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FIFTHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
"Lord, Have Mercy!"

5:30PM — September 21, 2019
8:00AM — September 22, 2019



THOSE WHO SERVE US

Each Member of St. John's	A Minister
Worship Leader	Rev. Gary Fortkamp
Mrs. Sandy Esker	Preschool Director
Mrs. Linda White.....	8:00 AM Organist
St. John's Praise Band.....	10:30AM
Mrs. Kiley Bohnhoff.....	Song Leader
Mr. Howard Janis.....	5:30PM Elder on Duty
Makenna Duckwitz.....	5:30PM Acolyte
Mr. Jeff Stremming	8AM Elder on Duty
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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 We need mercy. In fact, all people need mercy. In today's Epistle, Paul urges that prayers be made for all people—for kings and all in authority. In our tense political times, we may be reluctant to pray for those we consider our political enemies, but God calls on us to pray for all, whether rich or poor, whether we agree with them or not. God desires to show mercy to all people.

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN "Glory Be to God the Father" **LSB 506**

CONFIRMATION... (10:30 A.M.) **Pgs 272 – 274 of Hymnal**

Devin Frailey.....**John 14:6**

Julie Sudkamp.....**Psalm 23:1**

Cory Wahl.....**Ephesians 2:8-9**

INVOCATION

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

People: **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: God invites us to speak to Him.

People: **He wants to hear from us.**

Pastor: He longs to hear our supplications and prayers,

People: **our intercessions and thanksgivings for all people.**

Pastor: God desires that all people are saved

People: **and come to a knowledge of the truth.**

Pastor: Whether rich or poor, rulers or the destitute,

People: **God desires to save all people.**

Pastor: Blessed be the name of the Lord

People: **from this time forth and forevermore!**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Though God invites us to speak with Him in prayer, we have ignored His invitation. We may be tempted to choose complaining and worrying over conversing with God. We may be tempted to listen to ourselves and the world instead of to God's Word. We turn to God's infinite mercy and ask for His forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

Pastor: Heavenly Father,

People: **we confess that we have ignored You and the gift of prayer and conversation with You. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive our sins. Restore us as Your beloved people.**

Pastor: God hears your confession and invites you back into holy conversation with Him. Almighty God in His mercy showed His love for us in this, that He gave His Son, Jesus Christ, to die and rise for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen. We rejoice in the mercy of God's forgiveness. We will listen and speak to Him.**

+ WORD +

INTROIT *Psalm 119:137–140, 142; antiphon: v. 144*

You are righteous, LORD,
and your laws are right.

¹³⁸ The statutes you have laid down are righteous;
they are fully trustworthy.

¹³⁹ My zeal wears me out,
for my enemies ignore your words.

¹⁴⁰ Your promises have been thoroughly tested,
and your servant loves them.

¹⁴² Your righteousness is everlasting
and your law is true.

¹⁴⁴ Your statutes are always righteous;
give me understanding that I may live.

KYRIE.....(*pg. 204 in hymnal*)

HYMN OF PRAISE.....(*pg. 204 in hymnal*)

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING*Amos 8:4-7*
(The Lord does not forget dishonesty toward the poor.)

⁴ Hear this, you who trample the needy
and do away with the poor of the land,

⁵ saying,
“When will the New Moon be over
that we may sell grain,
and the Sabbath be ended
that we may market wheat?”—

skimping on the measure,
boosting the price
and cheating with dishonest scales,

⁶ buying the poor with silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
selling even the sweepings with the wheat.

⁷ The LORD has sworn by himself, the Pride of Jacob: “I will never forget anything they have done.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE..... 1 Timothy 2:5-6a

(God desires all people to be saved.)

Alleluia⁵ For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 16: 1-15

(The parable of the dishonest manager)

¹⁶ Jesus told his disciples: “There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. ² So he called him in and asked him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.’

³ “The manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I’m not strong enough to dig, and I’m ashamed to beg— ⁴ I know what I’ll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.’

⁵ “So he called in each one of his master’s debtors. He asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’

⁶ “‘Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,’ he replied.

“The manager told him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.’

⁷ “Then he asked the second, ‘And how much do you owe?’

“‘A thousand bushels of wheat,’ he replied.

“He told him, ‘Take your bill and make it eight hundred.’

⁸ “The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. ⁹ I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

¹⁰ “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. ¹¹ So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? ¹² And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own?

¹³ “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

¹⁴ The Pharisees, who loved money, heard all this and were sneering at Jesus. ¹⁵ He said to them, “You are the ones who justify yourselves in the eyes of others, but God knows your hearts. What people value highly is detestable in God’s sight.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY..... “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”.....**LSB 702**

SERMON..... “Be Faithful”.....**Luke 16:1-15**

OFFERTORY AND OFFERING... “We Give Thee But Thine Own”....LSB 781; vs 1 & 2

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Dear heavenly Father, You desire that all people are saved and come to a knowledge of the truth. Send out messengers and missionaries to every corner of the earth that people from every tribe, nation, and language would hear the saving mercy of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, send Your mercy to all who are struggling financially, the homeless, the poor, the unemployed, the underemployed, and those dealing with unexpected situations. Lead them through this challenging road and provide people and systems to help them. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, walk with all those who are grieving in the shadow of death, [*especially* . . .]. Comfort them with the hope of the resurrection to eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, You invite us into holy conversation with You through prayer, but we often neglect this invitation. Help us to speak to You more frequently and more fervently. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, You sent Your Son to be the mediator between God and humanity. Grant us peace and reconciliation in our homes, our congregation, our community, our country, and throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [*especially* . . .]. Have mercy upon them and heal them according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, we commend all of these things to Your infinite mercies, which are new every morning. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer. Amen.**

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

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.**

Psalm 136]

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, whom You sent to show us mercy and be our mediator and ransom. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

(p. 208 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.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20;
1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

People: Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

PAX DOMINI

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

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

(p. 210 in hymnal)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“O Lord, We Praise Thee”

LSB 617

“Your Table I Approach”

LSB 628

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

LSB 636

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

(p. 211 in hymnal)

POST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have sent Jesus to be our ransom and forgiveness. We implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us in this Sacrament so that we show mercy to others; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

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..... *“What Is the World to Me”*.....**LSB 730**

SILENT PRAYER

GREETING OF PEACE

POSTLUDE



**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
FIFTHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 22, 2019**

“Serve God Alone” (Luke 16:1-15)

Money, wealth, power, and fame in this life can be deceptively satisfactory, but it will never be enough. Loving God, serving Him, being generous and obedient with what He’s entrusted to you will bring you true satisfaction and peace. In this parable, Jesus warns that you cannot serve both God and money.

“YOU ARE MY KING” PRESERVICE #1

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken
I'm accepted, You were condemned
I'm alive and well, Your spirit lives within me
Because You died and rose again

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken
I'm accepted, You were condemned
I'm alive and well, Your spirit lives within me
Because You died and rose again

Amazing Love, how can it be?
That You, my King, would die for me
Amazing Love, I know it's true
And it's my joy to honor You

Amazing Love, how can it be?
That You, my King, would die for me
Amazing Love, I know it's true
And it's my joy to honor You

In all I do, I honor You
You are my King
Jesus, You are my King
Jesus, You are my King
Jesus, You are my King

Amazing Love, how can it be?
That You, my King, would die for me
Amazing Love, I know it's true
And it's my joy to honor You

In all I do, I honor You
In all I do, I honor You



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“You Are So Good To Me”..... **PRESERVICE #2**

You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
And I will sing again

You are so good to me
You heal my broken heart
You are my Father in Heaven
You are so good to me
You heal my broken heart
You are my Father in Heaven

You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song

You ride upon the clouds
You lead me to the truth
You are the Spirit inside me
You ride upon the clouds
You lead me to the truth
You are the Spirit inside me

You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
And I will sing again

You are my strong melody
You are my dancing rhythm
You are my perfect rhyme
And I will sing of You forever

You poured out all Your blood
You died upon the cross
You are my Jesus who loves me
You poured out all Your blood
You died upon the cross
You are my Jesus who loves me

You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
You are beautiful my sweet, sweet song
And I will sing again

You are my Father in Heaven
You are the Spirit inside me
You are my Jesus who loves me

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WORSHIP THEME: **Serve God Alone** **Luke 16:1-15**

Money, wealth, power, and fame in this life can be deceptively satisfactory, but it will never be enough. Loving God, serving Him, being generous and obedient with what He's entrusted to you will bring you true satisfaction and peace. In this parable, Jesus warns that you cannot serve both God and money

WORSHIP AND TIME OF GREETING

Pastor: If you're anything like me, you may have entered this place carrying some sort of load. Perhaps it's something on your mind that you can't stop thinking about. Maybe you're carrying a financial burden. It could be that you aren't feeling the best or have been sick for years. Maybe you're struggling with a sin that you feel like you won't ever be free from. If you're anything like me, sometimes I don't feel like worshipping because of my changing circumstances. Friends, I have good news for you- in spite of what's happening in the world, in our city, and in our personal day-to-day lives, the Lord is unchanging! He isn't swayed by circumstances and He is our strong tower, the lighthouse we spot in the storm. And no matter what is happening in your life today, He can handle it. So, let's give the burdens that we are carrying to the One who carries it for us with grace as we worship Him this morning.

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

HYMN....."Oh, That I had a Thousand Voices"LSB 811:vs 1 & 2

- 1. Oh, that I had a thousand voices To praise my God with thousand tongues!
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices, Would then proclaim in grateful songs
To all, wherever I might be, What great things God has done for me.**
- 2. O all you pow'rs that He implanted, Arise, keep silence now no more;
Put forth the strength that God has granted! Your noblest work is to adore.
O soul and body, join to raise With heartfelt joy our Maker's praise.**

CONFIRMATION.....Pgs 272-274 of Hymnal

DEVIN FRAILEY.....John 14:6
JULIE SUDKAMP.....Psalm 23:1
CORY WAHL.....Ephesians 2:8-9

OPENING SONG "OH HOW GOOD IT IS"

Oh how good it is
When the family of God

Dwells together in spirit
In faith and unity.
Where the bonds of peace,
Of acceptance and love
Are the fruit of His presence
Here among us.

CHORUS

So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord
And with one heart we'll live out His word
Till the whole earth sees
The Redeemer has come
For He dwells in the presence of His people.

Oh how good it is
On this journey we share
To rejoice with the happy
And weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength
The afflicted find grace
When we offer the blessing
Of belonging.

CHORUS

Oh how good it is
To embrace His command
To prefer one another
Forgive as He forgives.
When we live as one
We all share in the love
Of the Son with the Father
And the Spirit.

CHORUS

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INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: Who are the servants of the Lord?

People: We are!

Pastor: Let the name of the Lord be praised. He is exalted over all the nations, over all the earth.

People: He lifts the poor from the dust and seats them with princes.

Pastor: All you servants of the Lord praise Him!

People: Praise the Lord.

Opening Prayer / Theme Introduction

Pastor: Gracious and generous God, we fix our eyes on You who are seated enthroned on high. There is no one like You, God. Teach us the ways You call righteous, obedient, and true. May we dedicate our whole hearts to You and no one or nothing else.

People: In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: We confess that we are sinners.

People: We are sinners who need the redemption of Jesus Christ.

Pastor: We admit that we are at fault. We confess of the times we've taken advantage of others, judged one another, and thought of ourselves more highly than we ought.

People: We confess that we have torn apart others with our words and thoughts. We've made money our master and failed in wise stewardship of the assets to which You've entrusted us.

Pastor: Forgive us, Master.

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Pastor: We know this is not Your will for us to live enslaved to sin.

People: Thank you for the freedom you've provided through the death and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the forgiver of our sins and leader of our lives.

Pastor: In the name of Jesus, we pray,

People: Amen.

† We Hear God's Word †

Amos 8:4-7.....(on page 1429 in NIV pew Bible).....page 4 in bulletin
1 Timothy 2:1-15.....(on page 1846 in NIV pew Bible).....page 5 in bulletin
Luke 16:1-15.....(on page 1625 in NIV pew Bible).....Page 5 in bulletin

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....Nicene Creed

People: I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,**

being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
...dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✕ of the world to come. Amen.

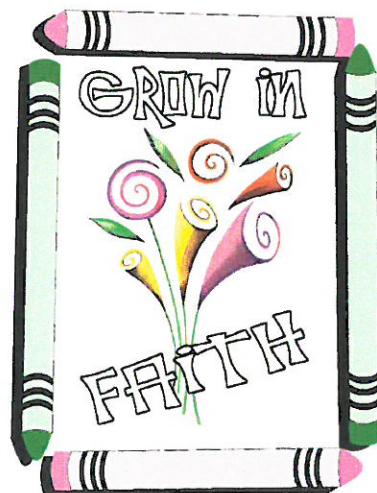
“BY FAITH” **SERMON SONG**

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave



By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight
By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
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Till the race is finished and the work is done
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MESSAGE **"Be Faithful"** **Luke 16:1-15**

"GOD IS SO GOOD" **OFFERING SONG**

God is so good,	He cares for me,	I praise His name,
God is so good,	He cares for me,	I praise His name,
God is so good,	He cares for me,	I praise His name,
He's so good to me	He's so good to me	He's so good to me

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PRAYERS.....**Page 6 of the bulletin**

LORD'S PRAYER

**People: Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,**

Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

† We Celebrate the Lord's Supper †

Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.

We Prepare

Pastor: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God. When our Risen Lord was seated with His disciples, He took bread, blessed it and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him.

People: Lord, open our eyes to recognize You as we take the bread and remember all that You've done for us.

Pastor: In the same way He took the cup saying: "This is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

People: We eat this bread and drink this cup proclaiming the saving death of our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ, until He returns again. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

"THIS IS THE FEAST" COMMUNION SONG

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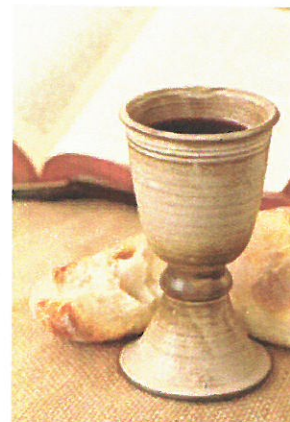
This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.(Refrain)

Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are His.(Refrain)

Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation. (Refrain)



Blessing, honor, glory and might
Be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. (Refrain)

For the Lamb who was slain
has begun His reign. Alleluia. (Refrain)

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DISMISSAL BLESSING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

† We Depart in Peace †

BENEDICTION

*Pastor: Serve the Lord and serve Him only. Evaluate your hearts this week and shed
any idols that have falsely throned themselves in your lives.*

People: We will serve God alone. There is no one like our God!

"ALL THE PEOPLE SAID AMEN"..... CLOSING SONG

You are not alone if you are lonely
When you feel afraid you're not the only
We are all the same in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on
But thank God it's all you need

And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen

If you're rich or poor well it don't matter
Weak or strong you know love is what we're after
We're all broken but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and fall
And He so loved the world
He sent His Son to save us all

And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen

Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For theirs is the kingdom the kingdom of God

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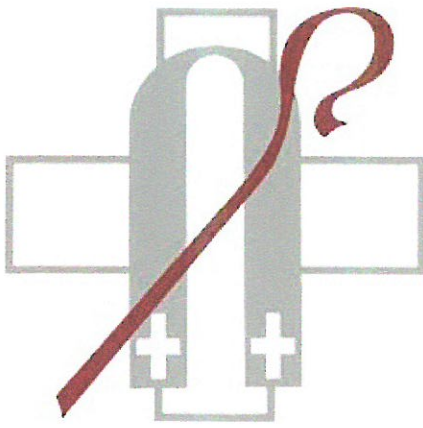
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We Exit to Serve

If this service has moved you spiritually and you have questions regarding your spiritual life, please feel free to visit with Pastor after the service.





September 13, 2019

To: St. John's Congregation
From: Your Board of Elders

After much prayer and anticipation, we realized God answered those prayers when Rev. Michael Burdick accepted the call to be our Senior Pastor. It is with great joy we announce Rev Burdick's installation:

**The Installation Service of
Rev. Michael Burdick
As Senior Pastor at St. John's
Sunday, October 6 at 3 p.m.**

Cake and punch reception to follow in the church fellowship hall

To welcome the Burdick's the Board of Social Ministry will be collecting gift cards or household items to present to the family as a housewarming gift at the reception on October 6th. Please drop the items by the church office. We will also have a table set up in the fellowship hall the day of installation for gifts and well wishes.