

**Welcome!**

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Lutheran  
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(LCMS)

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Hope, Teaching,  
Serving, and  
Proclaiming”

**Pastor**

Mike Burdick

**Sept 12, 2021**

The 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
after Pentecost

# Welcome

We welcome you to God's Service in worship at St. John's, and extend a special welcome to all guests and visitors with us.

- Restrooms are located on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> floors. Those on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors include diaper-changing stations.
- The Service video is broadcast in the Atrium and in the Library area on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor.
- Visitors are not expected to bring an offering. Our members do so in free response to the Gospel and to finance the extension of God's Kingdom. They place offerings in the boxes at the North and West doors, or give through our online portal on our website.
- **All worshipers are requested to complete an attendance card (located in the pew) and to place them in the boxes at the North and West doors. Thank you!**

## Those Who Serve Us

Each Member of St. John's.....	The Body of Christ
Rev. Mike Burdick.....	Pastor
Rev. Gary Fortkamp.....	Visitation Pastor
Mrs. Sandy Esker .....	Preschool Director
Mrs. Jerry Starner.....	Organist
Mrs. Holly Adams .....	Song Leader
St. John's Praise Band .....	10:30am Music
Alex Gordon, Hayden & Melia Wendling.....	Acolytes
Mr. Todd Zeigler.....	5:30pm Elder on Duty
Mr. Jim Schroeder .....	8:00am Elder on Duty
Mr. Jeff Weis.....	10:30am Elder on Duty
Mr. Dave Worman 217-821-7819.....	Elder on Duty for September 13 – September 17
Chatelain School & Baja School .....	Our Schools for feeding in Haiti
Ms. Janet Martins.....	Stephen Ministry Leader
Mrs. Julie Scott.....	(1-217-343-3047) Prayer Partner Coordinator
State, National & International Missions .....	through our District and Synod

## Holy Communion

Welcome! 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*" elements of the Holy Supper. Please register your intent to commune on the pew card after prayerfully reading it. 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. Thank You.

**Altar Flowers** are in celebration of the marriage of Kirby and Nicole Tolch.



### **Order of Worship**

*You will find the songs for our 10:30am Service in italics.*

#### ***“When We Love Someone”***

#### ***Preservice #1***

*Hey, are we listening?  
There's someone crying out right now  
And yeah, we all know what it feels like  
When up is really upside down  
Everybody's got their story  
The hard days and the long nights  
Everybody needs somebody  
Now might be the time*

*When we love, when we love, when we love someone  
We're the evidence, the evidence of You  
When we love like You love, we can see You move  
You're alive in us when we love someone*

*Hey, I keep thinking  
Life is more than where we are  
So come on, let's be part of something  
Something that can change somebody's heart  
Cause everybody's got their story  
The heartbreaks and the hard times  
And everybody needs somebody  
Standing by their side*

*When we love, when we love, when we love someone  
We're the evidence, the evidence of You  
When we love like You love, we can see You move  
You're alive in us when we love someone*

*So God give me a heart like Yours  
Help me to look at the world like You do  
I wanna be caught up in Your love  
Cause Your love is enough to mend the most broken of lives  
Please God, help me to love like You  
Help me to love like You  
Help me to love like You*

*When we love, when we love, when we love someone  
We're the evidence, the evidence of You  
When we love like You love, we can see You move  
You're alive in us when we love someone*

*When we love someone  
When we love someone  
When we love someone  
When we love someone*

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## ***"The Lion And The Lamb"***

## ***Preservice #2***

*He's coming on the clouds  
Kings and kingdoms will bow down  
And every chain will break  
As broken hearts declare His praise  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty*

*Our God is the Lion  
The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power  
And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him*

*Our God is the Lamb  
The Lamb that was slain  
For the sin of the world  
His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb*

*So open up the gates  
Make way before the King of kings  
Our God who comes to save  
Is here to set the captives free  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty*

*Our God is the Lion  
The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power  
And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him*

*Our God is the Lamb  
The Lamb that was slain  
For the sin of the world  
His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb*

*Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord (Almighty)*

*Our God is the Lion  
The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power  
And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him*

*Our God is the Lamb  
The Lamb that was slain  
For the sin of the world  
His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb*

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## **Call to Worship**

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome**

*"God is so Good"**(10:30) Opening Song*

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

"God Is So Good" Public Domain Scripture Reference: 1 Chronicles 16:34 CCLI License 51072 Confession and Absolution

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die 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.

**C** **Amen.**

**Kyrie***LSB 152*

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen.**

**This Is the Feast (5:30 & 8:00)**

*LSB 155*

**C 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.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of those who are taught,  
that I may know how to sustain with a word  
him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;  
he awakens my ear  
to hear as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious;  
I turned not backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who strike,  
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;  
I hid not my face  
from disgrace and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>But the Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like a flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

<sup>8</sup>He who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?  
Let him come near to me.

<sup>9</sup>Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?  
Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;  
the moth will eat them up.

<sup>10</sup>Who among you fears the LORD  
and obeys the voice of his servant?  
Let him who walks in darkness  
and has no light  
trust in the name of the LORD  
and rely on his God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



## Psalm

*Psalm 116:1–9; antiphon: v. 5*

- <sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, because he has heard  
**my voice and my pleas for mercy.**
- <sup>2</sup>Because he inclined his ear to me,  
**therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**
- <sup>3</sup>The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;  
**I suffered distress and anguish.**
- <sup>4</sup>Then I called on the name of the LORD:  
**“O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”**
- <sup>5</sup>Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;  
**our God is merciful.**
- <sup>6</sup>The LORD preserves the simple;  
**when I was brought low, he saved me.**
- <sup>7</sup>Return, O my soul, to your rest;  
**for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.**
- <sup>8</sup>For you have delivered my soul from death,  
**my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;**
- <sup>9</sup>I will walk before the LORD  
**in the land of the living.**

## Epistle

*James 3:1–12*

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. <sup>4</sup>Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, <sup>8</sup>but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia and Verse

P Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

C **You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## Holy Gospel

*Mark 9:14–29*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. <sup>15</sup>And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. <sup>16</sup>And he asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” <sup>17</sup>And someone from the crowd answered him, “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. <sup>18</sup>And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” <sup>19</sup>And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.” <sup>20</sup>And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. <sup>21</sup>And Jesus asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. <sup>22</sup>And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” <sup>23</sup>And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.” <sup>24</sup>Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” <sup>25</sup>And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.” <sup>26</sup>And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” <sup>27</sup>But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. <sup>28</sup>And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” <sup>29</sup>And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Apostles' Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**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.**

**Sermon**

**“Grace Bears Fruit ... in Words”**

**James 3:1-12**

**Prayer of the Church**

**Service of the Sacrament**

**Preface**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**P** 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.

**C** **Amen.**

**The Words of Our Lord**

**Lord's Prayer**

**C** **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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

## Agnus Dei (5:30 & 8:00)

LSB 163

**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Distribution

Hymn #618

Hymn #545

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table  
Word of God, Come Down to Earth

### *"This I Believe" (The Creed)*

*(10:30) Communion Song*

*Our Father everlasting  
The all creating One  
God Almighty*

*Our Judge and our Defender  
Suffered and crucified  
Forgiveness is in You*

*Through Your Holy Spirit  
Conceiving Christ the Son  
Jesus our Saviour*

*Descended into darkness  
You rose in glorious life  
Forever seated high*

*I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in one  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

*I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in one  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

*I believe in You  
I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord*

*I believe in You  
I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord*

*I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in one  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

*I believe in life eternal  
I believe in the virgin birth  
I believe in the saints' communion  
And in Your holy Church  
I believe in the resurrection  
When Jesus comes again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

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### ***"The Lamb"***

***(10:30) Communion Song***

*The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice  
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!*

*Refrain  
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!*

*The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.  
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.*

### ***Refrain***

*The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill  
So still, His will On our behalf the Law to fill.*

### ***Refrain***

*He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness.  
He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness.*

### ***Refrain***

*He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows.  
His song prolong Till ev'ry heart to Him belong.*

### ***Refrain***

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## Communion Blessing

### Post-Communion Collect

Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### Benediction

LSB 166

### Hymn #923

### Almighty Father, Bless the Word

#### *"Your Grace Is Enough"*

*(10:30) Closing Song*

*Great is Your faithfulness Oh God  
You wrestle with the sinner's heart  
You lead us by still waters and to mercy  
And nothing can keep us apart*

*So remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise  
Oh God*

*Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me*

*Great is Your love and justice God  
You use the weak to lead the strong  
You lead us in the song of Your salvation  
And all Your people sing along*

*So remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise  
Oh God*

*Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me*

*Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me*

*So remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise  
Oh God*

*Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me*

*Your grace is enough  
Heaven reaching down to us  
Your grace is enough for me  
God I see Your grace is enough  
I'm covered in Your love  
Your grace is enough for me  
For me*

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### Postlude

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