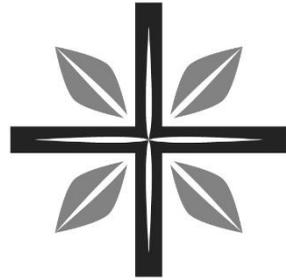


St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



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.
- Restrooms are located at the far end of the entry area.
- Large print service folders, assisted listening devices, children's service folders, and children's worship notes are available from the ushers.
- 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.
- 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.
- The Lord's Supper will be celebrated in our worship today. Scripture tells us that the Lord's Supper is an expression of unity in God's Word and a privilege reserved for those who have publicly confessed their oneness in faith. Therefore, we ask guests who are not members of WELS or ELS congregations to refrain from communion until such oneness can be established. We do not intend to be exclusive and unloving. Rather, we desire to faithfully carry out the teaching of Scripture and further explore God's Word with you in the hope that we may eventually enjoy such "communion fellowship" together. For more information, please speak with one of our pastors.

All Saints' Day

November 3 & 4, 2018

Use Your Time: To celebrate those who have gone before

Opening Hymn (10:30 AM)

See This Wonder in the Making
Christian Worship 300

Holy Baptism (10:30 AM)

Christian Worship, pg. 12

Please stand

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

DIALOGUE FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY

M: I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

C: **My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.**

M: The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.

C: **The LORD redeems his servants; no one will be condemned who takes refuge in him.**

Psalm 34: 1, 2, 7, 22

(sung) **For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live,
Who followed you, obeyed, adored, our grateful hymn receive.**

M: Too often we have not walked in obedience to all that the Lord has commanded us. Therefore let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

Please kneel

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, for the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, you should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

M: In his great mercy, God sent Jesus to be the author and perfecter of our faith and to endure the cross on our behalf. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Please stand

M: This is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. *John 6:39*

C: After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. *Revelation 7:9a*

(sung) **For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die,
Who counted you their great reward, accept our thankful cry.**

M: They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. *Revelation 7:9b*

C: He who overcomes will inherit all this, and I will be his God and he will be my son. *Revelation 21:7*

(sung) **They all in life and death, with you, their Lord, in view,
Learned from your Holy Spirit's breath to suffer and to do.**

M: Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. *Hebrews 12:1*

C: I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 3:14*

(sung) **For this your name we bless and humbly pray anew
That we like them in holiness may live and die in you.**

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow the example of your blessed saints in lives of faith and willing service and with them at last inherit the inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who love you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Be seated

THE WORD

First Lesson

Isaiah 26:1-4, 8, 9, 12, 13, 19-21

The LORD has always brought his people safely home.

In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah:

We have a strong city; God makes salvation its walls and ramparts.

Open the gates that the righteous nation may enter, the nation that keeps faith.

You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you.

Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD, the LORD is the Rock eternal.

Yes, LORD, walking in the way of your laws, we wait for you;

your name and renown are the desire of our hearts.

My soul yearns for you in the night; in the morning my spirit longs for you.

When your judgments come upon the earth, the people of the world learn righteousness.

LORD, you establish peace for us; all that we have accomplished you have done for us.

O LORD, our God, other lords besides you have ruled over us, but your name alone do we honor.

But your dead will live; their bodies will rise.

You who dwell in the dust, wake up and shout for joy.

Your dew is like the dew of the morning; the earth will give birth to her dead.

Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you;

hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by.

See, the LORD is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins.

The earth will disclose the blood shed upon her; she will conceal her slain no longer.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 34

Blessed are those who the LORD hears, redeems, and brings safely home.

Refrain



Psalm tone



Taste and see that the LORD is good;
blessed are they who take refuge in him.

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous
and his ears are attentive to their cry.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,
and he delivers them.

Refrain

The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them;
he delivers them from all their troubles.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

The LORD redeems his servants;
no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

**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

God has led generations before safely home to heaven.

After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice:

“Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.”

All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying:

“Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor
and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!”

Then one of the elders asked me, “These in white robes – who are they, and where did they come from?”

I answered, “Sir, you know.”

And he said, “These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore,

“they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them.

Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst.

The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd;

he will lead them to springs of living water.

And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Verse of the Day

M: Alleluia, alleluia. They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple. 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



Please stand

Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

Blessed are those who have gone safely home before us.

Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”



Be seated

Hymn of the Day

By All Your Saints Still Striving (stanzas 1, 22, 3)

Christian Worship 552

A Beautiful and Beatific Vision

Please stand

Nicene Creed

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Be seated

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. To submit your offering electronically, scan the QR code or visit www.sjtosa.org/giving. If you are a visitor today, you are welcome but not obligated to give an offering.



Please stand

Prayer of the Church

- M:** O blessed heavenly Father, God of all comfort and Lord of our salvation, on this day we honor the memory of Christian loved ones who have preceded us in death and are now with you in heaven.
- C:** **We thank you that in your grace you called them out of darkness into the marvelous light of your truth, so that they came to trust the love and forgiveness you have given the world through your Son.**
- M:** Whenever sorrow floods our hearts because of the losses we have individually suffered, comfort us with the reminder that our loved ones, having remained faithful to death, are resting safely and joyfully in your presence.
- C:** **Remind us that the glory that is now theirs is not worth comparing with the sufferings of this present evil age.**
- M:** As the hour of our own departure from this vale of tears draws ever nearer, grant that with the Holy Spirit's help we may continue to trust in the promise of everlasting life through Christ alone.
- C:** **As long as we live here in the valley of the shadow of death, help us to give a good witness to the world concerning the hope that is in us.**
- M:** Shelter us in all our troubles. Give us strength to bear them, provide us in due time with relief, raise up those who are fallen, and lift the burdens from the oppressed.
- C:** **Through the sufferings of this present life, teach us to trust you more and to store up treasures in heaven.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow

M: Graciously keep us steadfast in the true faith until we are called before your throne to receive from your Son the crown of righteousness reserved for the faithful.

C: **We pray in the name of him whose voice will call the dead to life and whose grace will grant the victory to all who believe. 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.**

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: **And al - so with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. By his saints and witnesses of the past he encourages us to run with perseverance the race marked out for us and to live in righteousness and peace.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



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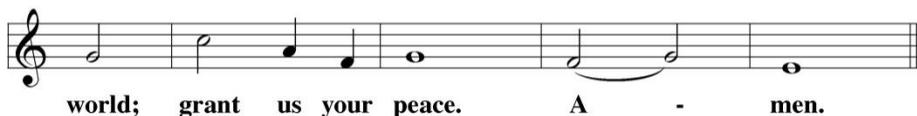
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

Words of Institution

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

M: Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Be seated

*To receive communion, please proceed down the center aisle and exit via the side aisles.
Grape juice is available in the center of the individual cup tray for those unable to receive wine.
Personal prayers for communion can be found on pg. 17 of the service folder.*

Please stand

THANKSGIVING



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

M: Heavenly Father, as we are strangers and pilgrims here on earth, set our minds on things above, rejoicing in our citizenship in the heavenly Jerusalem. With the faithful who have gone safely home before us, open our lips that our mouths may confess the salvation that is ours through the sacrifice of your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



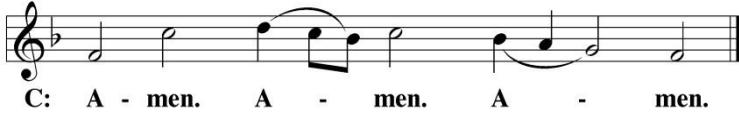
C: A - men.

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

Give Thanks to God on High (stanzas 1 & 2)

Christian Worship 553

Postlude

Serving at Worship

Preacher	Pastor Joel Leyrer
Presiding Minister	Pastor Kyle Bitter
Musicians	Lisa Eggebrecht, piano (Saturday) Eric Sipe, organ (Sunday) Kathryn Hendee, French horn
Communion Assistants	Dan Schmal, Larry Totsky, Jeff Quint (8:00 AM) Keith Hackbarth, Adam Marley, Andrew Duncan (10:30 AM)
Head Ushers	Kerry Kuehn (Saturday); Tom Wessel (8:00 AM); Doug Knuth (10:30 AM)
Greeters	Peter & Sharon Trettin, Steve & Jennifer Wolf (8:00 AM) Mark & Chris Rindfleisch, John & Carol Stearns, Adam Marley (10:30 AM)

Worship Notes

- Henry John Patrick Stolzman, son of Patrick and Natalie Stolzman, nee Hartman, will be baptized in the 10:30 AM service on Sunday. Serving as sponsors are Rebecca David and Kaitlyn Pufahl.
- The altar flowers are placed by Dan and Sue Eick in celebration of their 33rd wedding anniversary and in thanks for blessings received.
- The flowers placed in the standards are given by Brian and Brenda Denk in celebration of their 19th wedding anniversary and in thanks for blessings received.

In Our Prayers

- Joy Schnell, hospitalized at Froedtert.
- Sue Pappalardo, convalescing at Sacred Heart Rehabilitation Hospital.

Personal Prayer for Before Communion

Merciful Lord, I come here to your table trusting in your measureless grace and not in my own goodness. Even though I am not worthy to eat the crumbs under your table, you are always rich in mercy. Gracious Lord, grant pardon and peace through the body and blood of this sacrament. Amen.

Personal Prayer for After Communion

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

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Readings for the Week

M	Matthew 10:1-10.....	1 Kings 18:21-40
T	Matthew 10:11-15.....	1 Samuel 5:1-5
W	Matthew 10:16-23.....	Hebrews 3:1-6
TH	Matthew 10:24-31.....	1 Corinthians 1:10-17
F	Matthew 10:32-39.....	1 Corinthians 3:11-15
S	Matthew 10:40-42.....	1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Sunday Bible Classes

A new large group Sunday Bible class begins **today** at 9:15 AM.

A staffed nursery is available during Bible class.

To the Ends of the Earth

Taught by Pastor Joel Leyrer in the Fellowship Hall

We live in an increasingly global and multicultural world. So did the apostle Paul, and his example is helpful for us as his modern day counterparts. Incorporating portions of the new WELS video production “To the Ends of the Earth” into each session, this Bible class explores Paul’s life and missionary experiences, especially in Philippi. His approach and witness to people of various cultures and backgrounds provide us with insights and courage for our role as God’s 21st century missionaries.

The Wonders of God – Bible Information Class

Taught by the Pastoral Staff in the St. Matthew’s Room

This course provides a general overview of the Bible, touches upon every major Christian doctrine, and supplies a solid understanding of what we confess and believe as a confessional Lutheran Church. Since it provides the foundation for a deeper relationship with God, we encourage both members and non-members to attend.

