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October 17, 2021

Twentieth 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: 905 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

Hymn of the Day: 585 "Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide"

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

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

Distribution Hymn: 709 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Closing Hymn: 672 "Jerusalem the Golden"

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)

Peggy Rikli (hip surgery)

Acolyte this Sunday - Aiden Sweet

Acolyte next Sunday - Noah Thalmann

Ushers this Sunday - *Brady Kolle, Eli Thalmann, Elijah Meier, & Daniel Nabors

Ushers next Sunday - *Aaron Stuenkel, John Bott, Tyler Ohlde, & Ethan Bott

LYF Fellowship Hour today & Oct. 24th - Ella Thalmann & Ryan Stuenkel

LYF Fellowship Hour Oct. 31st & Nov. 7th - Ethan & Sophia Bott

LYF Mowing Oct. 23rd - Conner Ohlde & Mason Tiemeyer

LYF Mowing Oct. 30th - Claire & Camryn Beikmann

Upcoming Events

- October 17** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion (LWML Sunday)
10:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
1:30 p.m. Quarterly Voters Meeting (with election of officers)
- October 20** 5:30 p.m. Midweek
7:00 p.m. Mixed Choir
- October 24** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
- October 27** 5:30 p.m. Midweek
7:00 p.m. Mixed Choir

Announcements

- * Now that October 1st has passed, church members may place flowers in front of the cemetery grave stones.
- * Ninety-one years ago, October 1930, the course of Christian broadcast history was changed when Dr. Walter A. Maier stepped behind the microphone to launch "The Lutheran Hour®." Families gathered in their living rooms each week to hear the hopeful message of the Gospel provided by the radio broadcast. You are invited to join us on **Sunday, November 7**, in Bible Study and in worship led by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of the Lutheran Hour®, at Washington County High School, 115 N D St., Washington, KS. The Bible Study will begin at 9:00 a.m. on the topic "Speaking of Jesus." The Worship Service begins at 10:30 a.m. Both are open to all to attend.
- * The LWML Zone Fall Event will be hosted by Immanuel, Bremen, on **Sunday, October 24**, at 1:30 p.m. Registration is from 1:00 - 1:30 p.m., and the cost is \$2. Pastor Philip Miller will lead a Bible study focusing on the catechism, and Marsh Stohs will present the National LWML Convention delegate report. The servant event will be making witness bracelets for MOST Ministries and Swaddling Clothes, Greenleaf; in-gathering items needed are: hats, gloves, shoes (6 mo. to size 5), baby wipes, bottles, onesies, thermometers for taking temperatures, and disposable diapers (newborn; sizes 1, 5, & 6; and toddler sizes). All ladies are invited and encouraged to bring a friend; daycare will be provided.
- * Linn Lutheran School Annual Endowment Fund Benefit Auction will be held **Saturday, November 20th**, at the Palmer Community Building. If you would like to donate to the auction, please fill out the form and return it to Linn Lutheran School or an auction committee member by Friday, October 22nd, in order to be listed in the auction book. Thank you for your generosity in supporting Christian education in our community!!
- * **CHRIST FOR YOU** this week on KFUO.org: Worship with us in Daily Chapel services at 10 a.m., study the Means of Grace on Concord Matters (10/23 at 10 a.m.), study Ezekiel 22-26 on Sharper Iron's "The Faithful Watchman" (weekdays at 8 a.m.), and study various Psalms before beginning Ecclesiastes on Thy Strong next week (weekdays at 11 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on 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 48:1, 9-11; antiphon: Liturgical Text)*

The Lord is righteous in all he has | done to us,*
for we have not obeyed his com- | mandments.
Glorify your | name, O Lord;*
and deal with us according to your great | mercy.

**Great is the Lord and greatly | to be praised*
in the city of our God, his holy | mountain.
We have thought on your steadfast love, | O God,*
in the midst of your | temple.
As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends | of the earth.*
Your right hand is filled with | righteousness.
Let Mount Zion | be glad!*
Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your | judgments!
Glorify 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 Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

O Lord, grant to Your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve You with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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 55:1-9*

¹ “Come, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
⁴ Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
⁵ Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.
⁶ “Seek the Lord while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
⁷ let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.
⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

Epistle Reading: *Ephesians 5:15-21*

¹⁵ Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise,
¹⁶ making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore
do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ And do
not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the
Spirit, ¹⁹ addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,
singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, ²⁰ giving
thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our
Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ submitting to one another out of reverence for
Christ.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 22:1-14*

¹ Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ² “The kingdom of
heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son,
³ and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding
feast, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other servants, saying,
“Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and
my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to
the wedding feast.” ⁵ But they paid no attention and went off, one to his
farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his servants, treated
them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷ The king was angry, and he sent his
troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸ Then he
said to his servants, “The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were
not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding
feast as many as you find.” ¹⁰ And those servants went out into the roads
and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding
hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ “But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a
man who had no wedding garment. ¹² And he said to him, ‘Friend, how
did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless.
¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast
him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and
gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

As We Gather...

*Jesus Invites Us to His Wedding Feast
to Receive Abundant Righteousness*

The Holy Spirit sounds forth the Gospel call: “*See, I have prepared my dinner ... Come to the wedding feast*” (**Matthew 22:1–14**). But many reject this invitation in favor of worldly pursuits. And so the call goes out to others, both the good and the bad. For the wedding invitation is not based on the qualifications of those invited but on the basis of the merits and work of Christ. The feast is free: “*He who has no money, come, buy and eat ... delight yourselves in rich food.*” (**Isaiah 55:1–9**). Those rejecting the Spirit’s work shall experience God’s wrath and judgment. Those who are not clothed in Christ’s righteousness shall be cast into outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Let us therefore seek the Lord while He may be found, for He will have mercy upon us. Let us redeem the time, being filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ (**Ephesians 5:15–21**).

CATECHETICAL REVIEW

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

The Sunday of the Wedding Garment

The Third Petition

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Your will be done on earth as in heaven.

What does this mean?

The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

How is God's will done?

God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

215. What is the good and gracious will of God?

It is God's will that His name be kept holy and that His kingdom come, that is, that His Word be taught correctly and that sinners be brought to faith in Christ and lead godly lives.

750 **Deuteronomy 4:2** - Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you.

751 **John 6:40** - My Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

752 **1 Timothy 2:4** - [God] wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

753 **1 Thessalonians 4:3** - It is God's will that you should be sanctified.

216. Who will and plans are opposed to the will of God?

The devil, the world, and our own sinful nature oppose the good and gracious will of God.

754 **1 Peter 5:8** - Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

755 **1 John 2:15-17** - Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For everything in the world - the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does - comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever.

756 **Romans 7:18** - I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out.

Bible narratives: The devil misled humanity to sin (**Genesis 3:1-7**). The enemies of Jesus brought about the fall of Peter (**Luke 22:54-62**). Achan's sinful nature led him to steal (**Joshua 7:18-22**).

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