

## St. John Ev. Lutheran Church

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**June 14, 2026**

**The Second 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 Werner, 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 (pg. 184)

**Opening Hymn:** 904 "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"

**Hymn of the Day:** 818 "In Thee Is Gladness"

**Distribution Hymn:** 622 "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"

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

**Distribution Hymn:** 680 "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

**Distribution Hymn:** 570 "Just as I Am, without One Plea"

**Closing Hymn:** 588 "Jesus Loves Me"

### Prayer Requests

Please text or call Pastor Werner at (612) 716-4753 to submit prayer requests.

Prayer requests will remain for 2 weeks unless you specify a length of time.

**Angie Reinert, Loren Bott, JoAnn Ohlde, & Gladys Stone** (nursing home);

**Annette Bott** (cancer); **Ruth Henderson; Kelly Voelker** (recovering from surgery)

**Acolyte today** - None

**Acolyte June 21** - Briette Bott

**Ushers today** - \*Evan Bott, Zac Hiltgen, Lucious Petesch, & Mason Tiemeyer

**Ushers June 21** - \*Greyson Ohlde, Conner Ohlde, Noah Thalmann, Kingston Voelker

**LYF Mowing June 20** - Cade Hiltgen & Nolan Meier

**LYF Mowing June 27** - Sophia & Emma Hiltgen

### Upcoming Events

- June 14** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class
- June 21** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
10:45 a.m. Father's Day Ice Cream Social (hosted by LWML)
- June 22** 7:00 p.m. LLS School Board Meeting

### Announcements

- LCMS Memory Verse Challenge: **Ephesians 5:8** - "At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light."
- The Father's Day special collection next **Sunday, June 21st**, is for the Northcentral Kansas Outreach Program.
- The LWML will host their annual Father's Day Ice Cream Social next **Sunday, June 21st**. Please join us right after the church service for ice cream and toppings to honor all the dads in our lives.
- **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFYO.org:** Our study of the book of Matthew continues on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.)! Tune in to "The Reign of Heaven Stands Near" as we focus in on Matthew 5. Join us on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.) as we wrap up our study of Romans and move right into the book of Acts! Don't forget to listen to Concord Matters this Saturday (6/20 at 10 a.m.) as we review our study of the Power and Primacy of the Pope.

### Luther Quote from His Sermon on The Parable of the Wedding Feast

Everyone yammers about the enormous unfaithfulness and the greed now prevailing in the world—how much peasants, burghers, and noblemen wrangle, scrimp, steal, and rob. This is not a minor matter and cannot, in the long run, be left unpunished. But worse still, surpassing all the rest, is that we who have the gospel snore away during the sermon and then in the same hour amble off to the marketplace by the gate, then into the alehouses, or sit and loll around in the amusement park. Our fellow citizens are steeped in sin up to the ears, despising not only the Word, but also scoffing at the preachers and saying, "Our pastor preaches about nothing else but faith, about love, about the cross!" And meanwhile they shuffle off to destruction. It breaks my heart to see this happening. God will surely punish them horribly because of this, letting false doctrine and factious spirits engulf them, causing dissension and defection of countless people from God's Word. This has happened in Greece and other countries, where Mohammed now is in control, who teaches them to believe the rubbish offered by the devil, where before they had God's Word but despised it.

## 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. John Werner, 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 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.*

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### Introit *(Psalm 18:1-2a, 27, 30a, 49; antiphon: vv. 18b-19)*

The Lord was | my support\*  
in the day of my ca- | lamity.  
He brought me out into a | broad place;\*  
he rescued me, because he delight- | ed in me.

**I love you, O | Lord, my strength.\***  
**The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my de- | liverer.**  
**For you save a humble | people,\***  
**but the haughty eyes | you bring down.**  
**This God—his way is | perfect;\***   
**the word of the | Lord proves true.**  
**For this I will praise you, O Lord, among the | nations,\***  
**and sing | to your name.**  
**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 Second Sunday after Trinity

O Lord, since You never fail to help and govern those whom You nurture in Your steadfast fear and love, work in us a perpetual fear and love of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Old Testament Reading: *Proverbs 9:1-10*

1 Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. 2 She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. 3 She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, 4 “Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!” To him who lacks sense she says, 5 “Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. 6 Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight.” 7 Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury. 8 Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. 9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning. 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

## Gradual (*Psalm 120:1-2*)

**In my distress I called to the Lord,  
and he answered me.  
Deliver me, O Lord, from lying lips,  
from a deceitful tongue.**

## Epistle Reading: *1 John 3:13-18*

13 Do not be surprised, brothers, that the world hates you. 14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. 15 Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. 16 By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. 17 But if anyone has the world’s goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God’s love abide in him? 18 Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

## Alleluia Verse (*Psalm 7:17*)

**Alleluia.** I will give to the Lord the thanks due to his righteousness, and I will sing praise to the name of the Lord, the Most High. **Alleluia.**

## Gospel Reading: *Luke 14:15-24*

15 When one of those who reclined at table with [Jesus] heard these things, he said to him, “Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!” 16 But he said to him, “A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. 17 And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come, for everything is now ready.’ 18 But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, ‘I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.’ 19 And another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.’ 20 And another said, ‘I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.’ 21 So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, ‘Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.’ 22 And the servant said, ‘Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.’ 23 And the master said to the servant, ‘Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. 24 For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.’”

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## As We Gather...

## The Gospel Call Goes Out to All

*Wisdom has issued an invitation to the divine feast: “Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight” (Proverbs 9:5-6). This is the call of the Spirit of Christ to believe the Gospel and to receive His saving gifts in the Holy Supper. Many make excuses and reject this invitation, even as the Jews did in the days of Jesus, yet the Master’s house will be filled. The Gospel call therefore goes out to the lowly and despised, into the highways, even to all the Gentiles (Luke 14:15-24). For “you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ” (Ephesians 2:13-22). In Christ, believing Jews and Gentiles are no longer strangers but fellow members of the household of God. The enmity of class and race is put to death through the cross. Having been reconciled in the one Body of Christ, we are enabled to love one another (1 John 3:13-18) as we await the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which will have no end.*

## *Catechetical Review*

As the head of the family should teach  
it in a simple way to his household.

### *The Lord's Prayer*

#### *The Sixth Petition*

And lead us not into temptation.

*What does this mean?*

God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

#### *The Seventh Petition*

But deliver us from evil.

*What does this mean?*

We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

#### *The Conclusion*

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*What does this mean?*

This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means "yes, yes, it shall be so."

## *The Sunday of the Great Banquet*



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