

St. John Lutheran Church, New Minden, Illinois
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20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10/25/23

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: "Listen, God Is Calling," Matthew 22:1-14

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

P. 5 Hymns: 279; 609; 436; 568

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

LSB 203-212 Hymns: 915; 516; (636, vv 1-4; 733; 710;

636 vv 5-8); 785

MUSIC: St. John's Sunday School children will play "Friends" and "Blessed Assurance" on the bells in this morning's service.

ATTENDANCE: (M) 62 (C) 19 Sunday School: 8 Adult Bible Classes: Sunday: 2 Weekday: 13

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

ENVELOPE COLLECTION at St. John's next Sunday, October 22nd, is for Missions. All money not in an envelope will go to the home budget.

ST. LUKE'S QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING is scheduled for Thursday, October 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at New Minden.

ST. JOHN'S QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING will be held Thursday, October 26th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

BIDS are now being solicited for church janitor, school janitor and cemetery caretaker. If interested, give bid to Chairman Dean Sprehe or one of the trustees, Roger Vogt, Jeff Hoffman, Gary Maschhoff or Mark Meinert before the voters meeting October 26th.

THANK YOU: "I would like to thank everyone for their cards, calls, visits and prayers. Your continued prayers will be very much appreciated." Stanley Renth

THANK YOU to everyone who donated to T-SJ's soft goods drive. We delivered 5240 pounds of soft goods which should net our school a little over \$1000! Special thanks to Paul Piasecki for loaning us his trailer, Marion Setzekorn for driving and unloading, and Rick Schwartzkopf and Steve Lange for unloading. God bless you all!

SAVE THE DATE: The 13th Annual Okawville Music Festival is scheduled for Sunday, November 12th, at 3:00 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

AN OFFICERS' AGENDA MEETING will be held after the service this morning in the Fellowship Hall.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF October 15th-21st, 2023

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

Corrina Rose Stevenson, daughter of Jon and Amanda Stevenson (C), at Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis, IN

Larry Brinkmann now home under the care at SLU for liver cancer

Gene Knolhoff at Fireside Nursing Home for Rehab

Bob Jack diagnosed with prostate cancer

Lisa, daughter of Cathy Redeker, doing well after surgery

Jacob Martin (C)—recuperating from surgery

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

Danny Brinkmann on kidney dialysis

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

Wayne & Lola Wessel—in need of prayers

Sara Leinberger—friend of Judy Vogt—ongoing health problems

THOSE RECEIVING TREATMENTS/OTHER SERIOUS AILMENTS:

Stanley Renth started chemotherapy

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. We give thanks that she received a good cat scan report.

Rev. G. Robert Heimgartner—retired in Texico, IL—chemotherapy

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF October 15-19, 2021

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 and Israel

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

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Darleen Brinkmann, Jack Kroeger & Carol Lieb (C) 10-17; Logan Boester 10-19; Logan Gill, Cassandra & Bianca Loyola 10-21

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Mike & Sarah Davis and Stanley & Nancy Renth 10-16; Josh & Courtney Ibendahl 10-17; John & Stephany Kroeger 10-19

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.

CHRIST OUR ROCK OPEN HOUSE: Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School's First Open House for prospective students is scheduled for Wednesday, October 25, with tours from 6:30-8:00. That evening families will be able to visit the school, tour the facilities, and talk with current students, parents, and teachers. Come see how Christ Our Rock can serve your family. This event is open to all prospective students and families. Transfer students and potential freshman are encouraged to attend. Interested families not able to attend can contact the school office at 226-3315 to receive an information packet and set an appointment to visit the school.

FINANCE BOARD REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER: Home--\$10,003.15; Missions--\$995.00; Building Fund--\$497.00; Schoolhouse Basement Rental--\$30.00; Commitment for Christ Our Rock--\$5,000.00 for home budget (in memory of Gene Meentemeyer); Deb Lange Memorial--\$20.00; In honor of Bob & Phyllis Jack 50th anniversary--\$50.00; Fall Festival--\$100.00; Kroger's--\$50.99; Sunday School--\$78.25; Worship Anew--\$375.00

FINDING JESUS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT... Do you have a difficult time reading the Old Testament? The key to understanding the Old Testament is to find Jesus. Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, recently interviewed Dr. Reed Lessing and Dr. Andrew Steinmann, co-authors of the new book "The Messianic Message." You can listen to this multi-part series at issuesetc.org/findingjesus.

RADIO SPONSORS NEEDED: If you would like to sponsor a Sunday morning Bible Study on V-104-7, please see the sign-up sheet (with instructions) on the table by the restrooms.

SAVE THE DATE: The 13th Annual Okawville Music Festival is scheduled for Sunday, November 12th, at 3:00 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

ALL SAINTS DAY will be celebrated Sunday, November 5th. We will have a prayer of thanks for God's blessings upon those who have gone home to heaven in the past year. The names of all those members who have departed will be read, and we invite members of St. John's and St. Luke's to submit the names of dear Christian friends and relatives who died in the faith between November 2, 2022, and October 31, 2023, who were not members of St. John's or St. Luke's. Please give these names and the date of death to LuAnn Sprehe no later than November 1st so that we may include their names in the prayer as well.

SEMINARY FOOD BANK COLLECTION: St. John's LWML is sponsoring a collection for Concordia Seminary students and their families throughout the month of October. Nonperishable food items and personal hygiene products are solicited. See the boxes in the Fellowship Hall.

The 20th Sunday after Pentecost + October 15, 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: "Today Your Mercy Calls Us" *LSB 915*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *LSB 203*

PSALM: Psalm 23 *spoken responsively* *LSB 23*

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 God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your 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 25:6-9

P: ⁶On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.
⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations.
⁸He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.
⁹It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

P: This is the word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC BY SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN:

“Friends” and “Blessed Assurance” *on the bells*

EPISTLE

Philippians 4:4-13

P: ⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed

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concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

P: This is the word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA and VERSE

LSB 205

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22nd chapter.

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

P: ¹And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he

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said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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HYMN: "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" *LSB 516*

SERMON: "Listen, God Is Calling" *Matthew 22:1-14*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB 208-212

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

"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" *sts1-4 LSB 636*

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past" *LSB 733*

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" *LSB 710*

"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" *sts5-8 LSB 636*

CLOSING HYMN: "We Praise You, O God" *LSB 785*

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This Week : Oct 15th-22nd, 2023

Today 8:00 a.m. The Lutheran Hour on KSIV 91.5 FM
Officers' Agenda Mtg After Service in FH
12:30 & 5:00 p.m. KFUO

Monday 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. BOCE (Budget Meeting)
6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Weekday Religion

Thursday 8:30 a.m. Pastor at CCC
6:30 p.m. Voters' Mtg (C) in FH

Saturday 9-1:00 p.m. Christ Our Song Lessons in FH
Sterling Dinner Auction at CORLHHS
NO Worship at NM

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. Worship at NM
10:30 a.m. "Worship Anew" on DIRECT TV 377
and Channel 18 on Cable TV