Welcome!

St. John's Lutheran Church

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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

Nov 9, 2025 22nd Sunday Pentecost



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
Mrs. Carrie Collier	
Mrs. Dana Keller	
Miss Lilli Wernsing	Song Leader
St. John's Band	10:30am Music
Cohen Debolt, Paisley & Finley Bloemer, Lydia	WendlingAcolytes
Mr. Greg Perry	5:30pm Elder on Duty
Mr. Dave Worman	
Mr. Todd Zeigler	10:30am Elder on Duty
Mr. Gayland Bourland (217-343-4366)	Elder on Duty for Nov 9 - 15
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.

"Take You At Your Word"

Preservice #1

Your word is a lamp unto my feet
Your way is the only way for me
It's a narrow road that leads to life
But I want to be on it
It's a narrow road but the mercy's wide
'Cause You're good on Your promise

I'll take You at Your word
If You said it I'll believe it
I've seen how good it works
If You start it You'll complete it
I'll take You at Your word

You spoke and the chaos fell in line
I know 'cause I've seen it in my life
It's a narrow road that leads to life
But I want to be on it
It's a narrow road and the tide is high
But You parted the water

I'll take You at Your word
If You said it I'll believe it
I've seen how good it works
If You start it You'll complete it
I'll take You at Your word

If You said it I'll believe it
I've seen how good it works
If You start it You'll complete it
I'll take You at Your word
You're good on Your promise

You said Your love will never give up You said Your grace is always enough You said Your heart Would never forget or forsake me You said I'm saved You call me Yours You said my future's full of Your hope You've never failed So I know that You'll never fail me

I'll take You at Your word
If You said it I'll believe it
I've seen how good it works
If You start it You'll complete it
I'll take You at Your word

If You said it I'll believe it
I've seen how good it works
If You start it You'll complete it
I'll take You at Your word

You're good on Your promise
I'll take You at Your word

"Living Waters" Preservice #2

Are you thirsty Are you empty

Come and drink these living waters

Tired and broken
Peace unspoken

Rest beside these living waters

Christ is calling
Find refreshing
At the cross of living waters
Lay your life down
All the old gone
Rise up in these living waters

There's a river that flows
With mercy and love
Bringing joy to the city of our God
There our hope is secure
Do not fear anymore
Praise the Lord of living waters

Spirit moving
Mercy washing
Healing in these living waters
Lead your children
To the shoreline
Life is in these living waters

There's a river that flows
With mercy and love
Bringing joy to the city of our God
There our hope is secure
Do not fear anymore

Praise the Lord of living waters

Are you thirsty
Are you empty
Come and drink these living waters
Love forgiveness
Vast and boundless
Christ He is our living waters

There's a river that flows
With mercy and love
Bringing joy to the city of our God
There our hope is secure
Do not fear anymore
Praise the Lord of living waters

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DIVINE SERVICE THREE



Prelude

Call to Worship

Welcome

Hymn #903

"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

(10:30) **Opening Song**

Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God
Come

One day every tongue will confess You are God One day every knee will bow Still the greatest treasure remains for those Who gladly know You now

Come, now is the time to worship Come, now is the time to give your heart Come, just as you are to worship Come, just as you are before your God Come

One day every tongue will confess You are God One day every knee will bow Still the greatest treasure remains for those Who gladly know You now

Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
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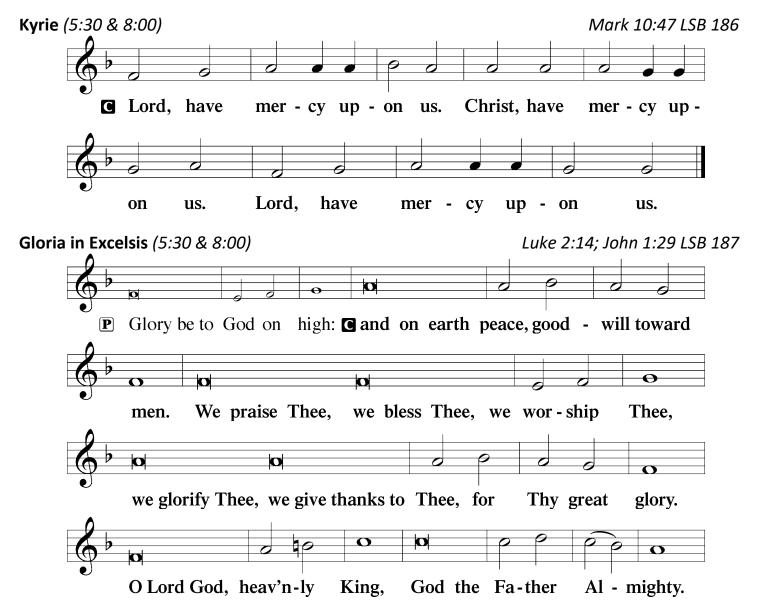
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Confession and Absolution

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.





Collect of the Day

- P Let us pray. Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Children's Sermon

Psalm Psalm 148

¹Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

²Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

³Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!

⁴Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

⁵Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created.

⁶And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

⁷Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,

8fire and hail, | snow and mist,
stormy wind fulfilling his word!

⁹Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

¹⁰Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!

¹¹Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

¹²Young men and maidens together, **old men and children!**

¹³Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven.

¹⁴He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the LORD!

¹Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. ³Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? ⁶And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. ⁷For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. ⁸And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. . . .

¹³But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. ¹⁴To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

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



Holy Gospel Luke 20:27–40

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.
- C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁷There came to [Jesus] some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, ²⁸and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. ³⁰And the second ³¹and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. ³²Afterward the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife."

³⁴And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵but

those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, ³⁶for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. ³⁷But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him." ³⁹Then some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you have spoken well." ⁴⁰For they no longer dared to ask him any question.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise be to Thee, 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.

Hymn #713

From God Can Nothing Move Me (vv. 1-4)

"His Mercy Is More"

(10:30) **Sermon Song**

What love could remember no wrongs we have done Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy is more What patience would wait as we constantly roam What Father so tender is calling us home He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us His blood was the payment His life was the cost We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford Our sins they are many His mercy is more

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Sermon "God of the Living"

Sermon Text Exodus 3:1–15

¹Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned."

⁴When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸ and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹ And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen

the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."

¹¹But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹²He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

¹³Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations."

Hymn #713

From God Can Nothing Move Me (vv. 5-7)

Catechism Review The Fifth Petition

What is the 5th Petition of the Lord's Prayer?

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

Prayer of the Church

Offering Presentation & Collection of Cards

Service of the Sacrament



Preface 2 Timothy 4:22

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C It is meet and right so to do.
- P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

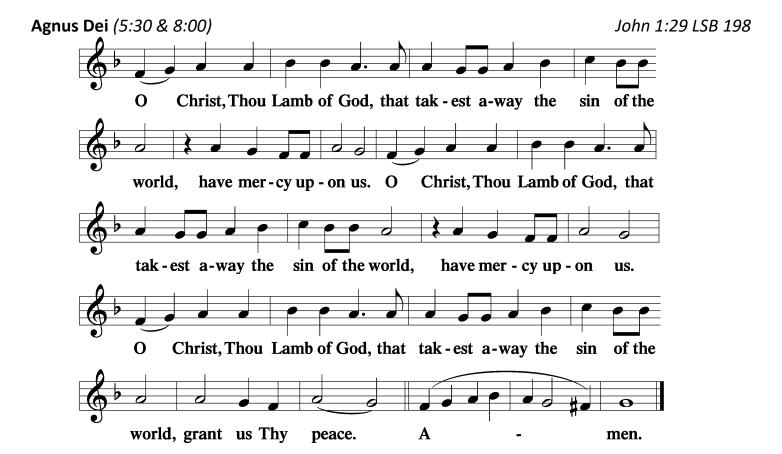


Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9–13

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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 John 20:19

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Distribution

Hymn #802	Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Hymn #619	Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

"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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Blessing



P 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.

Benediction Numbers 6:24–26

Hymn #918

Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

"Jesus Loves Me"

(10:30) Closing Song

Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so; Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! Still today
Walking with me on my way
Wanting as a friend to give
Light and love to all who live

Jesus loves me! He will stay Close beside me all the way Thou has bled and died for me I will henceforth live for thee

Jesus loves me! He who died Heaven's gate to open wide; He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in.

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Postlude

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