

24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2020

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Sermon Text: Matthew 25:14-30

Sermon Title: "God's Return"

Hymns: 783, 827, 922

Divine Service: Setting 3, pg. 184



Introit Ps. 143:2, 5-6, 10-11; antiphon: Ps. 143:1

P.: Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy! In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

C.: Enter not into judgment with your servant, for no one living is righteous before you.

P.: I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that you have done; I ponder the work of your hands.

C.: I stretch out my hands to you; my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.

P.: Teach me to do your will, for you are my God! Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!

C.: For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life! In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!

ALL SING "Glory be to the Father..." (pg. 186)

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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today	9:00am 10:00am	Sunday School/Bible Study Worship
Wednesday	7:00pm	Confirmation and Youth Group
Sunday	9:00am 10:00am	Sunday School/Bible Study Worship

LAST WEEK...The offering for November 8, 2020 included general expenses of \$1,908.29. There was \$40.00 for missions, \$325.00 for Lanka Lutheran Missions, \$235.00 for the Church Basement/Sunday School Classroom and \$25.00 for Madagascar Mission. The total deposit was \$2,533.29.

MISSIONS UPDATES...During the month of November, Ariel Dolmos-Jones (Nicaragua), Delwin Mahn (Sri Lanka), and Kris and Ali Holien (Madagascar) will be giving updates on missions. Next week Kris & Ali Holien will be sharing what's happening in Madagascar!

CHURCH COUNCIL Meeting after church today.

THANK YOU ... Thank you to Roland Johnston for his technology support week in and week out. Your work is greatly appreciated!

150TH COMMITTEE MEETING ...is meeting next week after church on Sunday, November 22, 2020.

HARVEST BANK MATCHING PROGRAM ... From November 20-Dec 31st, the bank will match 25% of donations to featured charities, including St. John Lutheran Church. Link to <https://harvestbankmn.goodcoins.io/causes/3837088> to donate. Any funds raised will be sent after the conclusion of the campaign.

ISSUES, ETC. ... This week's teachings include: Church Paraments & Vestments, Original Sin, The Passover, The Lord's Supper and more. You can listen on-demand at www.issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

WATCH FOR...The "Shut-Ins" Angel tree will be appearing in the entryway soon as well as the Youth Group's fundraiser gift exchange fundraiser. Check out your November newsletter for more information. Let's make the holiday season extra special and have a boost of Christmas cheer.

*Deadline for bulletin or newsletter announcements is 12pm Thursdays.
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