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**July 4, 2021**

**Fifth 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:** 660 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

**Hymn of the Day:** 688 "Come, Follow Me,' the Savior Spake"

**Distribution Hymn:** 682 "God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophets' Sons"

**Distribution Hymn:** 750 "If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee"

**Distribution Hymn:** 708 "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart"

**Distribution Hymn:** 756 "Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me"

**Closing Hymn:** 965 "God Bless Our Native Land"

### 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, LaVon Hornbostel, Lula Stuenkel, Marilyn Ohlde,**

**Lorraine Oldhoeft, & Lorna Heitman (in the nursing home)**

**Darwin Knox (hip surgery)**

**Acolyte this Sunday** - Aiden Sweet

**Acolyte next Sunday** - Noah Thalmann

**Ushers this Sunday** - \*Cody Ohlde, Elijah Meier, John Bott, & Brady Kolle

**Ushers next Sunday** - \*Nathan Ohlde, John Bott, Evan Bott, Andrew Tiemeyer

**LYF Mowing July 10th** - Elijah Meier & Mason Tiemeyer

**LYF Mowing July 17th** - Claire & Camryn Beikmann

### Upcoming Events

**July 4** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

**July 7** 8:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting

**July 11** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
10:45 a.m. Summer Bible Study

**July 12** 7:00 p.m. LWML Meeting

**July 18** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
10:45 a.m. Voters' Assembly Meeting  
12:00 p.m. New Member Potluck

**July 25** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
10:45 a.m. Summer Bible Study

### Announcements

\* We've had a great week of VBS at God's Wonder Lab! Thank you to everyone who made it possible: participants, helpers, leaders, and donors. The children are ready to share the good news: Jesus does the impossible! We invite you to check out our lab in the Parish Hall. You can see a sample of the crafts for the kids, as well.

\* "Christian Culture" will be sent to you FREE! Sign up at [lutherclassical.org](http://lutherclassical.org). "Christian Culture" is the magazine of Luther Classical College. Published every quarter, "Christian Culture" aims to do exactly what its title suggests – promote genuine Christian culture in our churches, homes, and communities. We need Christian culture to fill our homes with strong fathers, faithful mothers, the reading of God's Word and good literature, the singing of hymns, and commitment to Lutheran church and school, so that we and our children can remain in the world but not be of the world.

\* Linn Lutheran is looking for a janitor for the '21-22 school year. The work averages 10 hours a week. For more information, contact David Beikmann @ 402-200-9720.

\* St. John has \$9,708.72 left to match for the Endowment Matching Program. Matching goes until **July 15, 2021**, and what funds haven't been matched will go in the "4th Teacher Fund." Thank you for using the matching program!

\* CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Hear a missionary story from the Cayman Islands on The Coffee Hour **Tuesday, July 6th, at 9 a.m.**, study Jeremiah 29-31 on Sharper Iron's "A Time to Destroy and a Time to Build" (**weekdays at 8 a.m.**), and finish 2 Kings on Thy Strong Word (**weekdays at 11 a.m.**). Find these programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org)!

# 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, 22:23ff; Luke 22:17-20**)
- I forgive those who have wronged me.

## 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 my 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.

Please email any announcements for the bulletin to Theresa at  
**theresa\_meier@yahoo.com** by noon on Friday.



## Introit (*Psalm 27:1a, 11-12, 14; antiphon: vv. 7, 9b*)

Hear, O Lord, when I | cry aloud;  
be gracious to me and | answer me!  
O you who have | been my help,  
forsake me not, O God of my sal- | vation!

**The Lord is my light and my sal- | vation;  
whom | shall I fear?**

**Teach me your way, | O Lord,  
and lead me on a level path because of my | enemies.**

**Give me not up to the will of my adver- | saries;  
for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe  
out | violence.**

**Wait | for the Lord;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait | for the Lord!  
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.**

Hear, O Lord, when I | cry aloud;  
be gracious to me and | answer me!  
O you who have | been my help,  
forsake me not, O God of my sal- | vation!

## Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity

O God, You have prepared for those who love You good things that surpass all understanding. Pour into our hearts such love toward You that we, loving You above all things, may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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: *1 Kings 19:11-21*

<sup>11</sup> [The Lord] said, “Go out and stand on the mount before the Lord.” And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. <sup>12</sup> And after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. <sup>13</sup> And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>14</sup> He said, “I have been very jealous for the Lord, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” <sup>15</sup> And the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. <sup>16</sup> And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup> And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. <sup>18</sup> Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

<sup>19</sup> So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. <sup>20</sup> And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” And he said to him, “Go back again, for what have I done to you?” <sup>21</sup> And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

## Epistle Reading: *1 Peter 3:8-15*

<sup>8</sup> Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. <sup>9</sup> Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing.

<sup>10</sup> For

“Whoever desires to love life  
and see good days,  
let him keep his tongue from evil  
and his lips from speaking deceit;  
<sup>11</sup> let him turn away from evil and do good;  
let him seek peace and pursue it.  
<sup>12</sup> For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,  
and his ears are open to their prayer.  
But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

<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.

## Gospel Reading: *Luke 5:1-11*

<sup>1</sup> On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, <sup>2</sup> and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. <sup>4</sup> And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” <sup>5</sup> And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” <sup>6</sup> And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. <sup>7</sup> They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup> But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” <sup>9</sup> For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, <sup>10</sup> and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” <sup>11</sup> And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

### *As We Gather...*

### *Jesus Makes Fishers of Men*

The Lord called fishermen to be fishers of men (*Luke 5:1-11*). The net they would use is the message of the cross, which is foolishness and a stumbling block to the world (*1 Corinthians 1:18-25*). The power of God to save is not in spectacular signs like wind and fire and earthquakes (*1 Kings 19:11-21*), nor is it to be found in human intelligence and wisdom. The power of God to save comes in the still, small voice of the preaching of Christ crucified. In worldly darkness the disciples could catch nothing. But in the light of Christ, whose Word was attached to the water, the boats were filled with fish. So it is that in Baptism you have been drawn in to the ship of the Church. Though the nets are breaking and some who hear the Word do not believe, pastors continue to cast the net of the Gospel and the Sacraments, that Christians may abide in the boat of the Church and that we may be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks a reason for the hope that is in us (*1 Peter 3:8-15*).

### *From “A Summary of the Christian Faith” by David Chytraeus (1568)*

What is the kingdom of Christ on earth?

I provided the definition earlier in the common-place, “On God.” On the basis of it, it is clear that the title “kingdom of Christ” unites Christ’s offices of Priest and King with the Church. Moreover in Holy Writ it very often means that the Church or assembly of people who believe in Christ is subject and obedient to Christ, the King, as when we say that, in this life, the kingdom of Christ has been oppressed by the cross and tribulation. In some places it means the duties of Christ, the King, and all the blessings which He bestows upon the Church, as when we say that the kingdom of Christ is spiritual; that is, that the blessings which Christ bestows upon His Church through the Gospel are not money, wealth, power, physical peace, but spiritual and eternal blessings: forgiveness of sin, freedom from sin and death, light, wisdom, righteousness, eternal life and glory. In other passages it means the manner of gathering and governing of the Church through the Word and Holy Spirit rather than with physical weapons. It also means the King Himself, and God. Elsewhere it means all of these together.

## CATECHETICAL REVIEW

An Explanation of the Small Catechism  
**The Apostles' Creed - The Third Article**

### V. The Life Everlasting

#### 190. To whom does God give eternal life?

God gives eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

A. Eternal life is a present possession.

- 667 **John 17:3** - This is eternal life: that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom You have sent.  
668 **John 3:16** - God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.  
669 **Romans 10:9** - If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.  
670 **John 3:36** - Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on him.

B. At the time of death, the soul of a believer is immediately with Christ in heaven.

- 671 **Ecclesiastes 12:7** - The dust returns to the ground it came from, and the spirit returns to God who gave it.  
672 **Luke 23:43** - I tell you the truth, today you will be with Me in paradise.  
673 **John 17:24** - Father, I want those You have given Me to be with Me where I am, and to see My glory, the glory You have given Me because You loved Me before the creation of the world.  
674 **Philippians 1:23-24** - I desire to depart and to be with Christ, which is better by far; but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body.  
675 **Revelation 14:13** - I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them."

C. At the Last Day the believers, in both body and soul, will begin the full enjoyment of being with Christ forever.

- 676 **1 Corinthians 15:51-52** - Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed - in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.  
677 **Matthew 25:34** - Then the King [Jesus] will say to those on His right, "Come, you who are blessed by My Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world."  
678 **Psalm 16:11** - You will fill me with joy in Your presence, with eternal pleasures at Your right hand.  
679 **Romans 8:18** - I consider that our present suffering are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.  
680 **1 John 3:2** - Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when He appears, we all be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

## *The Sunday of the Miraculous Catch of Fish*



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