

## St. John Ev. Lutheran Church

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November 13, 2022

22nd Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church. If you are a guest or visitor with us today, we welcome you and invite you to come and worship with us again. Please take the time to introduce yourself to Pastor Hayes, and we hope to see you again soon.

Remember that the Worship Service begins when you enter. As the Music for Meditation begins, you are invited to join in quiet, preparation time for worship. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

### Liturgy – Divine Service Setting Three (Page 184)

Opening Hymn: 614 "As Surely as I Live, God Said"

Hymn of the Day: 572 "In the Shattered Bliss of Eden"

Distribution Hymn: 611 "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

Distribution Hymn: 845 "Where Charity and Love Prevail"

Distribution Hymn: 702 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Distribution Hymn: 710 "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

Closing Hymn: 606 "I Lay My Sins on Jesus"

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please e-mail prayer requests to Pastor Hayes at [pastor.hayes@outlook.com](mailto:pastor.hayes@outlook.com). Prayer requests will remain for 2 weeks unless you specify a length of time.  
Angie Reinert, Lula Stuenkel, Marilyn Ohlde, Loraine Oldehoeft, Lorna Heitman, & Bill Burger (in the nursing home); Edith Lange (recovery)

Acolyte this Sunday - Gretchen Bott

Acolyte next Sunday - Greyson Ohlde

Ushers today - \*Brady Kolle, Eli Thalmann, Elijah Meier, & Daniel Nabors

Ushers next Sunday - \*Aaron Stuenkel, John Bott, Tyler Ohlde, & Ethan Bott

LYF Fellowship Hour today & Nov. 20th - Elijah & Daniel

LYF Fellowship Hour Nov. 27th & Dec. 4th - Dylan & Zac

### Upcoming Events

- November 13** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class and Children's Sunday School
- November 14** 7:00 p.m. LWML Meeting
- November 16** 5:30 p.m. Midweek/Confirmation  
6:30 p.m. Mixed Choir Rehearsal  
7:15 p.m. Men's Choir Rehearsal
- November 19** 5:30 p.m. Linn Lutheran Endowment Fund Benefit Auction
- November 20** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class and Children's Sunday School
- November 23** 5:30 p.m. Midweek/Confirmation  
6:30 p.m. NO Mixed Choir Rehearsal  
7:15 p.m. Men's Choir Rehearsal

### Announcements

- \* There will be a congregational gathering of food items for the Washington County Food Bank until **TODAY**. Boxes for donations will be in the narthex. Suggested items are: cereal, cake mixes, boxed mac 'n' cheese, canned fruit and vegetables, canned tuna and chicken, along with other staples.
- \* Linn Lutheran Endowment Fund Benefit Auction is scheduled for **Saturday, November 19th**, at the Palmer Community Building. Dinner is served from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Meal costs are: Adults: \$10; Children 6-12: \$5; 5 & under: free. The silent auction is from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., and the live auction begins at 7 p.m.
- \* Linn Lutheran 5th/6th grade class invites you to Chapel on **Wednesday, Nov. 16th**, at Zion Lutheran Church @ 8:25 a.m. They will lead Chapel that day. As always, everyone is invited to join Linn Lutheran at Chapel every Wednesday morning at 8:25 a.m. Every week a different Pastor leads, or in the event of a Special Chapel, a class will lead.
- \* **Calling all parents (past, present, and future)** - Pastor would like to gauge interest for a Bible class on parenting. The class would run on the six Wednesdays leading up to Ash Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. (1/11-2/25). Please pre-signup by text or email to Pastor that you will attend. Open to all. Topics will include: What does Biblical wisdom teach us about parenting? How can we instill in our children a love for God and his ways? What about discipline and nurture? [Note: This will NOT be a space to judge one another but a safe space to build one another up in Christ and share our mutual burdens: "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2).]
- \* **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org**: Study the 2nd Article of the Creed on Concord Matters (11/19 at 11:00 a.m.), study Exodus 5-9 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and hear conversations from around the Synod on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or the KFUO Radio app!

# THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths 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. Our Lord invites to His Table those who trust His words, repent all sins, 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, according to Holy Scripture, 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, are asked to refrain from communing with us until such a time as they are properly instructed.

A short, more detailed explanation of our Confessional practice is available from our Ushers or Elders. If you would like to learn more about the Sacrament of the Altar and our confessional position, I would be happy to visit with you.

-Rev. Joshua Hayes, Pastor, St. John Ev. Lutheran Church

In preparation for Holy Communion, you may use the following statements as part of your self-examination:

- I admit that I am a sinner. **(1 John 1:8-10)**
- I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, from Satan and death. **(Acts 4:10-12; John 14:6)**
- I desire to live as God wants me to. **(John 14:15; 1 John 2:6)**
- I am sure of my eternal salvation because Jesus died for me and rose again. **(John 3:16; Romans 8:14; & 1 John 5:11-12)**
- I believe the Risen Christ is really present in Holy Communion and that with the bread and wine I receive His Body and Blood. **(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 4:22-24; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; Luke 22:17-20)**
- I forgive those who have wronged me.

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## MORNING PRAYER

*I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.*

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### **Introit** (*Psalm 130:1-2, 7-8; antiphon: vv. 3-4*)

If you, O Lord, should mark in- | iquities,\*  
O Lord, | who could stand?  
But with you there is for- | givenness,\*  
that you | may be feared.

### **Out | of the depths\***

**I cry to you, | O Lord!**  
**O Lord, | hear my voice!\***  
**Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!**  
**O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is | steadfast love,\***  
**and with him is plentiful re- | demption.**  
**And he will redeem | Israel\***  
**from all his in- | iquities.**  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

If you, O Lord, should mark in- | iquities,\*  
O Lord, | who could stand?  
But with you there is for- | givenness,\*  
that you | may be feared.

### **Collect for the Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity**

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Old Testament Reading: *Micah 6:6-8*

<sup>6</sup> “With what shall I come before the Lord,  
and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,  
with calves a year old?  
<sup>7</sup> Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”  
<sup>8</sup> He has told you, O man, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

## Epistle Reading: *Philippians 1:3-11*

<sup>3</sup> I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup> always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, <sup>5</sup> because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup> And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup> For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup> And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, <sup>10</sup> so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, <sup>11</sup> filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

## Gospel Reading: *Matthew 18:21-35*

<sup>21</sup> Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.  
<sup>23</sup> “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup> When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. <sup>25</sup> And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup> So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ <sup>27</sup> And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup> But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ <sup>29</sup> So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ <sup>30</sup> He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup> When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they

were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup> Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup> And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ <sup>34</sup> And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. <sup>35</sup> So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

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## *As We Gather...*

### *Walking humbly with our God and forgiving one another*

With what shall we come before the Lord (**Micah 6:6**) who forgives all our sins, and how often shall our fellow Christians sin against us and we forgive them (**Matthew 18:21**)? Our gracious God on high does not need our “burnt offerings” or “thousands of rams” (**Micah 6:6-7**), which we could legitimately offer in thanksgiving. He is the Savior who gave His only-begotten Son for our transgression. He offers the fruit of His body, once hanging dead on a cross but now living and giving life in His holy Meal, for the sin of our souls (**Micah 6:7**). Because He releases us from our enormous debt of sin against Him, we need not imprison our fellow sinners with our lack of love and refusal of forgiveness (**Matthew 18:24, 27, 30**). As partakers of His grace, we yearn for one another “with the affection of Christ Jesus” (**Philippians 1:8**). As forgiven sinners, “filled with the fruit of Christ’s righteousness,” our “love may abound more and more, with knowledge and discernment” (**Philippians 1:11, 9**), for He leads us “to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with [our] God” (**Micah 6:8**).

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## *Want Your Kids to Stay Christian?*

Families who pray and worship together tend to continue praying and worshipping together. The key to successful transmission of Christian faith across generations is not more youth groups or hipper pastors but the Holy Spirit working through the vocation of parenthood as parents take the time to share their faith with their own children...Christian parents do not catechize their children because social science says that catechesis works. We catechize our children because we are commanded to do so by God in Proverbs 22; Ephesians 6; Deuteronomy 4, 6, and 11; 1 Timothy 4; and by the very words of Christ in Matthew 19. When we fail to catechize our children, we sin against them, and the warning of Christ in Matthew 18—that “it would be better for [us] to have a large millstone hung around [our] neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea” (v. 6)—must weigh heavily upon us. But nonetheless, we can be encouraged by worldly evidence that backs up this calling and tells us that, yes, what we do at home has an enormous impact on our kids’ future faith. Controlling for parental religious beliefs, the odds that a child will leave the Christian faith are between one third and seven times greater in a household with little or no in-home catechesis than in a household where the family has regular religious practice together.

## CATECHETICAL REVIEW

### THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

*as the Head of the Family Should Teach Them in a Simple Way to His Household.*

#### **The First Commandment**

You shall have no other gods.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

#### **The Second Commandment**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

#### **The Third Commandment**

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

#### **The Fourth Commandment**

Honor your father and your mother.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

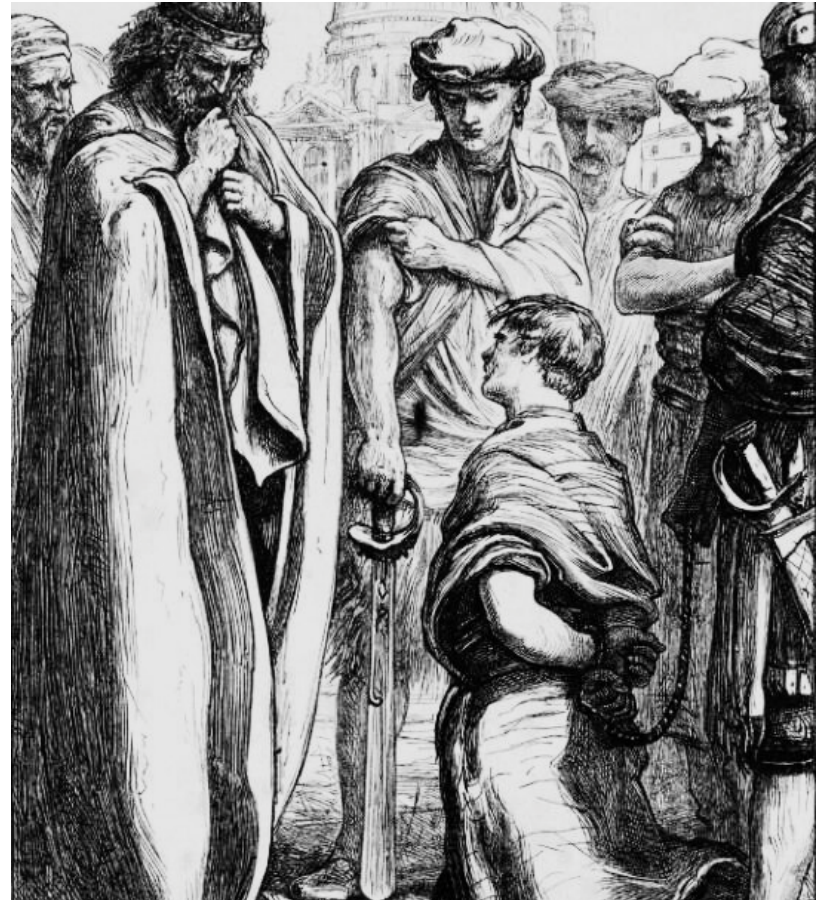
#### **The Fifth Commandment**

You shall not murder.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

## *The Sunday of the Unforgiving Servant*



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