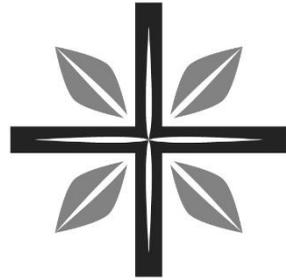


St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



Welcome to our visitors!

- It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will fill your heart with the peace that only God can offer and the joy we have in knowing that Jesus Christ is our Savior from sin.
- Large print service folders are available from an usher. Assisted listening devices, including both ear bud and loop receivers for digital hearing aids, are also available from an usher.
- Children's service folders and worship notes are available in the round tract rack in the entry area.
- Parents may take small children into the entry area, mother's room (at the back of the church), or nursery (lower level of church) as needed and follow the worship service on the TV monitor. Changing tables are available in the mother's room and in the room adjacent to the nursery.
- Restrooms are located at the far end of the entry area.
- As the offering is received, members and guests are asked to sign the Friendship Register. Please pass the register to your neighbor and then return it to the center aisle. Visitors are also asked to fill out a guest card and give it to an usher.
- Please join us for Bible class at 9:15 AM.
Evangelism: Fellowship Hall, lower level of church
Bible Information Class: St. Matthew's Room, lower level of church
Summer Sunday School (pre-K – 6th grade): School Commons
A staffed nursery is available during Bible class.

The Third Sunday After Pentecost

June 9 & 10, 2018

A Christian's Calling: Renewed creations

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Please stand to sing the final stanza

All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall

Christian Worship 378

M: The grace of our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

PRAAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases extending across bar lines. The lyrics are aligned with the notes below the staff.

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of a few notes: a quarter note, a half note, and a quarter note, ending with a double bar line. The lyrics are aligned with the notes below the staff.

THE WORD

First Lesson

Genesis 3:8-15

Where are Adam and Eve? Hiding from the LORD God and in need of salvation.

Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, “Where are you?”

He answered, “I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.”

And he said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?”

The man said, “The woman you put here with me – she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.”

Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this you have done?”

The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

So the LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this,

“Cursed are you above all the livestock and all the wild animals!

You will crawl on your belly

and you will eat dust all the days of your life.

And I will put enmity between you and the woman,

and between your offspring and hers;

he will crush your head,

and you will strike his heel.”

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 51a (see pg. 11)

Where is the psalmist King David? Asking for forgiveness for his sins.

Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 4:13-18

Where are we as Christians? Being renewed and longing for what is unseen.

It is written: “I believed; therefore I have spoken.” With that same spirit of faith we also believe and therefore speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you in his presence. All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.

Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Verse of the Day

M: Alleluia, alleluia. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Alleluia.

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand

Gospel

Mark 3:20-35

Where are those Jesus preaches to? Either for him or against him.

Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, “He is out of his mind.”

And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons.”

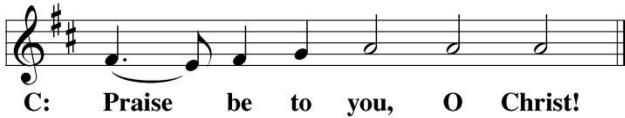
So Jesus called them and spoke to them in parables: “How can Satan drive out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. In fact, no one can enter a strong man’s house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he can rob his house. I tell you the truth, all the sins and blasphemies of men will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; he is guilty of an eternal sin.”

He said this because they were saying, “He has an evil spirit.”

Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you."

"Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked.

Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."



Be seated

Hymn of the Day

Let Me Be Yours Forever

Christian Worship 596

Sermon

2 Corinthians 4:13-18

We Don't Give Up

Please stand

Apostles' Creed

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Be seated

THANKSGIVING

Offering

The members of St. John's have joined together to do the Lord's work in our community and around the world, and our offerings are a joyful response of our faith. If you are a visitor today, you are welcome but not obligated to give an offering.

Please stand

Prayer of the Church

- M:** O Lord our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.
- C:** **We praise you for every grace and blessing.**
- M:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.
- C:** **Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**
- M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.
- C:** **Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**
- M:** Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.
- C:** **Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**

M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C: **Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: **Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow

M: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

C: **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Be seated

Hymn

The Tree of Life (see pg. 12)
Christian Worship Supplement 754

Please stand

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and ☩ give you peace.



Be seated

Closing Hymn

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me
Christian Worship 439

Announcements

WELS Connection

Telling The Next Generation

Postlude

Psalm 51a

Refrain



Be mer - ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Psalm tone



Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love.

Wash away all my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before me. **Refrain**

Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight.

Surely I was sinful at birth,
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquity.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen. **Refrain****



1 The tree of life with ev - 'ry
 2 The still - ness of that sa - cred
 3 What mer - cy God showed to our
 4 Now from that tree of Je - sus'



good In E - den's ho - ly or - chard
 grove Was bro - ken as the ser - pent
 race, A plan of res - cue by his
 shame Flows life e - ter - nal in his



stood, And of its fruit so pure and
 strove With tempt - ing voice Eve to be -
 grace: In send - ing One from wom - an's
 name; For all who trust and will be -



sweet God let the man and wom - an
 guile And Ad - am to by sin de -
 seed, The One to fill our great - est
 lieve, Sal - va - tion's liv - ing fruit re -



eat. Yet in this gar - den al - so
 file. Oh, day of sad - ness when the
 need— For on a tree up - lift - ed
 ceive. And of this fruit so pure and



grew An - oth - er tree, of which they
breath Of fear and dark - ness, doubt and
high His on - ly Son for sin would
sweet The Lord in - vites the world to



knew; Its love - ly limbs with fruit a -
death, Its aw - ful poi - son first dis -
die, Would drink the cup of scorn and
eat, To find with - in this cross of



dorned A - gainst whose eat - ing God had warned.
played With - in the world so new - ly made.
dread To crush the an - cient ser - pent's head!
wood The tree of life with ev - 'ry good.

God's first promise to send a Savior, offered in the shadow of Eden, finds its fulfillment on the tree of Calvary, Jesus' cross.

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Serving at Worship

Minister	Pastor Eric Schroeder
Musicians	Mandy Treder, piano (Saturday) Dan Schmal, organ (Sunday)
Head Ushers	Mark Naumann (Saturday) Kerry Kuehn (8:00 AM) Rick Yahn (10:30 AM)
Greeters	Dave & Dana Leyrer, Mary Rindfleisch, Barbara Weihing (8:00 AM) Sally Parker, Mary Perez, John & Julie Rader (10:30 AM)

Worship Notes

- The flowers on the altar are given by John and Kayla Cardoza on the occasion of their marriage this Saturday, June 9 and for blessings received.

In Our Prayers

- Emily Woldt and Ryan Lussky will be married at St. John's on Saturday, June 16.
- Emily and James Foy, upon the birth of their son, Elliott Wolfgram, born last Saturday, June 2.

Parents' Preview for June 17

The Parents' Preview highlights an aspect of next week's service: a liturgical song, a Psalm refrain, or a hymn stanza. Our hope and prayer is that parents will teach this portion of the service to their children at home during the week so that children can participate more fully in the worship service.

Psalm 92 Refrain

Refrain



Lord, let your mer-cy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

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M	Acts 6:1-7.....	John 4:4-14
T	Ecclesiastes 5:1-6.....	Jeremiah 3:14-17
W	Matthew 11:25-30.....	Corinthians 14:26-33
TH	Luke 14:12-15.....	1 Corinthians 14:1-4, 23-25
F	1 Corinthians 1:20-25.....	Isaiah 45:22-25
S	James 2:1-9.....	Revelation 7:9, 10, 13-17

