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November 21, 2021

Last Sunday of the Church Year

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: 561 "The Tree of Life"

Hymn of the Day: 516 "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"

Distribution Hymn: 636 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

Distribution Hymn: 673 "Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

Distribution Hymn: 514 "The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us"

Closing Hymn: 515 "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"

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,

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

Ladonna Hornkohl (cancer treatment)

Acolyte this Sunday - Dylan Ohlde

Acolyte next Sunday - Greyson Ohlde

Ushers this Sunday - *John Bott, Lance Gerleve, Andrew Tiemeyer, Ryan Stuenkel

Ushers next Sunday - *Brady Kolle, John Bott, Daniel Nabors, & Aaron Stuenkel

LYF Fellowship Hour today - Mason Tiemeyer & Conner Ohlde

LYF Fellowship Hour Nov. 28th & Dec. 5th - Daniel Nabors & Elijah Meier

Upcoming Events

- November 21** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
- November 24** 5:30 p.m. Midweek/Confirmation
7:00 p.m. **NO** Mixed Choir Rehearsal
- November 25** 9:30 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Service
- November 28** 8:45 a.m. Mixed Choir Rehearsal
9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Kids Christmas Program Practice
- December 1** 5:30 p.m. Midweek/Confirmation
6:00 p.m. Soup Supper
7:00 p.m. Midweek Advent 1

Announcements

- * **CHRIST FOR YOU** this week on KFUE.org: Begin studying Song of Songs on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), study Ezekiel 44-46 on Sharper Iron's "The Faithful Watchman" (weekdays at 8 a.m.), and hear special guests during Midday Moments weekdays at 12:30 p.m. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUE Radio App!

As We Gather...

By Faith We Are Prepared for Christ's Return

"The day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night" (**1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**). The arrival of the bridegroom will be sudden and unexpected. Therefore you are to be watchful and ready like the five wise virgins. "For you know neither the day nor the hour" when the Son of Man is to return (**Matthew 25:1-13**). The lamps are the Word of Christ. The oil in the lamps is the Holy Spirit, who works through the Word to create and sustain the flame of faith in Christ. The foolish are those who do not give proper attention to the working of the Holy Spirit in baptism, preaching, and the supper, and so their faith does not endure. The wise, however, are those who diligently attend to these gifts of the Spirit, and who therefore have an abundance of oil. The flame of faith endures to the end. By God's grace they are received into the eternal wedding feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, the new heavens and the new earth created by the Lord for the joy of His people (**Isaiah 65:17-25**).

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 39:4-5, 7-8; antiphon: Isaiah 35:10*)

The ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with | singing;*
everlasting joy shall be up- | on their heads.
They shall obtain glad- | ness and joy,*
and sorrow and sighing shall | flee away.

**O Lord, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days;*
let me know how fleeting | I am!**

**Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is
as nothing be- | fore you.***

**Surely all mankind stands as a | mere breath!
And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?***

**My hope | is in you.
Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.***

**Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!
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 Last Sunday of the Church Year

Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son, we pray, to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Please email any announcements for the bulletin to Theresa at
theresa_meier@yahoo.com by noon on Friday.

Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 65:17-25*

¹⁷ “Behold, I create new heavens
and a new earth,
and the former things shall not be remembered
or come into mind.
¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever
in that which I create;
for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy,
and her people to be a gladness.
¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem
and be glad in my people;
no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping
and the cry of distress.
²⁰ No more shall there be in it
an infant who lives but a few days,
or an old man who does not fill out his days,
for the young man shall die a hundred years old,
and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.
²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
²² They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
²³ They shall not labor in vain
or bear children for calamity,
for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord,
and their descendants with them.
²⁴ Before they call I will answer;
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall graze together;
the lion shall eat straw like the ox,
and dust shall be the serpent’s food.
They shall not hurt or destroy
in all my holy mountain,”
says the Lord.

Epistle Reading: *1 Thessalonians 5:1-11*

¹ Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have
no need to have anything written to you. ² For you yourselves are
fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.
³ While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden
destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant
woman, and they will not escape. ⁴ But you are not in darkness,
brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. ⁵ For you are all
children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the
darkness. ⁶ So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep
awake and be sober. ⁷ For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those
who get drunk, are drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let
us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a
helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹ For God has not destined us for wrath,
but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for
us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him.
¹¹ Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as
you are doing.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 25:1-13*

¹ [Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins
who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them
were foolish, and five were wise. ³ For when the foolish took their
lamps, they took no oil with them, ⁴ but the wise took flasks of oil
with their lamps. ⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became
drowsy and slept. ⁶ But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the
bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷ Then all those virgins rose and
trimmed their lamps. ⁸ And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some
of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹ But the wise answered,
saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to
the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ ¹⁰ And while they were going to
buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with
him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. ¹¹ Afterward the
other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹² But he
answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ ¹³ Watch therefore,
for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

CATECHETICAL REVIEW

An Explanation of the Small Catechism
The Lord's Prayer *(Continued)*

The Fourth Petition

Give us this day our daily bread.

Give us today our daily bread.

What does this mean?

God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread?

Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

219. Why do we pray to God for daily bread? (cont.)

We pray to God for daily bread, which includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, because Christ wants us to

C. look to God for physical as well as spiritual blessings.

773 **Psalm 91:15** - He will call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.

774 **Matthew 6:33** - Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

775 **Luke 7:3** - The centurion heard of Jesus and sent some elders of the Jews to Him, asking Him to come and heal his servant.

Bible narratives: Jesus healed blind Bartimaeus (**Mark 10:46-52**). Jesus healed 10 lepers (**Luke 17:11-19**).

220. How does God provide our daily bread?

He makes the earth fruitful and blesses us with the ability to work for the things we need.

776 **Psalm 104:14** - He makes grass grow for the cattle, and plants for man to cultivate - bringing forth food from the earth.

777 **2 Thessalonians 3:10-12** - Even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "If a man will not work, he shall not eat." We hear that some among you are idle. They are not busy; they are busybodies. Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the bread they eat.

The Sunday of the Wise and Foolish Virgins



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