

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD  
ST. JOHN'S EAGLE'S NEST PRESCHOOL**

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Fellowship of Hope, Teaching, Serving and  
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***NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST***

***"A New End Gives Hew Hope"***



**5:30PM — September 29, 2018**

**8:00AM — September 30, 2018**

**THOSE WHO SERVE US**

Each Member of St. John's .....	A Minister
Rev. Ted Gall .....	Senior Pastor
Rev. Gary Fortkamp .....	Liturgist
Mrs. Sandy Esker.....	Preschool Director
Mrs. Jerry Starner .....	Organist
Mrs. Meghan Wahl.....	Song Leader
St. John's Praise Band.....	10:30AM
Mr. Dave Wall .....	5:30PM Elder on Duty
A. J. Radloff .....	5:30PM Acolyte
Mr. Jerry Pruemer .....	8AM Elder on Duty
Andrew Lotz.....	8AM Acolyte
Mr. Chris Niebrugge.....	10:30AM Elder on Duty
Aiden Hanks .....	10:30AM Acolyte
Mr. Todd Zeigler 821-6135.....	Elder on Duty for October 1-October 5, 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.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** The flowers which grace our altar are given by Irene Esch & family in memory of Harold Esch & Mark Esch.

**AS WE GATHER** “And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.” Do you actually look forward to the Last Day? There are many things or events to which we look forward with anticipation. We may even say, “I can’t wait!” for the day of graduation from high school or college; the wedding day; the first day on a new job. Yet we don’t say that when anticipating major surgery or the dentist or the loss of a loved one. Today Jesus has us look forward to a reward laid up for us on that day. James chimes in, saying whatever our circumstances, the Christian faith enables us to live with the hope and light of our promised deliverance.

**RINGING OF THE BELLS**

**PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**+ PREPARATION +**

**HYMN**..... *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*.....**[LSB 802]**

**INVOCATION**

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

**People:** Amen.

**OPENING SENTENCES** *Psalm 119:73, 77*

**Pastor:** Your hands have made and fashioned me;

**People:** **give me understanding that I may learn Your commandments.**

**Pastor:** Let Your mercy come to me, that I may live;

**People:** **for Your law is my delight.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *James 5:16*

**Pastor:** Beloved, today the apostle James says, “Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed.” Let us all therefore lay our sins on Jesus, looking to Him for forgiveness.

**People:** **Almighty God, at Your invitation, we beg for Your grace and forgiveness of our sins for the sake of the priceless sacrifice of our Lord Jesus on**

**the cross. Forgive us for the wayward and wrongful acts we have committed and also for the good and constructive words and acts we have failed to do. Help us to live in the faith of the resurrection of the righteous. Amen.**

**Pastor:** Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, 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 135:1–3, 13–14; antiphon: v. 13**

**Pastor:** Praise the LORD!

**People:** Praise the name of the LORD, give praise, O servants of the LORD,

**Pastor:** <sup>2</sup> who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God!

**People:** <sup>3</sup> Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good sing to his name, for it is pleasant!

**Pastor:** Your name, O LORD, endures forever, your renown, O LORD, throughout all ages.

**People:** <sup>14</sup> For the LORD will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants.

**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. Everlasting Father, source of every blessing, mercifully direct and govern us by Your Holy Spirit that we may complete the works You have prepared for us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING..... Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24–29**

*(The people complain.)*

<sup>4</sup> Now the rabble that was among them had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, “Oh that we had meat to eat!<sup>5</sup> We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the

garlic. <sup>6</sup> But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.” <sup>10</sup> Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. <sup>11</sup> Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? <sup>12</sup> Did I conceive all this people? Did I give them birth, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a nursing child,’ to the land that you swore to give their fathers? <sup>13</sup> Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they weep before me and say, ‘Give us meat, that we may eat.’ <sup>14</sup> I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup> If you will treat me like this, kill me at once, if I find favor in your sight, that I may not see my wretchedness.” <sup>16</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you. <sup>24</sup> So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. <sup>25</sup> Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it. <sup>26</sup> Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup> And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” <sup>28</sup> And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.” <sup>29</sup> But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL** *Psalm 91:11; 103:1*

He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

**EPISTLE**..... **James 5:(1–12) 13–20**

*(The prayer of faith)*

**5** Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you. <sup>2</sup> Your riches have rotted and your garments are moth-eaten. <sup>3</sup> Your gold and silver have corroded, and their corrosion will be evidence against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days. <sup>4</sup> Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, are crying out against you, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. <sup>5</sup> You have lived on

the earth in luxury and in self-indulgence. You have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. <sup>6</sup> You have condemned and murdered the righteous person. He does not resist you. <sup>7</sup> Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. <sup>8</sup> You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. <sup>9</sup> Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door. <sup>10</sup> As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful. <sup>12</sup> But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your “yes” be yes and your “no” be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation. <sup>13</sup> Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. <sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup> Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. <sup>17</sup> Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup> Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit. <sup>19</sup> My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, <sup>20</sup> let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**8AM MINISTRY OF MUSIC... “Come Christians Join To Sing” by Praise and Worship  
Choir Traditional Spanish Hymn (Madrid) Arranged by Jay Althouse**

**Revelation 19:4-5** - And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who was seated on the throne, saying 'Amen! Alleluia!' And from the throne came a voice saying, 'Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him small and great.'

**HOLY GOSPEL..... Mark 9:38–50**  
*(Temptations to sin)*

<sup>38</sup> John said to him, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” <sup>39</sup> But Jesus said, “Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup> For the one who is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup> For truly, I say to

you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward.<sup>42</sup> “Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup> And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup> And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup> And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup> ‘where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.’ <sup>49</sup> For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup> Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

### ***APOSTLES' CREED***

***HYMN OF THE DAY*** ..... ***“Hoy, Holy, Holy”*** ..... **[LSB 507]**

### ***SERMON***

***OFFERING/OFFERTORY*** ..... ***“Create In Me”***..... **[LSB 956]**

### ***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH***

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People respond: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.

Pastor: For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.

Pastor: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.

Pastor: For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Pastor: For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord.

Pastor: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.

Pastor: For the sick , the dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Pastor: For . . . . . let us pray to the Lord.

Pastor: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER  
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**BENEDICTION Psalm 104:31, 33–34**

Pastor: May the glory of the Lord endure forever;

**People: may the Lord rejoice in His works,**

Pastor: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

**People: I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

Pastor: May my meditation be pleasing to Him,

**People: for I rejoice in the Lord.**

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..... "Son Of God, Eternal Savior"..... [stz 1, 4 LSB 842]***

**SILENT PRAYER**

**GREETING OF PEACE**

**POSTLUDE**

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