



Luke 10:3,4

Go on your way
carry no purse,
no bag,
no sandals

St. John Lutheran Church

July 5 & 6, 2025

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4th Sunday After Pentecost July 5 & 6, 2025

WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS

We welcome you as we gather together to worship our Lord. We pray that you are fed by the richness of His Word and strengthened in this fellowship that you might continue to seek His will for your life. If you are visiting, we are glad that you are with us today. We hope that you will join us again to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

“Restoring A Nation!”

CELL PHONES, A GENTLE REMINDER: As a number of us have discovered, cell phones can often ring at the most inappropriate times. If you have your cell phone or pager with you during the Lord’s service, please take a moment to ensure that it is turned off or on silent mode in order not to disrupt the service Thank You.

PRAYER TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP: Almighty and gracious Lord, prepare my heart to hear Your Word today. Allow me to see the glory You have revealed before me. May I receive Your Word and make it part of my life. Help me also to live according to it so that others may see Your presence in my life. This I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

It is the Fourth of July weekend, a time of remembering and celebrating our independence from all foreign powers but God. However, 249 years of spiritual attacks have made the Biblical Christian a minority. Be thankful for what we still have and lift up your voice of faith to restore what has been lost. If it is to happen, it must begin with godly citizens.

Prelude & Welcome

Opening Hymn.....# 905

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

Order Of Worship.....Page 203

Introit.....Psalm 19:2, 4-6

Pastor: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims His handiwork.

People: 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.

Pastor: 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.

People: 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.

The Kyrie.....Page 204

Gloria In Excelsis.....Page 204

Prayer Of The Day

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. This we pray through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament.....Isaiah 66:10–14

“Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her, rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; ¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance.” ¹²For 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. ¹³As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. ¹⁴You 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.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Responsive PsalmPsalm 66:1-7

Pastor: Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!

People: **Say to God, “How awesome are Your deeds! So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing to You.**

Pastor: All the earth worships You and sings praises to You; they sing praises to Your name.”

People: **Come and see what God has done: He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.**

Pastor: He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There did we rejoice in Him,

People: **Who rules by His might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations—let not the rebellious exalt themselves.**

Epistle Lesson.....Galatians 6:1–10, 14–18

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. ²Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵For each will have to bear his own load. ⁶One who is taught the Word must share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸For 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. ⁹And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. . . .¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. ¹⁶And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. ¹⁷From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. ¹⁸The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia And Verse.....Page 205

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 10th chapter, beginning with the 1st verse.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Gospel Lesson..... Luke 10:1–20

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. ²And 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. ³Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’ ⁶And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. ⁷And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹Heal the sick in it and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ¹⁰But 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.’ ¹²I 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. ¹⁴But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵And 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.” ¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name!” ¹⁸And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed.....Page 206

Children’s Message

Sermon Hymn.....# 506

“Glory Be To God The Father”

Sermon

The Gathering Of Our Tithes And Offerings

Offertory.....Page 805

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayers Of The Church & The Lord’s Prayer

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Agnus Dei.....Page 210

Distribution

Distribution Hymns

“Open Now Thy Gates Of Beauty” # 901

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” # 981

The Post-Communion Collect

Closing Hymn.....# 966 vs. 1-4

“Before You Lord, We Bow”

Postlude



The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Tom & Christine Armstrong in honor of Christine’s birthday. We wish God’s richest blessings on Tom & Christine.

Life Thoughts In The Church Year: The Maker of heaven and earth has the nature of fatherhood and sonship. Begetting and parenting belongs to His distinctive and eternal character. No greater wisdom, insight, or answer exists for any circumstance of humankind—surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis included—than the goodness of delighting in children and parents—embryo, elderly, or otherwise—and submitting ourselves to their welfare.

Life Quotes: “As you walk the path of life with your neighbor, learn and celebrate the depth and breadth of the infinite worth of their life—whether they are preborn, homeless, destitute, dying, friend, or foe. Learn, through the trials set before you and the sacrifices you make to improve the life of your neighbor, the awesome worth of life. Life is sacred. Every life matters.”

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).



Altar Flowers: The flower chart for 2025 is up and waiting on you to reserve your special day! If you would like to place flowers on the altar for an Anniversary, Birthday, Memorial or other special occasion, please remember to sign the “Flower Chart” when it is put up. Please sign your name and the special occasion. The cost is \$75.00 for both arrangements. It is permissible to have more than one person sign up for a Sunday and split the cost. You can also call the office at 580-353-0556 and Sandra will sign you up



Lutheran Women *in Mission*

Thank You

We are grateful to the numerous saints of St. John for their participation and generous donations to the Southwest Oklahoma Pregnancy Resource Center Walk for Life. Their contributions totaled over \$1,600, making a significant impact on this worthwhile cause. Thank you once again!

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Please note for security reasons if you come into the church from the north door or the kitchen and there are people in the office please make them feel safe and announce yourself.



Announcements! In order to ensure that announcements are included in the weekly bulletin please have them into the office by Thursday at 1 p.m. We want to help you get the word out. Our office hours are Monday – Friday 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. with an hour lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Help Us Update Our Prayer List. We know things change over time. Help us to keep our prayer list up to date. If those we have been praying for are recovered to the point they may be taken off the list, please let us know. Thank you.



† **St. John Lutheran Prayer List** †

Health Concerns

+Lori Anderson	+Chuck Martin
+Lowell Ambrose	+Craig McDonald
+Amy Armstrong	+Alice Mills
+Richard Armstrong	+Martha Mindemann-Nunn
+Larry Baas	+Amy Moeller
+Lindel Bevill	+Barbara Moore
+Laura Craig	+Melody Morris
+Bobby Curry	+Jay Payne
+Virgil Dinse	+Christopher Penton
+Doug Dunnick	+Rose Penton
+Jade Ellis	+Lynette Ranz
+Patty Erickson	+Ron Ramming
+Ruth Farrelly	+John Selk
+Denise Garrison	+Slade Slater
+Ronnie Gibson	+David Spear
+Mike Green	+Matthew Streit
+Avery Hall	+David Stroud
+Christine Hopper	+Tina Styron
+Judy Huffman	+Linda Toy
+Paula Hughes	+Dr. James Toy
+Sarah Jones	+Chuck Yackeyonny
+Christine Kinard	+Grace Vincent
+Davis Lander	+Sandra Ward
+Greg Lord	+Juanita Zacharias

The Payne's & Tanzania Ministry

The Steffenson's & Italy Ministry

Our Homebound Members

Military

+Jake Czelusniak
 +Joshua Darling
 +Chaplain Robert Kraft & Family
 +Anthony Payne
 +Austin Payne
 +Jonathen Van Bebber
 +Drew Ward

Seminary

+Michael Wilke



Memory Verse Challenge: The church confesses to Christ, “You have the words of eternal life” (John 6:68). The church is encouraged to “Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly ...” (Colossians 3:16). Psalm 1 teaches us to meditate on God’s Word day and night. It is our great opportunity and joy to read and study God’s Word. One beneficial practice is to memorize the Scriptures and, in so doing, to meditate on it. The LCMS invites everyone to join together memorizing a verse together each week. You can also find the Memory Verse for the week on the St. John website Homepage. **This week’s memory verse:**

MEMORY VERSE

SPEAK TO ALL THE
CONGREGATION OF THE
PEOPLE OF ISRAEL AND SAY
TO THEM, YOU SHALL
BE HOLY, FOR I THE LORD
YOUR GOD AM HOLY.

LEVITICUS 19:2



SERVING THE LORD

WORSHIP SERVICES:

Saturday

6:00 p.m.

Sunday

10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL and BIBLE STUDY:

9:30 a.m.

Communion is celebrated on 1st & 3rd weekends of each month.

ELDER FOR THE MONTH:

Mike Dodds

SATURDAY NIGHT ELDER:

John Selk

ALTAR GUILD:

Sandra Harr

TRUSTEE FOR THE MONTH:

Phil Fritsch

COUNTERS:

Mike & Kim Dodds

ORGANISTS:

Saturday: Elaine Boatsman

Sunday: Sharon Greene

June 28, 2025 Attendance14

June 29, 2025 Attendance77

Needed weekly to meet budget.....\$5,600

WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS

The Church is a living organism made up of all its members. Each member has a vital role to fulfill within the body of the Church. The Lord has brought the members of the Church body together for the purpose of ministry. That ministry is diverse and is only able to be completed when every portion of the body participates and fulfills the role God has established for them. YOU are an important member of the Church, which is the body of Christ. If YOU don't do your part, who will?



The Lutheran Hour can be heard every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. on K-LAW 101.3 FM. You can also download The Lutheran Hour app for free and listen anytime, anywhere. Find it on the Apple app store, the Amazon Kindle Fire and on Google Play. Or simply listen on your desktop, tablet or smartphone at lutheranhour.org.

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Mission Statement

**To seek the lost, nurture the faithful, and show
compassion to all as we shine the light of
Christ!**

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