# Welcome!

# St. John's Lutheran Church

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### **Office Hours**

8:00 - 11:30 12:30 - 4:00

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Christian **Education** Sun. 9:15 am

### **Services**

Sat. 5:30 pm Sun. 8:00 am Sun. 10:30 am

Proclaim the Christ.

> Grow the Family.

Love the Neighbor.

**Pastors** Mike Burdick Trey Dille

August 10, 2025

9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 14C)



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 doors, before or after worship.
- Little Children's Worship bags are available by the elevator door.
- 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.
- 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 <u>yellow</u> cards in the pews.

Those Who Serve Us				
Each Member of St. John's	The Body of Christ			
	Pastor			
	Pastor			
	Visitation Pastor			
	Preschool Director			
Mr. Jamie Lotz	Organist			
Mrs. Kiley Bohnhoff	Song Leader			
St. John's Band	10:30am Music			
Hayes Hinton, Alexa Westjohn, & Beckett Sar	nsAcolytes			
Mr. Todd Zeigler	5:30pm Elder on Duty			
	8:00am Elder on Duty			
Mr. Gayland Bourland	10:30am Elder on Duty			
Mr. David Wall (217-343-6482)	Elder on Duty for Aug 10 – Aug 16			
Chatelain School & Baja School	Our Schools for feeding in Haiti			
Ms. Janet Martins	(773-463-0617) Stephen Ministry Leader			
Mrs. Julie Scott	(217-343-3047) Prayer Partner Coordinator			
State, National & International Missions	through our District and Synod			

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.

#### "Brothers and Sisters In Christ"

Preservice #1

Sing Alleluia! Amen!
Let your prayers and your praises ascend.
Lift up your voices and sing
to our Lord God, our Savior and King!
Here brought together by grace.
We are gathered as friends in this place.

#### Chorus:

And assembled as one, in the name of the Son, Lifting hearts, lifting hands, Celebrating as friends, And proclaiming the Lord, All our praises afford.

We are brothers and sisters in Christ.

Man walked alone and in need,
Without faith, hope or promise or creed;
Wandering aimlessly lost
unaware of the staggering cost;
That God in His mercy would save
All His people from death and the grave. Chorus

Lord, teach us how to proclaim
All Your goodness, Your love and Your name!
Lord, teach us how to forgive,
and in love, teach us Lord, how to live.
Raising our voices in song,
Help us tell all the world we belong. Chorus

<sup>&</sup>quot;Brothers And Sisters In Christ" written by Terry K. Dittmer©1983 Terry K. DittmerScripture Reference: Gal. 3:28, Rom. 12:10CCLI License: 51072

"Song Of Love" Preservice #2

Jesus, king of my heart Father, my peace and my light Spirit, the joy of my soul You are

Jesus, to You none compare Father, I rest in your care Spirit, the hope of my heart You are

The Heavens declare You are God And the mountains rejoice The Oceans cry "Allelujah" As we worship You Lord For this is a song of love

Jesus, You save my soul I'll thank You forever more Jesus, the love of my life You are

The Heavens declare You are God And the mountains rejoice

The Oceans cry "Allelujah" As we worship You Lord For this is a song of love

Jesus, I am in awe Of the love that You have shown Jesus, how precious you are To me, To me

The Heavens declare You are God And the mountains rejoice The Oceans cry "Allelujah" As we worship You Lord

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"Song Of Love" written by Jeremy Ash, Matt Bronleewe, Rebecca St. James© 2002 Up In The Mix MusicScripture Reference: Psalms 42:8CCLI Song: 3607983CCLI License: 51072

# **Divine Service Setting Four**

#### **Prelude**

#### Welcome

### Hymn #725

# **Children of the Heavenly Father**

### "Holy Is The Lord"

We stand and lift up our hands For the joy of the Lord is our strength We bow down and worship Him now How great, how awesome is He

And together we sing, Everyone sing

Holy is the Lord God Almighty The earth is filled with His glory Holy is the Lord God Almighty The earth is filled with His glory The earth is filled with His glory

(10:30) **Opening Song** 

We stand and lift up our hands For the joy of the Lord is our strength We bow down and worship Him now How great, how awesome is He

And together we sing, Everyone sing

Holy is the Lord God Almighty The earth is filled with His glory Holy is the Lord God Almighty The earth is filled with His glory The earth is filled with His glory

It's rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown
It's rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown

And together we sing, everyone sing

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory

"Holy Is The Lord" written by Chris Tomlin, Louie Giglio 2003 sixsteps MusicScripture Reference: Isaiah 6:3CCLI Song: 4158039CCLI License: 51072

#### **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



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

Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 204



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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

# Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; 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**

Genesis 15:1-6

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." <sup>4</sup>And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **Psalm**

Psalm 33:12–22; antiphon: v. 20

- <sup>12</sup>Blessèd is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!
- <sup>13</sup>The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man;
- <sup>14</sup>from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth,
- <sup>15</sup>he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds.
- <sup>16</sup>The king is not saved by his great army;
  a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.
- <sup>17</sup>The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.
- <sup>18</sup>Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,
- <sup>19</sup>that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.
- <sup>20</sup>Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.
- <sup>21</sup>For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.
- <sup>22</sup>Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

Epistle Hebrews 11:1–16

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>For by it the people of old received their commendation. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

<sup>4</sup>By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. <sup>5</sup>By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. <sup>6</sup>And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. <sup>7</sup>By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

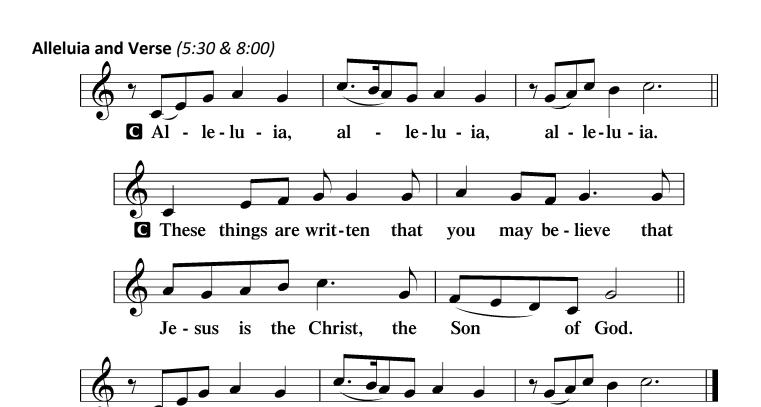
<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

<sup>13</sup>These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. <sup>14</sup>For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



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Holy Gospel Luke 12:22–34

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

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# C Glory to You, O Lord.

C Al - le - lu - ia,

<sup>22</sup>[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. <sup>23</sup>For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup>Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! <sup>25</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>26</sup>If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? <sup>27</sup>Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>28</sup>But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! <sup>29</sup>And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. <sup>30</sup>For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. <sup>31</sup>Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

<sup>32</sup>"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

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.

#### **Catechism Review**

As the head of the household should teach it.

### **The Eighth Commandment**

- C You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
- P What does this mean?
- We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

Hymn #715 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

"By Faith" (10:30) 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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Sermon			We Hope in the Lord
			Psalm 33:20-21
	"Our soul	for the LORD;	
	he is our	and our	
	For our	is glad in,	
	because	in his	."

### **Prayer of the Church**

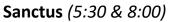
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#### Service of the Sacrament

#### **Preface**

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 208

- 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.
- 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:



Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 LSB 208



C 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.





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

Text: Stephen P. Starke

### **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:

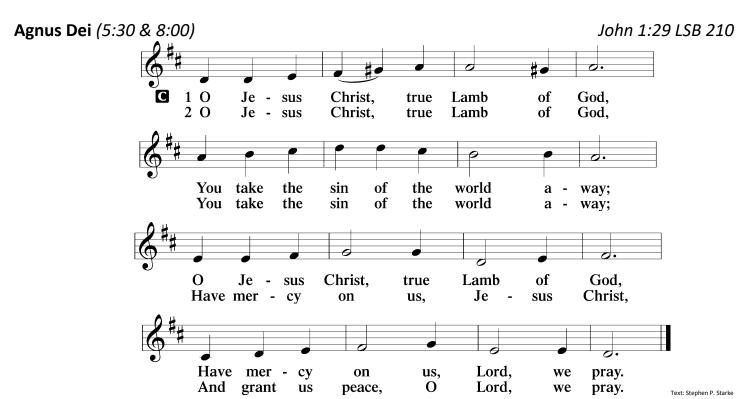
### Lord's Prayer

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.



#### Distribution

Hymn #633	At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing
Hymn #801	How Great Thou Art

### "The Lamb" 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**

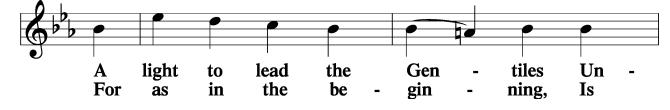






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#### **Post-Communion Collect**

# P 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.

### C Amen.

Benedicamus Psalm 103:1 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 † give you peace.

C Amen.

Hymn #912 Christ Is Our Cornerstone

### "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

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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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