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### **TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8/20/23**

**WELCOME** in the name of our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you worship with us this morning. Visitors are invited to sign our guest book at the church entrance.

Sermon: "A Savior for All People," Mattheew 15:21-28

St. Luke's, 8:30 a.m.

P. 5 Hymns: 511; 459; 245; 457

St. John's, 10:00 a.m.

LSB 203-212 Hymns: 831; 779; (618, 770, 411, 571); 922

**ATTENDANCE:** (M) 79 (C) 24 Sunday School: 9 Adult Bible Classes: Sunday: 4 Weekday: 12

**REGULAR ENVELOPE COLLECTION** at St. John's this morning.

**ENVELOPE COLLECTION** at St. John's next Saturday/Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>, is for Missionary Jason Stephenson & family. Use My Offering Envelope. All money not in an envelope will go to the home budget.

**COLLECTION FOR SAVERS DRIVE** is officially scheduled for August 1-October 1 in T-SJ Gym. Loading should take place Thursday, Oct. 5. Delivery will be 10 a.m. on October 7. Soft goods (clothing, shoes, purses, bedding, etc.) should be in 13 gallon bags. Questions: Contact Janice Lange @ 618-314-0691.

**AN ACOLYTE MEETING** will be held after the service this morning.

**CONGRATULATIONS & GOD 'S BLESSINGS** to Eric and Kimberly Hartman Hemminghaus who were united in Holy Matrimony yesterday afternoon here at St. John's. May the Lord ever be their guide as they walk the path of life together.

**THE MURAL** to honor the memory of Mrs. Debra Lange, our beloved teacher and friend is done! It was hung in the cafeteria at Trinity-St. John School in thanksgiving to God for her love for children and commitment for Lutheran education. We have raised about 2/3 of the \$3500 needed. If you would like to help support this effort, please send checks to T-SJ 680 W Walnut, Nashville, IL 62263. Please write "Deb Lange Mural" on the memo line. We would love to have it hung before school starts! Thank you for your generous support!

**HOLY COMMUNION** will be celebrated at St. John's Saturday evening, August 26<sup>th</sup>. PLEASE NOTE: The distribution will go back to the pre-COVID guidelines. Communicants will come up a table at a time. Pastor will not mask or wear gloves.

**ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN** will sing in the service next Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>.

- Francis Renth, Stanley's mother, turned 95  
on Thursday

**PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF Aug 20<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:**

**Kristal & Rhett**, daughter-in-law and grandson of Kathy Redeker. Rhett is hospitalized in Colorado after a premature birth

**Lisa**, daughter of Kathy Redeker, awaiting cancer surgery in the state of Washington

**Lorna Kottmeyer (C)** dealing with health problems

**Allen Martin** recuperating at home from by-pass surgery

**Amanda Garrison**—daughter-in-law of Rosalie Rice—has health issues

**Danny Brinkmann** at St. Elizabeth's Hospital; has begun kidney dialysis

**Stanley Renth** home awaiting chemotherapy

**Tom Anderson**—friend of the Hausler's—health issues

**Wayne & Lola Wessel**—in need of your prayers

**Sara Leinberger**—friend of Judy Vogt—ongoing health problems

**THOSE RECEIVING TREATMENTS/OTHER SERIOUS AILMENTS:**

**Rosemary Miller**—sister of Howard Weihe—starting new experimental drug

**Duane Miller**—brother-in-law of Howard Weihe—diagnosed with pancreatic cancer—holding his own

**Amie Evans**--sister-in-law of Jesse Krawiecki—diagnosed with cancer

**MISSION PRAYERS:**

- LCMS World Missions
- Ministry to inactive members.
- Missionary Micah Wildauer & Family serving in Belize, our Sunday School
- Mission Project
- Centralia Correctional Center

**We Remember:**

-St. Salvator, Venedy, and Olive Branch as they prepare to call a pastor again

**We Remember:**

The People of Ukraine

The people suffering from the earthquakes, tornadoes, fires, etc.

**Congratulations & God's Blessings to:**

**Eric & Kimberly Hemminghaus** married Saturday

**In Sympathy With:**

The Family of **Gayle Klitzing**—friend of Ray & Eunice Hausler—who departed this life on Thursday, August 17th

**BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS:** Robert Schneider (C), Lila Luttrell (C), & Gabriel Garrison 8-20; Jarrett Jack, Dorothy Lange & Keely Washam 8-21; Rosalie Rice, Heather Agnew & Chris Meier 8-23; Wesley & Nikita Eddington 8-25; Karen Berry & Joyce Boester 8-26

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:** Clint & Jenny Dunn 8-21; Roger & Brenda Vogt 8-23; Jesse & Kerri Krawiecki 8-25

**THE 20TH ANNUAL** Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School Tee Off Golf Scramble will be held Sunday, September 17, at Greenview Golf Course in Centralia. Registration begins at 12:00 p.m. with Shotgun Start at 1:00 p.m. You can be a golfer (\$100 per person or \$400 for a team) or a sponsor. Hole Sponsor - \$100, Dinner Sponsor - \$300, Event Sponsor - \$650. To sponsor or sign up please contact Dan Kueper at (618) 226-3315.

**CHRIST OUR ROCK LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL** is celebrating its 20th year and the **Sterling Evening Dinner & Auction** will take place on **Saturday, October 21, 2023**, with the theme, Start Up to Stand Out! Mark your calendar for this event and if you are willing to donate items, please contact Dan Kueper at (618) 226-3315.

**LWML/SID FALL RETREAT** "Peace for my Soul--now and forever!" September 30, 2023, at Mariner's Village Resort in Carlyle. Registration 9 a.m. In-gathering of personal size, personal care items for the Blessing Box in Pinckneyville and Matthew 25 in Carlyle. Registration fee \$15. See flyer on bulletin board.

**THEOLOGICAL BOOKS FOR UGANDA**—Pastor Mueller and his son Jacob will be traveling to Uganda (Africa) Jan 25-Feb 11 to teach at the Lutheran Theological College of Uganda. Between Holy Cross, Emma, and St. John's, New Minden, we have already funded 25 copies of the *Lutheran Study Bible* for seminary students there. Thanks to all who have contributed! Now we are working on the purchase of copies of *Concordia – The Lutheran Confessions A Reader's Edition of The Book of Concord*. This book contains the documents (such as the Augsburg Confession, Small and Large Catechism, Formula of Concord) according to which every Lutheran pastor pledges to preach and teach, because they accurately lay out the teachings of the Bible. If God leads you to participate, please give the money directly to Pastor Mueller. Checks can be made out to "Holy Cross Lutheran Church" (where Jacob serves) with "Uganda Books" in the memo line.

**DAILY 15-MINUTE BIBLE STUDY**... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon will be leading a study this week on The Macedonian Call; The Conversion of Lydia; Paul and Silas in Prison and The Philippian Jailer Converted in Acts 15 and 16. You can listen at your convenience at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

**FINANCE BOARD REPORT FOR JULY:** Home--\$26,049.30; Missions--\$1,440.00; Basement Rental--\$35.00; Olive Branch Bulletins--\$325.71; Covington Pastor, bulletins, organists--\$2,887.16; Lutheran Translator--\$360.00; Radio Broadcast--\$100.00; Received from SID for Correctional Center--\$850.00; Historical Society--\$694.00; Ablelight (Bethesda)--\$305.00

**BIBLES FOR SECOND GRADERS:** We are in need of "Growing in Faith" Bibles which we give to the children in the second grade on their baptismal birthday. The cost is \$32.99. Anyone who desires to pay for one or more Bibles, please contact LuAnn.

**OFFERING NEXT SATURDAY/SUNDAY, AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup>/27<sup>TH</sup> (M)** is for Pastor Jason and Anna Marie Stephenson LCMS Theological Educator in Tanzania. (This is one of the mission projects approved at the April Voters' Meeting.) You might remember that Jason vicared at Trinity, Hoffman, a few years ago. We had him on our prayer list for a long time when he suffered from a head injury. After graduating, he served a dual parish in Oklahoma from 2019-2022. Anna Marie grew up in the Middle East on the mission field. Pastor Jason is learning Swahili so that he can help teach in that language at the new Lutheran seminary in Tanzania. (Jason is a gifted linguist.) For a long time the Lutheran church there has been requesting that the LCMS send them a professor to help train their pastors. Finally, here is someone willing and able to go! It costs about \$150,000 annually to send and maintain a missionary family in the field in that country—with all the transportation, education costs, medical evacuation insurance, etc. We have committed to provide \$1000 this year. This will be paid out of next Saturday's/Sunday's offering, supplemented by the "Mission Projects Fund" as needed.

St. John Lutheran Church, New Minden  
Quarterly Voter's Meeting-July 27, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Larry Sachtleben in the absence of Chairman Dean Sprehe with 26 members present. Pastor Mueller began the meeting with opening devotion from Mathew Chapter 13 and prayer. Motion made, seconded and approved Larry Sachtleben acting Chairman. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved with one correction as read.

**New Member:** Motion made, seconded and approved Melanie Cooper as a voting member.

**School Board:** Clint Dunn shared the following.

- Principal Call process continues; looking at the possibility of 2 previous Lutheran educators to fulfill Principal duties.
- New freezer installed.
- Playground 95 % complete.
- First day of attendance is August 15,2023
- Workdays at T-SJ August 1, 3, 8, & 10 from 4 – 8 p.m.
- Hired 5 new staff members.
- Pre-K (3- and 4-year-olds) meetings scheduled. Teachers continue to prepare for classes.

Motion made, seconded, and approved to accept the principal's report.

**School Treasurer's Report:** In the absence of school treasurer Martha Polczynski, Mark Sachtleben presented the T-SJ school treasurer's report showing a negative balance of \$-10,868.45. With the addition of new staff, the budget is tight. Motion made, seconded, and approved the adjustment to the T-SJ budget due to TSJ salary changes. Monthly payment increased \$1876.43; from \$12,058.86 to \$13,935.29. It is expected to correct itself with tuition payments. Motion made, seconded, and approved to accept the School Treasurer's report.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Andi Hoffman reported \$12,729.23 General account budget deficit and \$2290 synod budget deficit. The first quarter checking account balance is \$20,010.69. Endowment funds have been invested. Motion made, seconded, and approved the Treasurer's report.

**Finance Board:** Nothing to report.

**Elder's Report /Pastor's Report:** The radio bible study will need donors soon. 'Christ Our Song Lutheran School of Music' has 2 individuals to help: Pastor Eichhorn and Mike Trinklein. Saturday evening Communion distribution will go back to pre-COVID guidelines. Pastor Hans Trinklein may no longer need Missionary funds; we are awaiting further information. Jill Witte has been granted permission to have a blood drive. It will be August 23 from 2 – 6 p.m. in the schoolhouse basement. Pastor Mueller thanked the Members of the school board for their diligence in dealing with the staffing challenges at T-SJ. Prison Ministry is going well. Mural for Debra Lange is complete. Some donations are still needed to cover the \$3500 cost. She served at T-SJ for 31 years. Terry Lange offered monies from the Debra Lange Memorial to cover the remaining cost if not collected. Motion made, seconded, and approved the purchase of a bookshelf and small library of books to be placed under the pavilion near the basketball courts in memory of Deb Lange.. GriefShare is going well. New GriefShare videos will be purchased using a Thrivent community impact grant gift card. Since the Thrivent card will not cover the whole amount, Becky Brinkmann approved monies from the Zach Brinkmann Memorial fund. Motion made, seconded, and approved. Pastor Mueller is looking for donations to cover the cost of 25 copies of the *Lutheran Study Bible* to be taken on a Mission trip to Uganda. If

more than is needed is collected, the extra funds will be used in some other way to support the work of training pastors in Uganda. Pastor Mueller requested a *Release of Duty* for 18 days (January 25 – February 11, 2024). Pastor Benning will cover classes @ T-SJ; Pastor Wollenberg will cover church emergencies; and Pastor Lukowski will cover church services (3). Motion made, seconded, and approved per the Elders recommendation.

Second quarter statistics: Baptized members 355, Communicant members 290, Sunday service 94, Saturday service 16, Weekend 91, Sunday School 9, Sunday adult Bible Class 12, 159 communed at least once, one baptism (Hudson Schnitker. Motion made, seconded, and approved Pastor Mueller's report.

**Trustees:** Nothing to report.

**Cemetery Committee:** Nothing to report.

**Scholarship Treasurer's Report:** Motion made, seconded, and approved to give 3 students \$1,000 each (Ethan Boester, Adam Hiles and John Trinklein) per the recommendation of Barb Maschhoff, Treasurer. Guidance for future distributions to be discussed later.

**Old Business:** Historical society is having Ameren install a light pole near the refurbished church building.

**New Business:** After discussing the Fall Festival, motion made, seconded, and approved to continue to participate (September 29 & 30, 2023). Robert Langrehr volunteered to coordinate and Terry Lange offered to find workers. Pastor Mueller offered to place a sign-up sheet in the church hallway for potential helpers to pick corn. Motion made, seconded, and approved the donation of \$2500 from the Good Samaritan fund to the LERT (Lutheran Emergency Response Team).

Motion made, seconded and approved to adjourn. The meeting closed with "The Lord's Prayer".

Robin Rhine  
Acting secretary

**The 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 20, 2023 + 10:00 a.m.**

St. John's Lutheran Church, New Minden, Illinois  
*Lutheran Service Book—Divine Service, Setting Four*

*THE LORD'S SUPPER IS CELEBRATED today at St. John's in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but also 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 in His words, repent of 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 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 St. John's and the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament here, **are asked first to speak with the Pastor.** (See Matthew 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.)*

*For the proper accounting of souls, we ask all communicants to sign the Communion Register.*

**HYMN:** " 'How Shall They Hear,' Who Have Not Heard"

*LSB 831*

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*LSB 203*

**PSALM:** Psalm 67 *spoken responsively*

*LSB 67*

**KYRIE**

*LSB 204*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

*LSB 204*



## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT

*Isaiah 56:1, 6-8*

P: <sup>1</sup> Thus says the Lord:

“Keep justice, and do righteousness,  
for soon my salvation will come,  
and my deliverance be revealed. . .

<sup>6</sup> “And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord,  
and to be his servants,  
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,  
and holds fast my covenant—

<sup>7</sup> these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;  
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;  
for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.”

<sup>8</sup> The Lord God,  
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,  
“I will gather yet others to him  
besides those already gathered.”

P: This is the word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

*Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32*

P: <sup>1</sup> I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup> God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. . . .

<sup>13</sup> Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry <sup>14</sup> in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. <sup>15</sup> For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? . . .

<sup>28</sup> As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. <sup>29</sup> For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

P: This is the word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA and VERSE

*LSB 205*

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 15:21-28*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

P: <sup>21</sup> And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” <sup>24</sup> He

answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup> And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup> She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**NICENE CREED**

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**HYMN:** "Come, My Soul, with Every Care"

*LSB 779*

**SERMON:** "A Savior for All People" *Matthew 15:21-28*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**OFFERING**

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

*LSB 208-212*

*During the Distribution, we will sing the following hymns, as time allows:*

"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" *LSB 618*

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" *LSB 770*

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" *LSB 411*

"God Loved the World So That He Gave" *LSB 571*

**CLOSING HYMN:** "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

*LSB 922*

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**This Week :Aug 20<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Today 8:00 a.m. The Lutheran Hour on KSIV 91.5 FM  
Mite Box Collection After Service  
Acolyte Meeting After Service  
12:30 & 5:00 p.m. KFUE

Monday 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

Tuesday 10:30-3:00 p.m. Pastors' Conference at Immanuel,  
Okawville  
6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday 2-6:00 p.m. Blood Drive in Schoolhouse Basement  
6:00 p.m. Weekday Religion

Thursday 8:30 a.m. Pastor at CCC

Saturday 6:30 p.m. Worship at NM w/HC

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Worship at St. Luke's  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class  
9:00 a.m. St. John's Bible Study on WNSV 104.7  
10:00 a.m. Rally Day Worship at NM  
Sunday School Children Sing  
Consecration of Sunday School Teachers  
10:30 a.m. "Worship Anew" on DIRECT TV 377  
and Channel 18 on Cable TV