Women: ***Raise a song; sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp.***

Men: ***Blow the trumpet at the new moon, at the full moon, on our feast day.***

People: **For it is a statute for Israel, a just decree of the God of Jacob.**

Women: ***He made it a decree in Joseph when He went out over the land of Egypt. I hear a language I had not known:***

Men: ***“I relieved your shoulder of the burden; your hands were freed from the basket.***

People: **In distress you called, and I delivered you; I answered you in the secret place of thunder; I tested you at the waters of Meribah.**

Women: ***Hear, O My people, while I admonish you! O Israel, if you would but listen to Me!***

Men: ***There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god.***

People: **I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.” Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Pastor: Oh, that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways!

**EPISTLE..... 2 Corinthians 4:5–12**  
*(Treasure in jars of clay)*

<sup>5</sup> For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup> For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of

Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. <sup>8</sup> We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup> persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup> always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. <sup>11</sup> For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. <sup>12</sup> So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**5:30PM & 8AM MINISTRY OF MUSIC..... “Give Me Oil In My Lamp”  
by Praise and Worship Choir**

**GRADUAL** Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b

Pastor: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable.

People: **On Your wondrous works, I will meditate, and I will declare Your greatness.**

**HOLY GOSPEL..... Mark 2:23–3:6**  
*(Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath.)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the second and third chapters.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>23</sup> One Sabbath he was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. <sup>24</sup> And the Pharisees were saying to him, “Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?” <sup>25</sup> And he said to them, “Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: <sup>26</sup> how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?” <sup>27</sup> And he said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. <sup>28</sup> So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath.” **3** Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. <sup>2</sup> And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. <sup>3</sup> And he said to the man with the withered hand, “Come here.” <sup>4</sup> And he said to them, “Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. <sup>5</sup> And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He

stretched it out, and his hand was restored. <sup>6</sup> The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**CREED** *The Third Article*

People: **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Pastor: What does this mean?

People: **I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.**

**In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.**

**In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.**

**On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.**

***HYMN OF THE DAY* ..... *“I Lay My Sins On Jesus”* ..... [LSB 606]**

***SERMON*.....*“What Is Sin?”*.....*Romans 5:12* by Rev. Gary Fortkamp**

***OFFERING/OFFERTORY* ..... *“Praise And Thanksgiving”* ..... [LSB 789]**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. As the community of God’s forgiven people, we pray for the Church and for ourselves, asking that we be engaged fully in service to God and in ministry to one another. Lord, in Your mercy,

People respond: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: We pray for the proper observance of the Sabbath, rejoicing in the fellowship we enjoy as God’s holy people and asking that we bring the sacrifices of pure hearts as we worship God in His sanctuary. Lord, in Your mercy,

Pastor: We pray for those who bring us joy through music in the life of the Church, that God enable us together to grow in praise and in dedication in Jesus' name. Lord, in Your mercy,

Pastor: We make our petitions for the sick and all who this day are in need of our prayers, [*especially . . .*], that they be supported by God's people as they await God's directions for their lives according to His gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

Pastor: With thankfulness for the gift of civic liberty, we ask God's blessing on our nation, its leaders, and all who bring security and a sense of community to our lives. Help us to cherish the freedoms and sense of peace we enjoy and do all in our power to maintain the public good, mindful of generations yet to be. Lord, in Your mercy,

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

### **THEME CELEBRATION** "Growing in Joy"

Pastor: The color green that we see on the paraments and on my stole reminds us that we are entering the growing season in the life of the Church. With few changes, the color green will be what greets us each week when we enter our worship area for the next months. Our growth in worship is nurtured in many ways, including music. Today, we celebrate the joy that we know through the sounds of voices and also through instruments tuned for the praise of God.

### **BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
*Numbers 6:24-26*

**People: Amen.**

**HYMN..... "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" ..... [LSB 649]**

### **SILENT PRAYER**

### **GREETING OF PEACE**

### **POSTLUDE**

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