

**Welcome!**

**St. John's  
Lutheran  
Church**

(LCMS)

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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

**May 10, 2026**  
Sixth Sunday  
of Easter

# Welcome

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

- 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 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. Holly Adams.....	Song Leader
Mr. Dennis Lading.....	Choir Director
Cohen Debolt, Gage Wernsing, Jenna Bohnhoff .....	Acolytes
Mr. Ray Hartman .....	5:30pm Elder on Duty
Mr. Fred Bray.....	8:00am Elder on Duty
Mr. Todd Zeigler .....	10:30am Elder on Duty
Mr. Ray Hartman (217-240-8178).....	Elder on Duty for May 10-16
Chatelain School & Baja School .....	Our Schools for feeding in Haiti
Ms. Janet Martins & Pastor Dille.....	(773-463-0617) Stephen Ministry Leaders
Mrs. Julie Scott .....	(217-343-3047) Prayer Partner Coordinator
State, National & International Missions .....	through our District and Synod

**Flowers on the Altar** are given in celebration of John & Marla Jackson's 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

***Happy Mother's Day!***



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. Those needing a gluten-free host should notify the pastor before the Service, or can request it as you approach him at the Table. The Chalice is offered on the Lectern side. Thank you.

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

***"Open Up The Heavens"***

***Preservice #1***

*We've waited for this day  
We're gathered in Your Name  
Calling out to You  
Your glory like a fire awakening desire  
Will burn our hearts with truth  
  
You're the reason we're here  
You're the reason we're singing  
  
Open up the heavens we want to see You  
Open up the floodgates a mighty river  
Flowing from Your heart  
Filling every part of our praise  
  
Your presence in this place Your glory on our  
face  
We're looking to the sky  
Descending like a cloud You're standing with  
us now  
Lord unveil our eyes*

*Flowing from Your heart  
Filling every part of our praise  
  
Open up the heavens we want to see You  
Open up the floodgates a mighty river  
Flowing from Your heart  
Filling every part of our praise  
  
Show us show us Your glory  
Show us show us Your power  
Show us show us Your glory Lord  
  
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Show us show us Your power  
Show us show us Your glory Lord  
  
Open up the heavens we want to see You  
Open up the floodgates a mighty river  
Flowing from Your heart  
Filling every part of our praise*

*You're the reason we're here  
You're the reason we're singing  
  
Open up the heavens we want to see You  
Open up the floodgates a mighty river*

*Open up the heavens we want to see You  
Open up the floodgates a mighty river  
Flowing from Your heart  
Filling every part of our praise*

**DIVINE SERVICE ONE**



**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

**Welcome**

**Hymn #895**

**Now Thank We All Our God**

*“Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus”*

*(10:30) Opening Song*

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,  
Just to take Him at His Word;  
Just to rest upon His promise,  
And to know, Thus saith the Lord!

Oh, how sweet to trust in Jesus,  
Just to trust His cleansing blood;  
And in simple faith to plunge me  
Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Refrain:  
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er;  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
Oh, for grace to trust Him more!

I'm so glad I learned to trust Him,  
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;  
And I know that He is with me,  
Will be with me to the end.

“Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus” written by Louisa M. R. Stead; Mark Hall; William James Kirkpatrick My Refuge Music, Club Zoo Music, SWECS MusicScripture Reference: Proverbs 3:5-12, Romans 8:26-30CCLI Song Number: 5749760CCLI 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** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

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

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

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

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal**

punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

**This Is the Feast**

*Revelation 5:12–13; 19:5–9 LSB 155*

*Refrain*

**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb \_\_\_\_\_ who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray. O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## First Reading

*Acts 17:16–31*

<sup>16</sup>While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup>So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. <sup>18</sup>Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbler wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. <sup>19</sup>And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? <sup>20</sup>For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” <sup>21</sup>Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

<sup>22</sup>So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. <sup>26</sup>And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, <sup>27</sup>that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, <sup>28</sup>for

“‘In him we live and move and have our being’;  
as even some of your own poets have said,

“‘For we are indeed his offspring.’”

<sup>29</sup>Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. <sup>30</sup>The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Choir**

**“Glory Hallelujah”**

**Epistle**

*1 Peter 3:13–22*

<sup>13</sup>Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil.

<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. <sup>21</sup>Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

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

*John 6:68 LSB 156*

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Holy Gospel**

*John 14:15–21*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

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

<sup>15</sup>[Jesus said:] “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup>even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup>Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

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.

### Hymn #821

### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

#### *"Jesus Strong And Kind"*

*(10:30) Sermon Song*

*Jesus said that if I thirst  
I should come to Him  
No one else can satisfy  
I should come to Him*

*For the Lord is good and faithful  
He will keep us day and night  
We can always run to Jesus  
Jesus strong and kind*

*Jesus said if I am weak  
I should come to Him  
No one else can be my strength  
I should come to Him*

*Jesus said that if I'm lost  
He will come to me  
And He showed me on that cross  
He will come to me*

*For the Lord is good and faithful  
He will keep us day and night  
We can always run to Jesus  
Jesus strong and kind*

*For the Lord is good and faithful  
He will keep us day and night  
We can always run to Jesus  
Jesus strong and kind*

*Jesus said that if I fear  
I should come to Him  
No one else can be my shield  
I should come to Him*

*For the Lord is good and faithful  
He will keep us day and night  
We can always run to Jesus  
Jesus strong and kind  
Jesus strong and kind*

"Jesus Strong And Kind" written by Colin Buchanan, Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, Rich Thompson 2019 CityAlight  
MusicScripture Reference: Gal. 5:22; John 6:37; Matt. 11:28-30CCU Song: 7139992CCU License: 51072

Prayer of the Church

Card Collection & Preparation for Communion

Offertory (as offering is brought forward)(5:30 & 8:00)

Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19 LSB 159



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord’s house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.



Preface

2 Timothy 4:22

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

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

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

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

## Pax Domini

*John 20:19 LSB 163*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

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

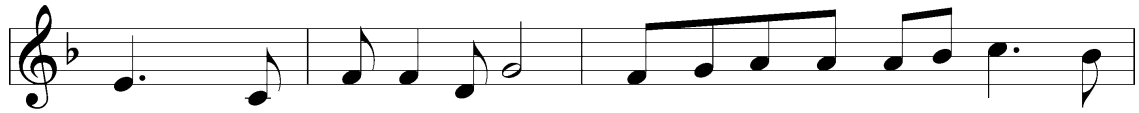
*John 1:29 LSB 163*



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

**Hymn #556**

**Hymn #725**

**Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice**

**Children of the Heavenly Father**

***“O Come To The Altar”***

*(10:30) Communion Song*

*Are you hurting and broken within  
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin  
Jesus is calling*

*Have you come to the end of yourself  
Do you thirst for a drink from the well  
Jesus is calling*

*O come to the altar  
The Father's arms are open wide  
Forgiveness was bought with  
The precious blood of Jesus Christ*

*Leave behind your regrets and mistakes  
Come today there's no reason to wait  
Jesus is calling  
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy  
From the ashes a new life is born  
Jesus is calling*

*O come to the altar  
The Father's arms are open wide  
Forgiveness was bought with  
The precious blood of Jesus Christ*

*O come to the altar  
The Father's arms are open wide  
Forgiveness was bought with  
The precious blood of Jesus Christ*

*Oh what a Savior  
Isn't He wonderful  
Sing alleluia Christ is risen  
Bow down before Him  
For He is Lord of all  
Sing alleluia Christ is risen*

*Oh what a Savior  
Isn't He wonderful  
Sing alleluia Christ is risen  
Bow down before Him  
For He is Lord of all  
Sing alleluia Christ is risen*

*O come to the altar  
The Father's arms are open wide  
Forgiveness was bought with  
The precious blood of Jesus Christ (continued)*

*O come to the altar  
The Father's arms are open wide  
Forgiveness was bought with  
The precious blood of Jesus Christ*

*Bear your cross as you wait for the crown  
Tell the world of the treasure you've found*

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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.

### **Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24–26*

*(in the 8:00am Service, the Sunday School brings two songs)*

### **Hymn #923**

### **Almighty Father, Bless the Word**

#### ***"Blessed Be Your Name"***

*(10:30) Closing Song*

*Blessed be your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be your name  
Blessed be your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be your name  
Every blessing you pour out,  
I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord  
Still I will say...  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your glorious name  
Blessed be your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be your name  
Blessed be your name  
On the road marked with suffering*

*Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be your name  
Every blessing you pour out,  
I turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord  
Still I will say...  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your glorious name  
You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord, Blessed be your name  
You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord, Blessed be your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your glorious name*