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May 15, 2022

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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: 556 “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” (vs 1-4)

Hymn of the Day: 556 “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” (vs 5-10)

(v6 - men; v7 - women)

Distribution Hymn: 755 “In the Very Midst of Life”

Distribution Hymn: 629 “What Is This Bread”

Distribution Hymn: 696 “O God, My Faithful God”

Closing Hymn: 643 “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please e-mail prayer requests to Pastor Hayes at 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 Oldehoeft, & Lorna Heitman (in the nursing home)

Acolyte this Sunday - Emmitt Tiemeyer & Greyson Ohlde

Acolyte next Sunday - Kingston Voelker & Gretchen Bott

Ushers this Sunday - *Cody Ohlde, John Bott, Ryan Stuenkel, Tyler Ohlde

Ushers next Sunday - *John Bott, Elijah Meier, Ryan Stuenkel, Lance Gerleve

LYF Fellowship Hour today & May 22nd- Ella Thalmann & Ryan Stuenkel

LYF Mowing May 21st - Ethan & Sophia Bott

LYF Mowing May 28th - Conner Ohlde & Dylan Ohlde

Upcoming Events

- May 15** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Children’s Sunday School
- May 18** 6:30 p.m. LLS 8th Grade Graduation & Reception at Zion
- May 22** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Children’s Sunday School
- May 29** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

Announcements

- * Please join us for our Linn Lutheran School 8th Grade Graduation & Reception - 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18th, at Zion. Our 6 graduates are: Brigham Hansen, Zac Hiltgen, Dylan Ohlde, Elizabeth Olson, Noah Thalmann, & Sofia Uffman. A cake reception in the Zion basement will follow graduation.
- * On the Sunday School bulletin board in the hallway, there is a sign-up sheet to donate items needed for snack time at VBS. Registration forms are still in the back of the church on the table if you forgot to turn yours in. Rainforest Explorers VBS will be June 20-24, from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
- * Camp Jefferson signup is live online for the 2022 year! Cost is \$85 (\$10 off if signed up by TODAY, May 15th). Camp dates are June 3-5. Campers must have been in 5th-8th Grade during the 2021-22 school year. High School Counselor signup is online as well at <https://www.facebook.com/Circuit7Camp>. People can also contact Kate Olson or Jessie Uffman for more information.
- * Pastor Koch leads an organization called Jesus Door-2-Door (JD2D), that trains people (predominantly youth) to share their faith, and then takes them door-to-door to put their training into practice. On May 23—30, 2022 Pastor will be leading a team of 12 youth on an 8-day “travel team” through Nebraska, Missouri, and Iowa. We will go door-to-door for seven different congregations during these 8 days and spend one whole day in a workshop with The Lutheran Hour Speaker in St. Louis. As of now, there are only 9 youth from South Dakota signed up. Pastor Koch is looking for 3 more. Cost is \$150 for the entire week and is open to all youth who are entering 7th grade thru Sr. in High School. For St. John youth, our church will cover the cost of \$150. If you are interested in accompanying Pastor Koch on this trip, please call or text him at (605) 216-6849 and let him know by May 10th. First come, first served.
- * **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org:** Study Acts 8-10 on Sharper Iron’s “To the End of the Earth” (weekdays at 8 a.m.), join us for Daily Chapel at 10 a.m., study 1 John 5 through Jude on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), and dig into Augsburg Confession Article XVII: Christ’s Return for Judgment on Concord Matters (5/21 at 10 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at 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.

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.



Introit *(Psalm 98:1b, 3-4; antiphon: vv. 1a, 2b)*

Sing to the Lord a new song, Alle- | luia,*
for he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
Alle- | luia.

**His right hand and his | holy arm*
have worked salva- | tion for him.
He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the
house of | Israel.***

**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.
Make a joyful noise to the Lord, | all the earth;*
break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!
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.**

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Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; 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: *Isaiah 12:1-6*

¹ You will say in that day:

“I will give thanks to you, O Lord,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

² “Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the Lord God is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.”

³ With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴ And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the Lord,
call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

⁵ “Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.

⁶ Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

Epistle Reading: *James 1:16-21*

¹⁶ Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷ Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸ Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

¹⁹ Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness that God requires. ²¹ Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

Gospel Reading: *John 16:5-15*

⁵ [Jesus said:] “But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and

righteousness and judgment: ⁹ concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰ concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹ concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹² “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

As We Gather...

Jesus Promises to Send His Holy Spirit, the Helper

Though Jesus has departed from us visibly to the right hand of the Father who sent Him, yet this is to our advantage. For Jesus—who is Lord over all creation, who intercedes for us before the Father, who is preparing a place for us in heaven—has sent the Helper, the Spirit of Truth (**John 16:5–15**). “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights” through Jesus Christ (**James 1:17**). The Holy Spirit helps us by taking what is Christ’s and declaring it to us. In the Word of truth, the Spirit works repentance and delivers to us the forgiveness of sins, the righteousness of Christ, and victory over the devil. For the ruler of this world is judged and defeated by the cross. Through the ministry of the Holy Spirit, we have been brought forth to new life in Him who is the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. Confident of our resurrection with Christ we confess, “Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid” (**Isaiah 12:2**).

From “A Summary of the Christian Faith”

by David Chytraeus (1568)

What is the Gospel?

The Gospel is the promise concerning Christ, or the teaching not known by nature but produced from the secret counsel of the Godhead through the Son. In it God, out of His boundless mercy, for the sake of Christ, His Son, freely promises the forgiveness of sins, righteousness, the Holy Spirit and eternal life to all who repent and embrace these promised blessings by faith.

The sum of the Gospel is Christ’s statement: “God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him might not perish but have everlasting life.” Rom. 3: “We are justified freely by the grace of God through the redemption which is in Christ, whom God put forward as an expiation by His blood to be received by faith,” etc.

* The quotation above is by David Chytraeus and is from his 1568 work *A Summary of the Christian Faith*. The English translation is by Rev. Dr. Richard Dinda and is published by Repristination Press. For information on Elements of Religion and other books available from Repristination Press, visit www.scholiam.net.

CATECHETICAL REVIEW

An Explanation of the Small Catechism

Confession *(Continued)*

"When I urge you to go to confession,
I am simply urging you to be a Christian."
(Large Catechism, Brief Exhortation 32)

262. What sins should we confess before God?

Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer.

876 **Psalm 19:12** - Who can discern his errors? Forgive my hidden faults.

877 **Proverbs 28:13** - He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

878 **1 John 1:8-9** - If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

263. What sins should we confess before our neighbor?

Before our neighbor we should confess all sins we have committed against him or her.

879 **James 5:16** - Confess your sins to each other.

880 **Matthew 5:23-24** - If you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.

264. What sins are we encouraged to confess privately before our pastor or confessor?

Before the pastor or confessor we confess those sins which we know and feel in our hearts, especially those that trouble us.

881 **2 Samuel 12:13** - David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord." Nathan replied, "The Lord has taken away your sin."

882 **James 5:16** - Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.

Note: No one may be forced to make private confession.

265. What is the second part of confession?

The second part of confession is that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness of sins.

883 **Isaiah 1:18** - "Come now, let us reason together," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool."

*With joy you will draw water from the wells
of salvation. - Isaiah 12:3*



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