



## St. John's Lutheran Church (LCMS)

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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.

- Offerings are placed in the boxes at the North and West doors, before or after worship.
- Little Children's Worship bags are available in the Atrium.
- 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.
- **All worshipers are requested to complete an attendance card. They will be collected by the acolyte after the sermon. Thank you!**
- Share prayer requests using the yellow cards in the pews.

### Those Who Serve Us

Each Member of St. John's .....	The Body of Christ
Rev. Mike Burdick.....	Pastor
Rev. Trey Dille.....	Pastor
Rev. Gary Fortkamp .....	Visitation Pastor
Mrs. Carrie Collier.....	Preschool Director
Mrs. Dana Keller .....	Organist
Mrs. Erin Wendling.....	Song Leader
St. John's Praise Band .....	10:30am Music
Mason & Max Stewart, Paisley Bloemer, and Cloie Bailey .....	Acolytes
Mr. Dave Worman .....	5:30pm Elder on Duty
Mr. Ray Hartman .....	8:00am Elder on Duty
Mr. Howard Janis.....	10:30am Elder on Duty
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Mrs. Julie Scott .....	(217-343-3047) Prayer Partner Coordinator
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Alter Flowers are in honor of Dan & Windy Westfall's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

October 6, 2024  
20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. John's in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives us not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Jesus invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. Thank you.

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

**Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday**

***"Last Page Of The Bible"***

***Preservice #1***

*Troubled times troubled soul  
Troubled world spinning out of control  
Just when you think it can't get worse  
It does*

*Yeah that devil might think he won  
But when it's all been said and done  
The Good Book says and I believe  
My God reigns in victory*

*Feels like more than I can take  
Like this heart was just born to break  
But no matter what  
There ain't no way I'm giving up no*

*I've read the last page of the Bible  
I know how the story ends  
Remember this my Jesus is coming back again  
Trouble may last for a moment  
And weeping may last for a night  
But I've read the last page of the Bible  
And it's all gonna be all gonna be alright*

*I've read the last page of the Bible  
I know how the story ends  
Remember this my Jesus is coming back again*

*Trouble may last for a moment  
And weeping may last for a night  
But I've read the last page of the Bible  
And it's all gonna be all gonna be alright*

*Every tear (every tear)  
Wiped away (wiped away)  
No more sorrow (no more sorrow)  
No more pain (no more pain)*

*(Continued)*

*Every tear (every tear)  
Wiped away (wiped away)  
No more sorrow (no more sorrow)  
I can't wait (I can't wait)*

*I've read the last page of the Bible  
I know how the story ends  
Remember this my Jesus is coming back again*

*Trouble may last for a moment  
And weeping may last for a night  
But I've read the last page of the Bible  
And it's all gonna be all gonna be alright*

*Trouble may last for a moment  
And weeping may last for a night  
But I've read the last page of the Bible  
And it's all gonna be all gonna be alright*

"Last Page Of The Bible" written by Anne Wilson, Jeff Pardo, Matthew West © BrentHood Music Scripture Reference: Revelation 22:20 CCLI Song: 7240617 CCLI License: 51072

## ***"Victory In Jesus"***

## **Preservice #2**

*I heard an old old story  
How a Savior came from glory  
How He gave His life on Calvary  
To save a wretch like me  
I heard about His groaning  
Of His precious blood's atoning  
Then Jesus died upon the cross  
And won the victory*

*O victory in Jesus  
My Savior forever  
He sought me and He bought me  
With His redeeming blood  
He loved me ere I knew Him  
And all my love is due Him  
He plunged me to victory  
Beneath the cleansing flood*

*I heard about His healing  
Of His cleansing pow'r revealing  
How He made the lame to walk again  
And caused the blind to see  
And then I cried dear Jesus*

*Come and heal my broken spirit  
And then my Jesus came and brought  
To me the victory*

*O victory in Jesus  
My Savior forever  
He sought me and He bought me  
With His redeeming blood  
He loved me ere I knew Him  
And all my love is due Him  
He plunged me to victory  
Beneath the cleansing flood*

*O victory in Jesus  
My Savior forever  
He sought me and He bought me  
With His redeeming blood  
He loved me ere I knew Him  
And all my love is due Him  
He plunged me to victory  
Beneath the cleansing flood  
He plunged me to victory  
Beneath the cleansing flood*

"Victory In Jesus" written by Eugene M. Bartlett © Words: 1939 Mrs. E.M. Bartlett Scripture Reference: 1 Corinthians 15:57 CCLI Song: 1259 CCLI License: 51072

**Divine Service Four**

READY TO  
*serve*

••••• LUKE 1:38 •••••

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

**Welcome**

**Hymn #788**

**Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness**

***“Song of Blessing”***

***(10:30) Opening Song***

*Come dear Lord, be our guest, as we gather together.  
May our hearts glow with love, keep us close to you ever.  
Friendship and joy, may they bloom and grow, bloom and grow forever,  
Bless our homes, bless our friends, Bless our common endeavors.*

*May the Lord, mighty God, Bless and Keep You Forever.  
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.  
Lift your eyes and see His face, and His grace forever.  
May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep you forever!*

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**Confession and Absolution**

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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.

### Service of the Word

**Kyrie (5:30 & 8:00)**

*Mark 10:47 LSB 204*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**Gloria in Excelsis (5:30 & 8:00)**

*Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 204*



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Almighty God, You announce Your will for us in mysterious and troubling ways. We pray that, as Mary once heard and accepted the angel's message of Your will, we too may hear Your call and respond with full faith and willingness to serve; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading

*1 Samuel 3:1-10*

<sup>1</sup>The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

<sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. <sup>3</sup>The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

<sup>6</sup>And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

<sup>8</sup>And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup>And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Bell Choir

**"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"**

## Gradual

*Psalm 45:6-7a*

Your throne, O God, is forever and ever.

The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness;  
**you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.**

**Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness.**

## Epistle

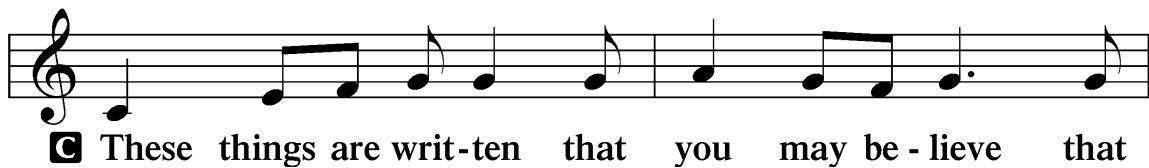
*Philippians 2:5–11*

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia and Verse (5:30 & 8:00)



## Holy Gospel

*Luke 1:26–38*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first chapter.

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

<sup>26</sup>In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, <sup>27</sup>to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. <sup>28</sup>And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" <sup>29</sup>But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. <sup>30</sup>And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid,



Mary, for you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup>And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. <sup>32</sup>He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, <sup>33</sup>and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.”

<sup>34</sup>And Mary said to the angel, “How will this be, since I am a virgin?”

<sup>35</sup>And the angel answered her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. <sup>36</sup>And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. <sup>37</sup>For nothing will be impossible with God.” <sup>38</sup>And Mary said, “Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Nicene Creed

C **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.**

## ***"Still"***

(10:30) **Sermon Song**

*I believe that You are God alone  
But sometimes I still try to take control  
Cause I get scared when I can't see the end  
And all You want from me is to let go*

*You're parting waters making a way for me  
You're moving mountains that I don't even see  
You've answered my prayer before I even speak  
All You need for me to be is still*

*I bring my praise before I bring my need  
Cause there's no fear You've not already seen  
I rest my heart on all Your promises  
Cause I have seen and know Your faithfulness*

*You're parting waters making a way for me  
You're moving mountains that I don't even see  
You've answered my prayer before I even speak  
All You need for me to be is still*

*And know that You are God Be still  
And know that You, trust that You are parting waters  
Lord, You whispered my name  
Oh, You answered my prayer  
You're moving mountains*

*You're parting waters making a way for me  
You're moving mountains that I don't even see  
You've answered my prayer before I even speak  
All You need for me to be is still*

***Be still***

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**Sermon**

**Ready to Serve  
Luke 1:26-38**

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**Prayer of the Church**

**Offering Presentation / Collection of Cards**

## 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.**

*(10:30 continues with Prayer of Thanksgiving)*

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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 (5:30 & 8:00)

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 LSB 208*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## 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.**

## The Words of Our Lord

### Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

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

*John 1:29 LSB 210*

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## Distribution

Hymn #631

Hymn #632

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

### *“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”*

*(10:30) Communion Song*

*Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
Was blind but now I see.*

*’Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And Grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that Grace appear,  
The hour I first believed.*

*My chains are gone, I’ve been set free,  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.  
And like a flood His mercy reigns,  
Unending love, Amazing Grace.*

*The Lord has promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be,  
As long as life endures.*

*My chains are gone, I’ve been set free,  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.  
And like a flood His mercy reigns,  
Unending love, Amazing Grace.*

*The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,  
The sun forbear to shine.  
But God who called me here below,  
Will be forever mine,  
Will be forever mine,  
You are forever mine.*

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" written by Chris Tomlin, John Newton, Louid Giglio 2006 worshiptogether.com songs Scripture Reference: Ephesians 2:8-9, Psalm 44:8 CCLI Song: 4768151 CCLI License: 51072

## Blessing

Nunc Dimittis (5:30 & 8:00)

Luke 2:29–32 LSB 211

**C** 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Benediction

P 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 T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

## Hymn #707

## Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

### *“My Lighthouse”*

*(10:30) Closing Song*

*In my wrestling and in my doubts  
In my failures You won't walk out  
Your great love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea  
You are the peace in my troubled sea*

*In the silence You won't let go  
In the questions Your truth will hold  
Your great love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea  
You are the peace in my troubled sea*

*My Lighthouse, My Lighthouse  
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You  
My Lighthouse, My Lighthouse  
I will trust the promise, You will carry me  
Safe to shore Safe to shore Safe to shore Safe to shore*

*I won't fear what tomorrow brings  
With each morning I'll rise and sing  
My God's love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea  
You are the peace in my troubled sea*

*My Lighthouse, My Lighthouse  
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You  
My Lighthouse, My Lighthouse  
I will trust the promise, You will carry me  
Safe to shore Safe to shore Safe to shore Safe to shore*

*(Continued)*

*Fire before us You're the brightest  
You will lead us through the storms  
Fire before us You're the brightest  
You will lead us through the storms*

*Fire before us You're the brightest  
You will lead us through the storms  
Fire before us You're the brightest  
You will lead us through the storms*

*My Lighthouse, My Lighthouse  
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You  
My Lighthouse, My Lighthouse  
I will trust the promise, You will carry me  
Safe to shore Safe to shore Safe to shore Safe to shore*

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## **Postlude**

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