

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD
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THE DAY OF PENTECOST

"The Spirit's Elemental Ministry"

5:30PM — June 8, 2019

8:00AM — June 9, 2019



THOSE WHO SERVE US

Each Member of St. John's	A Minister
Rev. Ted Gall	Pastor
Rev. Gary Fortkamp	Worship Leader
Mrs. Sandy Esker	Preschool Director
Mrs. Jerry Starner	Organist
Mr. Brent Budde	Song Leader
St. John's Praise Band	10:30AM
Mr. Dave Wall	5:30PM Elder on Duty
Camille & Kateleigh Zeigler	5:30PM Acolyte
Mr. Jeff Stremming	8AM Elder on Duty
Makenna Duckwitz	8AM Acolyte
Mr. Jim Schroeder	10:30AM Elder on Duty
Evan Pryor	10:30AM Acolyte
Mr. Jake Wendling	Elder on Duty for June 10-
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 are given to the glory of God in honor of Ilda Wendling by Doug & Brenda, Phillip & Tammy, Adam, MaryBelle & family, Trevor, Kelsey and family, Lucas & Lauren. Ilda turns 92 years young today. We wish her God's blessings as she celebrates.

AS WE GATHER Earth, water, wind, and fire—the primordial elements of creation—provide a finite structure for our access to the infinite God descending for us through Word and Sacrament. From dust of earth our bodies have been created, and to dust we shall return. Nevertheless we are the bearers of God's presence in the world. In the waters of Holy Baptism we are washed and sealed as divine sons and daughters. The breath of God hovering over the waters at creation hovers also over baptismal waters, where new life in Christ begins. That Jesus would baptize with the Holy Spirit and with fire was foretold by John the Baptist. This fire is the consuming love of God, a crucible through which the dross of sin and death is removed and the gold of faith and life is refined. Come, Holy Spirit!

+ PREPARATION +

HYMN..... *“Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest”* **[LSB 498]**

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 143:8, 10*

Pastor: Let me hear in the morning of Your steadfast love,

People: for in You I trust.

Pastor: Make me know the way I should go,

People: for to You I lift up my soul.

Pastor: Teach me to do Your will,

People: for You are my God!

Pastor: Let Your good Spirit lead me

People: on level ground!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Creator Spirit,

People: we confess our alienation from You both by nature and by choice. We have not allowed Your love to have free reign in us, and so our love for You, for ourselves, and for other people keeps on faltering. Dishonesty and image-protection often characterize our way of being, and we forget who we are and where we belong. Kindle within us the fire of Your love.

Blow over us with Your wind of transformation. Heal us with forgiveness for Jesus' sake.

Pastor: Come, Holy Spirit! Breathe over and ignite the love of God both within and among us! Our dear Holy Trinity in mercy has given the Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Jesus and by His authority, 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 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text*

KYRIE

Pastor: O Lord, who graciously frustrates the plans of our sinful nature,

People: have mercy on us.

Pastor: O Christ, who promised the Holy Spirit to be our convicting and comforting counselor,

People: have mercy on us.

Pastor: O Lord, who on Pentecost breathed the Holy Spirit upon Your gathered people,

People: have mercy on us, and grant us Your peace. Amen.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; 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..... **Genesis 11:1–9**
(The tower of Babel: one language confused and many people scattered)

11 Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for

ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.”⁵ And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built.⁶ And the LORD said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them.⁷ Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.”⁸ So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city.⁹ Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL Acts 2:17b; Rom. 10:10

I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy. With the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

SECOND READING..... Acts 2:1–21

(The Holy Spirit fills Jesus’ gathered followers, energizing them to tell of God’s mighty works.)

2 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them.⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven.⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language.⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?”⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome,¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.”¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?”¹³ But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.¹⁵ For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day.¹⁶ But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:¹⁷ “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;¹⁸ even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they

shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; ²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. ²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL..... *John 14:23–31*
(Jesus promises that the Father will send the Holy Spirit as the Counselor.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

²³ Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me. ²⁵ "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. ³⁰ I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, ³¹ but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED.....(as found on the back page of the hymnal)

HYMN OF THE DAY "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord"..... [LSB 497]

SERMON..... "You Have A Helper"John 14:23-31

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray together in Christ Jesus for all people according to their needs. Counselor Spirit, thank You for Your ministry among us through Your Law and Gospel. Use them to convict Your people of all the ways we turn away from Your love and to comfort us with healing forgiveness through Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Fire of Love, pour out the love of Jesus into the hearts of Your people. Inspire all who speak Your Word among us with wisdom and faithfulness. Create a receptive spaciousness in all who attend to Your Word that Your people hear and gladly follow Your voice. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Spirit of Peace, there is much violence and turmoil in this world. Grant to the leaders of our communities, regions, and all nations courage to serve all who are marginalized, impoverished, and outcast; to listen to the voices of the voiceless; to put an end to warfare and violence; and to protect life in all its forms; that all people live in peace and quietness. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Breath of God, breathe Your healing presence among all people who suffer any affliction of body, mind, or spirit, [*especially . . .*]. Lift up the downcast, restore the fallen, strengthen the weak, and fill the hungry with good things. Help all who suffer to trust in Your abiding presence and to rest in Your love that surrounds us all. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Spirit of Jesus, the Table is set for the feast of Communion in Jesus' own body and blood. Give to all who partake of the Lord's Supper today the willingness and humility to follow Jesus' example of other-centered, self-giving love for all people. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Spirit of Unity, You call, gather, enlighten, and sanctify the people of God in every tribe, kindred, nation, and language throughout the many diversities of this world. Help us to live with our families, neighbors, fellow students, and co-workers with the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Keep us in Jesus who is the way, the truth, and the life until that day when we dwell together under God's reign of love among all the saints in light. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

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

People: Amen.

OFFERING/OFFERTORY..... (p. 192 in hymnal)

COMMISSIONING OF VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (p. 195 in hymnal)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final

judgment. Sanctified and kept in the one true faith, we pray the prayer Jesus taught us.

LORD'S PRAYER

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI.....(p. 198 in hymnal)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS “Soul Adorn Thyself with Gladness”..... [LSB 636]
“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”..... [LSB 686]

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE.....(p. 199 in hymnal)

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to 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..... “In Thee is Gladness”..... [LSB 818]

SILENT PRAYER

GREETING OF PEACE

POSTLUDE

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