Welcome!

St. John's Lutheran Church

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

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Christian Education Sun. 9:15 am

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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 24, 2025 11th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 16C)



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 2nd, 3rd, and 5th floors. Those on the 2nd and 5th 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
Rev. Mike Burdick	Pastor
Rev. Trey Dille	Pastor
Rev. Gary Fortkamp	Visitation Pastor
	Preschool Director
Mr. Jamie Lotz	Organist
Mr. Ben Burdick	Song Leader
St. John's Band	10:30am Music
Mackenzie & Madison Stuemke, Alexa Westjohn, & Cloie Bailey Acolytes	
Mr. Ray Hartman	5:30pm Elder on Duty
Mr. Dave Worman	8:00am Elder on Duty
Mr. David Wall	10:30am Elder on Duty
Mr. Dave Worman (217-821-7819)	Elder on Duty for Aug 24 – Aug 30
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.

"I Believe" Preservice #1

I believe there is one salvation
One doorway that leads to life
One redemption one confession
I believe in the name of Jesus Christ

I believe in the crucifixion By His blood I have been set free I believe in the resurrection Hallelujah His life is death's defeat

All praise to God the Father
All praise to Christ the Son
All praise to the Holy Spirit
Our God has overcome
The King who was and is and evermore will be
In Jesus' mighty name I believe

I believe in the hope of heaven He's preparing a place for me Far beyond what hearts imagine Ears have heard or eyes have seen

I believe that day is coming He's returning to claim His bride Light the altar keep it burning See the Lamb who rose a roaring Lion

(Continued)

All praise to God the Father
All praise to Christ the Son
All praise to the Holy Spirit
Our God has overcome
The King who was and is and evermore will be
In Jesus' mighty name I believe

No I'll never be ashamed
Of the gospel of Jesus Christ
How could I ever walk away
From the One who saved my life

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"Goodness Love And Mercy"

Preservice #2

Oh Lord You're my Shepherd
You make me lie in fields of green
You lead me by the still waters
You restore righteousness to me
Though I walk through the valley
I will fear no evil thing
For You are with me and You comfort me

Surely goodness love and mercy will follow wherever I go Surely goodness love and mercy will follow wherever I go Surely goodness love and mercy will follow wherever I go

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You lead me by the still waters
You restore righteousness to me
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I will fear no evil thing
For You are with me and You comfort me

Surely goodness love and mercy will follow wherever I go Surely goodness love and mercy will follow wherever I go Surely goodness love and mercy will follow wherever I go

I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever

Surely goodness love and mercy will follow wherever I go Surely goodness love and mercy will follow wherever I go Surely goodness love and mercy will follow wherever I go

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Divine Service Four

Prelude

Call to Worship

Welcome



Sacrament of Holy Baptism for

Ezra Alois Beccue Son of Bryce & Kelcie Beccue

Adelyn Ray Price
Daughter of Tanner Price & Jenna Mette
(10:30 Service)

Hymn #594

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

"Step by Step"

(10:30) Opening Song

O God, You are my God and I will ever praise You O God, You are my God and I will ever praise You I will seek You in the morning and I will learn to walk in Your ways Step by step You lead me and I will follow You all of my days.

"Step By Step" written by David (Beaker) Strasser© 1991 BMG Songs, Inc.Scripture Reference: Psalm 34, Psalm 63CCLI Song: 696994CCLI 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





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.

O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 66:18-23

¹⁸"For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹ and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰ And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. ²¹ And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD.

22"For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make
shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain.
23From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath,
all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD."

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

Psalm

Psalm 50:1–15; antiphon: v. 23

¹The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

²Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, **God shines forth.**

³Our God comes; he does not keep silence;

before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest.

⁴He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people:

5"Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

⁶The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge!

⁷"Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God.

⁸Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me.

⁹I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from your folds.

¹⁰For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

¹¹I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine.

¹²"If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine.

¹³Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats?

¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High,

¹⁵and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."

Epistle Hebrews 12:4–24

⁴In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

"My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him.

For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

⁷It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰For they disciplined us for a short time as it

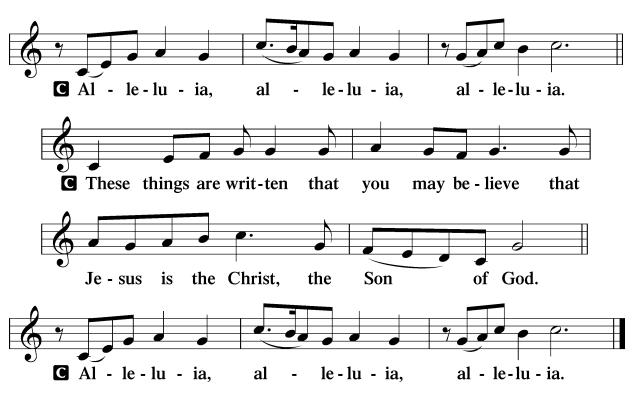
seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

¹²Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. ¹⁴Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. ¹⁵See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no "root of bitterness" springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; ¹⁶that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. ¹⁷For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

¹⁸For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. ²⁰For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

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

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



Holy Gospel Luke 13:22–30

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²²[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³And someone said to him, "Lord, will those who are saved be few?" And he said to them, ²⁴"Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' then he will answer you, 'I do not know where you come from.' ²⁶Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.' ²⁷But he will say, 'I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!' ²⁸In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. ²⁹And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. ³⁰And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

- 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.

Catechetical Review

- **The First Article**
- C I Believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
- P What does this mean?
- I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

Hymn #411

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

"Not To Us"

(10:30) **Sermon Song**

Not to us, oh Lord, not to us oh Lord But unto Your name be the glory From the dawn of time to its setting sun The name of the Lord shall be praised

One song will ring through the ages
One throne will ever remain
This world will pass and its glories fade
One name forever shall be praised

While the nations rage, trusting idols vain Our God stands alone in the heavens Robed in majesty, hail the highest King The name of the Lord shall be praised

One song will ring through the ages
One throne will ever remain
This world will pass and its glories fade
One name forever shall be praised
One name forever shall be praised

May Your face be set, may Your blessing rest
Upon us Your people belov-ed
Mark us by Your grace, that the world would say
"The name of the Lord shall be praised!"

One song will ring through the ages
One throne will ever remain
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Sermon

Building Endurance and Perfect Suffering *Hebrews 12:4-24*

Prayer of the Church

Offering Presentation / Collection of Cards

Service of the Sacrament

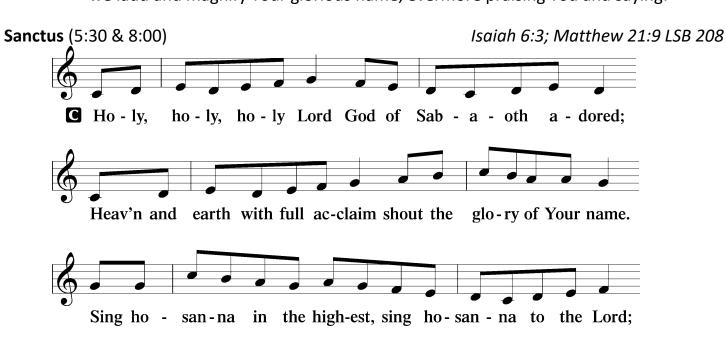
Preface

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.

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- 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:



in

the name of the Lord!

blest is He who comes

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:

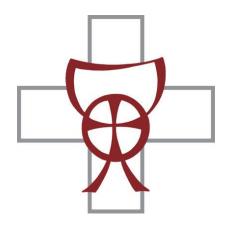
Lord's Prayer

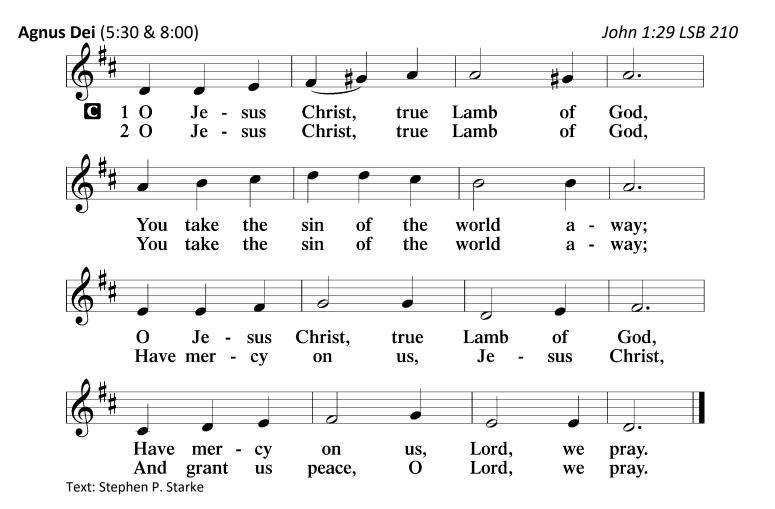
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the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





Hymn #680 Hymn #809 Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise Great Is Thy Faithfulness

"Beautiful Savior"

(10:30) Communion Song

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love thee, Truly I'd serve thee Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows,
Fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flowers of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine,
Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior,
Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration
Now and forevermore be thine!

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Post-Communion Collect

Ρ 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 #922

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

sts. 1–4

"Love The Lord" Closing Song

Love the Lord Your God
With all your heart with all your soul
With all your mind and with all your strength
Love the Lord Your God
With all your heart with all your soul
With all your mind and with all your strength

With all your heart with all your soul
With all your mind with all your strength
Love the Lord Your God
With all your heart with all your soul
With all your mind and with all your strength

I will serve the Lord with all my heart with all my soul With all my mind and with all my strength I will serve the Lord with all my heart with all my soul With all my mind and with all my strength

With all my heart with all my soul With all my mind with all my strength

I will serve the Lord with all my heart with all my soul With all my mind and with all my strength

I will love You (I will love You)
I will praise You (I will praise You)
I will serve You (I will serve You)
I will trust You (I will trust You)

With all my heart, with all my soul With all my mind, with all my strength With all my heart, with all my soul With all my mind, with all my strength

I will love you Lord with all my heart with all my soul With all my mind and with all my strength
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Postlude

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