

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD  
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**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
*"Were Not Ten Cleansed?"*



5:30PM — October 12, 2019  
8:00AM — October 13, 2019

**THOSE WHO SERVE US**

Each Member of St. John's .....	A Minister
Rev. Mike Burdick .....	Pastor
Mrs. Sandy Esker.....	Preschool Director
Mrs. Dana Keller .....	Organist
Mrs. Erin Wendling .....	Song Leader
St. John's Praise Band.....	10:30AM
Mr. Jim Schroeder .....	5:30PM Elder on Duty
Mr. Jeff Stremming .....	8AM Elder on Duty
Andrew Lotz .....	8AM Acolyte
Mr. Jake Wendling .....	10:30AM Elder on Duty
Hank Sipe .....	10:30AM Acolyte
Mr. Jeff Stremming 217-821-3891...	Elder on Duty for October 14-October 18, 2019
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 our Pastor 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 the 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** Have been given to the glory of God in honor of Don & Patsy Latch's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

**AS WE GATHER** We have heard the Gospel account of the ten lepers so often we know it by heart. But we may still struggle to see clearly God's mercy in our hour of need, the full expression of His healing grace even to everlasting life, and how to respond with gratitude and thanksgiving. Christians, the Lord knows our need, and He will not abandon us in our hour of need. For us the goal remains to keep our eyes focused upon Jesus and to trust that His grace is sufficient for all our need. We pray the Lord to give us a grateful heart to rejoice in His gracious favor and not to forget all His benefits.

**+ PREPARATION +**

**OPENING HYMN.....“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”..... [LSB 528]**

**INVOCATION**

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

**People:** Amen.

**OPENING SENTENCES**

**Pastor:** The LORD has sent redemption to His people;

**People:** He has commanded His covenant forever.

**Pastor:** The LORD has sent redemption to His people;

**People:** Holy and awesome is His name!

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**Pastor:** Let us confess our sins unto God and implore His forgiveness for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ.

**People:** I, a poor sinner, plead guilty before God of all sins. I have lived as if God did not matter and as if I mattered most. My Lord's name I have not honored as I should; my worship and prayers have faltered. I have not let His love have its way with me, and so my love for others has failed. There are those whom I have hurt, and those whom I have failed to help. My thoughts and desires have been soiled with sin. I am sorry for all of this and ask for grace to forgive my sins and for the Holy Spirit so that I may amend my sinful life.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only Son to suffer and die for our salvation. 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.**

Pastor: Give thanks with a grateful heart!

**✠ WORD ✠**

**HYMN ..... “Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart” ..... [LSB 806]**

**SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; 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 ..... *Ruth 1:1–19a***  
**(Where you go, I will go.)**

<sup>1</sup>In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. <sup>2</sup>The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. <sup>3</sup>But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. <sup>4</sup>These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, <sup>5</sup>and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

<sup>6</sup>Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. <sup>7</sup>So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. <sup>8</sup>But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, “Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me.

<sup>9</sup> The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. <sup>10</sup> And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." <sup>11</sup> But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? <sup>12</sup> Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, <sup>13</sup> would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me." <sup>14</sup> Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

<sup>15</sup> And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." <sup>16</sup> But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. <sup>17</sup> Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." <sup>18</sup> And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

<sup>19</sup> So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM** ..... *Psalm 111*

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD.

I will extol the LORD with all my heart

**in the council of the upright and in the assembly.**

<sup>2</sup> Great are the works of the LORD;

**they are pondered by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup> Glorious and majestic are his deeds,

**and his righteousness endures forever.**

<sup>4</sup> He has caused his wonders to be remembered;

**the LORD is gracious and compassionate.**

<sup>5</sup> He provides food for those who fear him;

**he remembers his covenant forever.**

<sup>6</sup> He has shown his people the power of his works,

**giving them the lands of other nations.**

<sup>7</sup> The works of his hands are faithful and just;

**all his precepts are trustworthy.**

<sup>8</sup> They are established for ever and ever,

**enacted in faithfulness and uprightness.**

<sup>9</sup> He provided redemption for his people;  
**he ordained his covenant forever—  
holy and awesome is his name.**

<sup>10</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
**all who follow his precepts have good understanding.  
To him belongs eternal praise.**

**EPISTLE READING..... 2 Timothy 2:1–13**  
**(If we have died with Him, we shall also live with Him.)**

<sup>1</sup> You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. <sup>3</sup> Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup> No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. <sup>5</sup> An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. <sup>6</sup> It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. <sup>7</sup> Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

<sup>8</sup> Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, <sup>9</sup> for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! <sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup> The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;  
<sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him;  
if we deny him, he also will deny us;  
<sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful—  
for he cannot deny himself.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**CHOIR ANTHEM ..... “Sovereign God Our Great Creator”**

Revelation 4:8-11 (NIV) <sup>8</sup> Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying: “Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty, ‘who was, and is, and is to come.’”

<sup>9</sup> Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, <sup>10</sup> the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say: <sup>11</sup> “You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.”

**VERSE** ..... *Luke 5:15*

Alleluia. Now even more the report about Jesus went abroad, and great crowds gathered to hear Him and to be healed of their infirmities. Alleluia.

**HOLY GOSPEL** ..... *Luke 17:11–19*  
(Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?)

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

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

<sup>11</sup> Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!” <sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed.

<sup>15</sup> One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? <sup>18</sup> Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**HYMN OF THE DAY** ..... “Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old” [*LSB* 846]

**SERMON** ..... “Grace Grows Gratitude” ..... *Luke 17:11-19*

**CREED** *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.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Welcomed by the Lord, we come to present before Him the prayers of His people, trusting in His wisdom and grace to grant us all things in Christ for our good and for the good of all people.

Blessed Lord, You led Ruth to know You and by Your Spirit taught her fearful heart to trust in You for the future You had prepared. Grant us the same Spirit so that we, who know Your mercy in Christ, trust in Your eternal mercy in Jesus Christ for this life, for our forgiveness, and for our eternal salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord of all things, You have granted Your people Your presence and grace from age to age, that where Your Word dwells, You are present with forgiveness and life. Grant to Your Church and those who minister to us in Your name the grace of Your Spirit, that we hear Your Word and believe it, keep it in holy hearts, live it out in faithfulness to Your baptismal gift, and proclaim it to the ends of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**



Pastor: Mighty Lord, You hold all things in Your hand, including all the might of man.  
Give to us wise and faithful leaders who will guide and govern Your people according to Your commands and protect the weak and most vulnerable, including the unborn, the orphaned, the widowed, and the infirm. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Holy God, You are holy and righteous and have clothed us with the holiness and righteousness of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant us to desire and strive for holiness of life, doing the good You desire and avoiding the evil that contradicts Your gracious will and purpose. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Merciful Lord, You granted hope to lepers and gave them healing according to Your will and purpose. Grant to all the sick and suffering, the troubled in mind and heart, the grieving and dying the full measure of Your grace and strength, [*especially* . . .] Guard them against the temptation to doubt or despair, and keep them by Your Word through the days of their affliction when all the ills of this mortal life shall cease and we shall live fully the abundant life of Your promise. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Generous Lord, You daily provide mercies new and continue to nourish and nurture us in Your favor through all adversity. Instill in us a grateful heart, that we not presume Your goodness but live thankful and joyful lives because You have heard our cry and have delivered to us all that we need for this body and life and for everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God of grace, Your saints have loved and served You and provided a blessed example to us in our striving. Grant us the fortitude of Ruth, that we live in confidence of Your presence and Your guidance all our days, until at last You bring us to our final home, where, with all Your saints, we shall live in Your presence forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Gracious God, You not only supply all things for daily bread for this life but have granted to us the bread that is Christ's body and the cup of His blood, with which we are fed and nourished to everlasting life. Keep us from an unworthy communion because we doubt the forgiveness here offered. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: O Father of all mercies and God of our salvation, give to us all things good and holy and true, and build us up in these things, that knowing Your saving grace in Christ, we not fall victim to pride, temptation, or doubt, but endure all the changes of this mortal life with hope and peace through Jesus Christ, to whom we commend ourselves and all our prayers, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

## OFFERING

OFFERTORY ..... **“Bless This Offering”**

**God of Love, hear our prayer, bless this offering we bring you.  
May our lives do your will, guide and guard us forever.  
Give us courage to stand for truth, help us care for others.  
God of Love, hear our prayer, bless this offering we bring you.**

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## ✠ 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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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, O Lord, our God, for making all things and still preserving them and most especially for Your grace in delivering up Your own Son, Jesus Christ, in flesh, to be our Savior and Redeemer. What was fulfilled in Him and what He prepared for our salvation give to us according to Your mercy, that we be fed and nourished with His flesh offered up for our sin and be cleansed by our communion in His blood. Give to us Your Holy Spirit, that we come in repentance and faith and keep in holy lives what we now receive upon our lips; and by this Holy Supper, grow us in Your grace and favor to be people of love as You have loved us.

People: **Amen.**

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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.

**People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Pastor: Remember us in Your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray:

## 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.**

## PAX DOMINI

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

**People: Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI ..... (p. 210 in hymnal)**

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table” .....	[LSB 618]
“Your Table I Approach” .....	[LSB 628]
“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain” .....	[LSB 435]

**NUNC DIMITTIS** ..... (p. 211 in hymnal)

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, Your mercies never fail us, and daily You provide for all the needs of this life and everlasting life in Christ. Keep us from being ungrateful for Your love and care and from taking Your gifts without a thankful heart to receive Your generosity. Grant to us healing, strength, comfort, and peace, that we live in such confidence of the eternal gifts Your Son has given us that we not despair or grow weary in faith but be found faithful when He comes again in glory to bring all things to their fullness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## 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.

**People: Amen.**

**HYMN** ..... “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” [LSB 918]

WE EXIT TO SERVE