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June 6, 2021

First 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: 544 "O Love, How Deep"

Hymn of the Day: 587 "I Know My Faith Is Founded"

Distribution Hymn: 728 "How Firm a Foundation"

Distribution Hymn: 748 "I'm But a Stranger Here"

Distribution Hymn: 685 "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

Distribution Hymn: 537 "Beautiful Savior"

Closing Hymn: 582 "God's Word Is Our Great Heritage"

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.

Raymond Ohlde, Angie Reinert, LaVon Hornbostel, Lula Stuenkel,

Marilyn Ohlde, Loraine Oldehoeft, & Lorna Heitman (in the nursing home)

Tiffany Snyder (cancer)

Ladonna Hornkohl (cancer)

Robbie Oelschlager (chronic pain)

Kelly & Quinn Rhoades

Charlotte Voelker (recovery)

Pamela Poppe

Roger Lange

Acolyte this Sunday - Zac Hiltgen

Acolyte next Sunday - Gretchen Bott

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

Ushers next Sunday - *Jacob Bott, Lance Gerleve, Brady Kolle, & John Bott

LYF Mowing June 12th - Ryan Stuenkel & Mason Tiemeyer

LYF Mowing June 19th - Ella Thalmann & Elijah Meier

Upcoming Events

June 6

9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

June 13

9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

1:00 p.m. Linn Lutheran School Association Meeting at Zion

June 20

9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

10:45 a.m. Father's Day Ice Cream Social (sponsored by LWML)

Announcements

- * Pastor Hayes will be out of town until June 9th. For emergency pastoral care, you may call Pastor Durance at (989) 573-0182.
- * Linn Lutheran School Association will now have a meeting **Sunday, June 13th**, at 1 p.m. @ Zion to hire a 3rd & 4th grade teacher. This replaces the June 6th meeting.
- * Mark your calendars! VBS Week is scheduled for June 28th through July 2nd!
- * Thank you to those who have volunteered for VBS or to donate snack food items. There is still a list of food items needed posted on the Sunday School bulletin board. Donated items that are non-perishable may be brought anytime and placed in the VBS container. Please have all items in by Sunday, June 27.
- * CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Hear mental health topics on The Coffee Hour's Mental Health Monday (**June 7th at 9 a.m.**), study Jeremiah 13-17 on Sharper Iron (**weekdays at 8 a.m.**), and settle into the noon hour with sacred music and various conversations on "Moments with KFUO Radio" (**weekdays at noon**). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org, the KFUO Radio app, or wherever you get your podcasts!



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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 may 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 13:1-4; antiphon: vv. 5-6)*

[O Lord,] I have trusted in your | steadfast love; *
my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.
I will sing | to the Lord, *
because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me for- | ever?*

How long will you hide your | face from me?

How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart | all the day?*

How long shall my enemy be exalted | over me?

Consider and answer me, O | Lord my God;*

**light up my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death,
lest my enemy say, “I have prevailed | over him,”*
lest my foes rejoice because I am | shaken.**

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 First Sunday after Trinity

O God, the strength of all who trust in You, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing, grant us Your grace to keep Your commandments that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading: *Genesis 15:1-6*

¹ After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.”
² But Abram said, “O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?”³ And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.”⁴ And behold, the word of the Lord came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.”⁵ And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”⁶ And he believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

Epistle Reading: *1 John 4:16-21*

¹⁶ So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.¹⁷ By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world.¹⁸ There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.¹⁹ We love because he first loved us.²⁰ If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen.²¹ And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 16:19-31*

¹⁹ [Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.²⁰ And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores,²¹ who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores.²² The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried,²³ and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side.²⁴ And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’²⁵ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish.²⁶ And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’²⁷ And he

said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house—²⁸ for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’²⁹ But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’³⁰ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’³¹ He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

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

On the Resurrection of the Dead.

On the Last Day, God, by His omnipotent Word, will raise the bodies of all dead men and unite them with their souls, and the wicked will endure eternal punishment with the devil, and those who are pious and doing good works will gain eternal rewards in heaven.

What is new obedience?

... Good works, or the worship of God, are the actions of the mind, will, heart and external members which God has commanded, which the Holy Spirit has aroused and which we have done in faith to this end: that we show God and honor.

* 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.scholia.net.

As We Gather... Faith Trusts in Christ for Life Eternal

When the beggar Lazarus died, he was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. For he was truly Abraham’s seed. Like Abraham, he believed in the Lord, and the Lord “*counted it to him as righteousness*” (**Genesis 15:6**). The name Lazarus means “*God is my help*.” The unnamed rich man, on the other hand, did not love and trust in God. For he evidently cared little for the beggar at his gate. And “*he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen*” (**1 John 4:20**). He who loved and trusted in possessions and prestige died and was in torments in Hades (**Luke 16:19–31**). Repentance and faith are worked only through Moses and the prophets—that is, the Word of God, for it points us to Christ. Only through His death and resurrection are we brought the comfort of life everlasting.

CATECHETICAL REVIEW

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

II. The Church, the Communion of Saints *(Continued)*

179. What do the Scriptures teach about our life in the church? (Cont.)

They teach that

D. we should maintain and extend God's church by telling others about Jesus Christ, by personal service, and by prayer and financial support.

625 **John 20:21** - As the Father has sent Me, I am sending you.

626 **Acts 1:8** - You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth..

627 **Acts 8:1, 4** - On that day a great persecution broke out against the church at Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria ... Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went.

628 **1 Peter 2:9** - You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.

629 **1 Peter 3:15** - Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.

630 **Luke 10:2** - He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.

631 **Galatians 6:6**- Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good things with his instructor.

Bible narratives: Peter addressed the crowds (**Acts 2:17-39; 3:12-26**). Philip witnessed to the eunuch (**Acts 8:26-35**). The early Christians prayed for the spreading of the Gospel (**Acts 4:23-30**). They also contributed to the support of the ministry (**Philippians 4:16-19**).

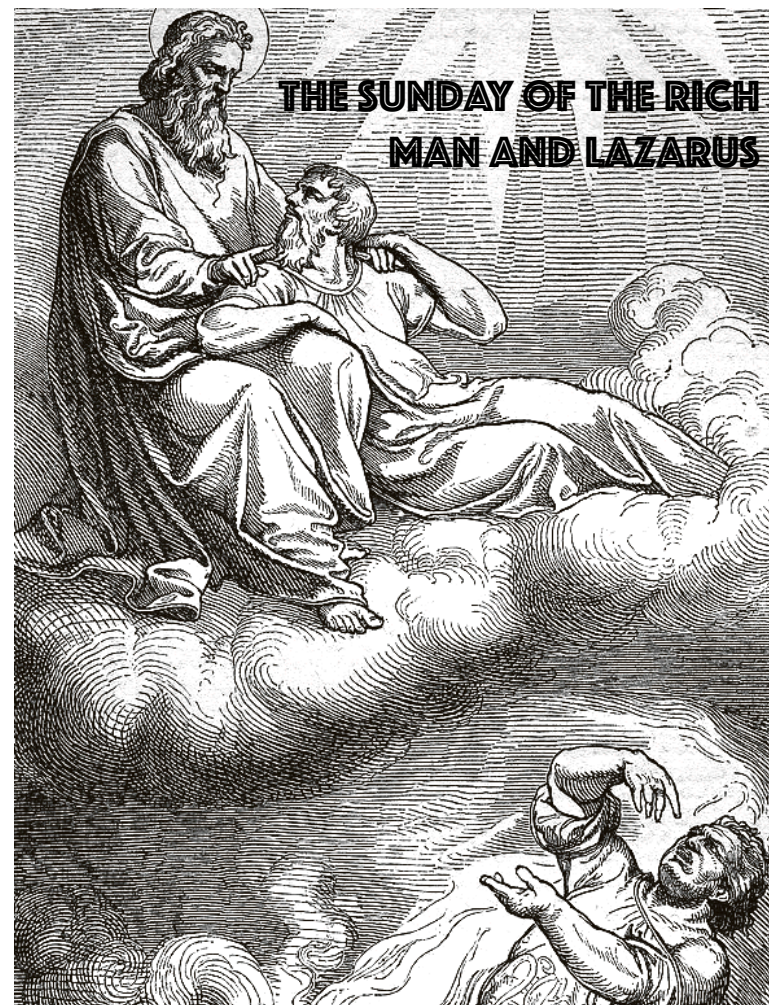
III. The Forgiveness of Sins

180. Why do you say, "I believe in the forgiveness of sins"?

I believe in the forgiveness of sins because through Christ God has declared pardon and forgiveness to all sinful humanity.

632 **Psalms 130:3-4** - If you, O Lord, keep a record of my sins, O Lord, who can stand? But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

633 **2 Corinthians 5:19** - God was reconciling the world to Himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them.



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