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## July 6, 2025

## Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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 Gaschler, 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: 908 "Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear"

Hymn of the Day: 533 "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure"

Distribution Hymn: 621 "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

Distribution Hymn: 634 "The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord"

Distribution Hymn: 639 "Wide Open Stand the Gates"

Closing Hymn: 856 "O Christ, Who Called the Twelve"

## Prayer Requests

Please email prayer requests to Pastor Gaschler at

[pastormarkgaschler@gmail.com](mailto:pastormarkgaschler@gmail.com).

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

Angie Reinert, Marilyn Ohlde, Lorna Heitman, Loren Bott, JoAnn Ohlde, Gladys Stone, & Marilynne Ohlde (nursing home); Addie Voelker (healing); Micah Helms (cancer)

Ushers today - \*Dylan Ohlde, Lucious Petesch, Noah Thalmann, & Conner Ohlde

Ushers July 13 - \*Elijah Meier, Ethan Bott, Mason Tiemeyer, & Emmitt Tiemeyer

LYF Mowing July 12 - Greyson Ohlde & Lucious Petesch

LYF Mowing July 19 - Aiden Sweet & Deavon Ohlde

## Upcoming Events

July 6

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

~9:30 a.m. Breakfast (hosted by LYF)

3:00 p.m. Installation of Pastor Werner

July 9

8:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting

July 13

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

## Announcements

- The next Quarterly Voters Assembly meeting will be held Sunday, July 20th, immediately following church.
- All of the Endowment Matching has been used from St. John for Linn Lutheran School for 2025. Thank you to everyone who used this program. We appreciate your support.
- LCMS memory verse challenge: **John 15:5** - "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."

## As We Gather...

## The Lord Grants Peace and Life to His Church

The Lord restores Jerusalem, His Church, because she is the mother of His children, whom He comforts "as one whom his mother comforts" (Isaiah 66:13). We are "satisfied from her consoling breast" with the pure milk of the Word, and we "drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance" (Isaiah 66:11). The messengers of Christ bestow such gifts upon His Church. For He sends them out "as lambs in the midst of wolves" (Luke 10:3), bearing in their bodies the sacrifice of His cross, by which "the kingdom of God has come near" (Luke 10:9, 11). Wherever He enters in with this Gospel, Satan is cast out and falls "like lightning from heaven" (Luke 10:18). Thus, we do not "boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Galatians 6:14). Rejoicing in this Gospel, we "bear one another's burdens" in love, according to "the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2).

Please email any announcements for the bulletin to Theresa at [theresa\\_meier@yahoo.com](mailto:theresa_meier@yahoo.com) by noon on Friday.

## 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. Mark Gaschler, Vacancy 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 19:2, 4-6; antiphon: v. 1)*

The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,\*  
and the sky above proclaims his | handiwork.

**Day to day | pours out speech,\***

**and night to night reveals | knowledge.**

**Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words  
to the end | of the world.\***

**In them he has set a tent | for the sun,**

**which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his | chamber,\***

**and, like a strong man, runs its | course with joy.**

**Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the | end of  
them,\***

**and there is nothing hidden | from its heat.**

**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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and the sky above proclaims his | handiwork.

### Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; 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 66:10-14*

10 “Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,  
all you who love her;  
rejoice with her in joy,  
all you who mourn over her;  
11 that you may nurse and be satisfied  
from her consoling breast;  
that you may drink deeply with delight  
from her glorious abundance.”  
12 For thus says the LORD:  
“Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river,  
and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream;  
and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip,  
and bounced upon her knees.  
13 As one whom his mother comforts,  
so I will comfort you;  
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.  
14 You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;  
your bones shall flourish like the grass;  
and the hand of the LORD shall be known to his servants,  
and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.”

## Gradual (*Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.*)

**How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,  
who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.  
Their voice has gone out to all the earth,  
and their words to the ends of the world.**

## Epistle Reading: *Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18*

1 Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. 3 For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 4 But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. 5 For each will have to bear his own load.

6 One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. 8 For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. 9 And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. 10 So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. . . .

14 But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. 16 And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

17 From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

## Verse (*Luke 10:5b, 9b*)

**Alleluia.** Peace be to this house! The kingdom of God has come near to you.

**Alleluia.**

## Gospel Reading: *Luke 10:1-20*

1 After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. 2 And he said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. 3 Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. 4 Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’ 6 And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. 7 And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. 8 Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. 9 Heal the sick in it and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, 11 ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.’ 12 I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

13 “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. 14 But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. 15 And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

16 “The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

17 The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!” 18 And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. 19 Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. 20 Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”



# Catechetical Review

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

## 1. The Holy Spirit

### The Person of the Holy Spirit

#### 154. Who is the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Holy Trinity, true God with the Father and the Son - therefore not merely the power or energy of God.

542 **Matthew 28:19** - Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

#### 155. How do you know that the Holy Spirit is God?

Because the Scriptures clearly call Him God, teaching that

A. the Holy Spirit has divine names;

543 **Acts 5:3-4** - Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit?... You have not lied to men but to God."

544 **1 Corinthians 3:16** - Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit lives in you?

B. the Holy Spirit possesses divine attributes (properties or characteristics);

545 **Psalm 139:7-10** - Where can I go from Your Spirit? Where can I flee from Your presence? If I go to the heavens, You are there; if I make my bed in the depths, You are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there Your hand will guide me, Your right hand will hold me fast. (Omnipresence)

546 **1 Corinthians 2:10** - The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. (Omniscience)

547 **Hebrews 9:14** - Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God! (Eternity)

*Note:* See **Matthew 28:19**. (Holiness)

C. the Holy Spirit does divine works (which only God can do);

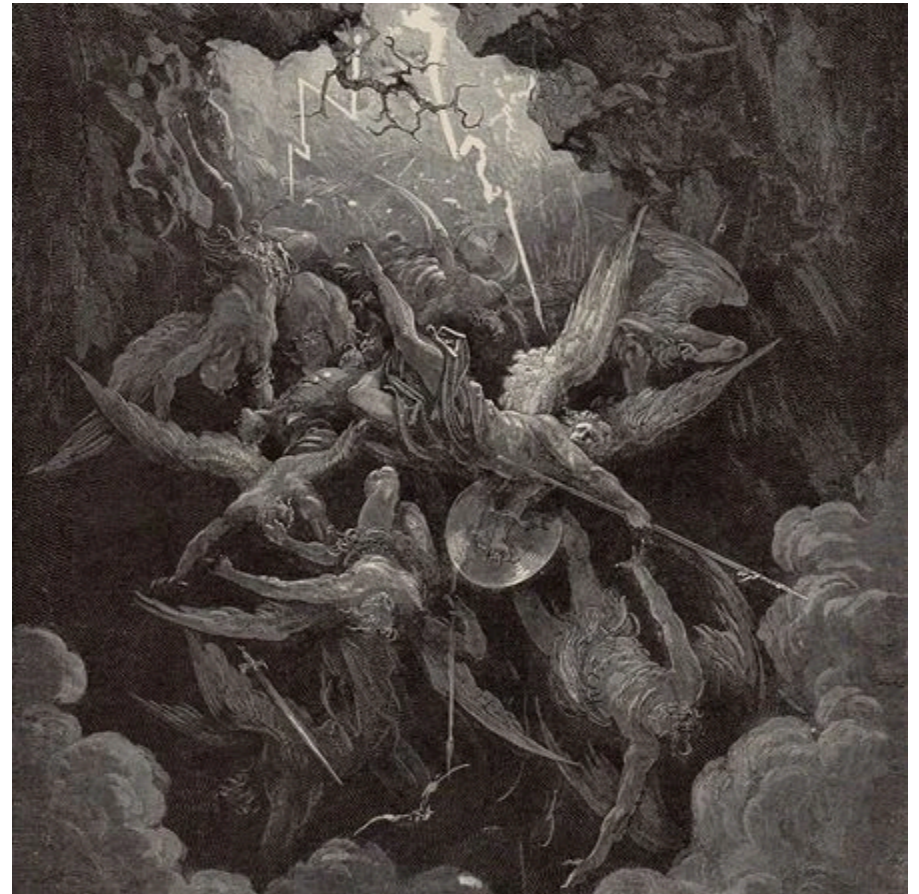
548 **Genesis 1:2** - Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. (Creation)

549 **Titus 3:5** - He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. (Sanctification)

D. the Holy Spirit receives divine honor and glory.

550 **1 Peter 4:14** - The Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

*"I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven." Luke 10:18*



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