

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 20-21, 2022



Meet the prophet Isaiah. The name Isaiah has the same meaning in the Hebrew language as the names Joshua, Hosea, and Jesus: the Lord is the One who saves. Isaiah's father's name was Amoz. His wife was known as the Prophetess. They had at least two children, to whom they gave long, meaningful names. Isaiah served God as a prophet, a spokesperson, for a whole lifetime. An ancient tradition says that in his old age Isaiah met a violent death, as did most of God's prophets, by being sawed in two. In his long career as prophet Isaiah spoke for God to the people of Israel and to the nations who were Israel's neighbors. He drew attention to idolatry, sin, wickedness, and injustice, and to the punishment that would surely follow. He said, "Repent, return to the Lord." Isaiah also preached Good News of the coming Savior, whom God would send. Centuries before it came to pass, Isaiah told about the Savior's birth, ministry, suffering, death, and burial. Isaiah not only preached but also wrote down the Word of God that was given to him. The Book of Isaiah was divided into 66 chapters and fills about 75 pages in the English Bible. When we sing hymns such as "Holy, Holy, Holy" (LW 168), "Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel" (LW 31), and "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted", we are echoing words and themes from Isaiah. In today's text the Lord, through Isaiah, is telling us about God's plan to save the world. In the Old Testament God chose the people of Israel as His special, beloved people. They were to become the nation into which the world's Savior would be born. But His love for the nations is no less than His love for Israel. In Genesis God said to the patriarch Abraham: "In you and in your descendants, all the nations of the world will be blessed." God wants everyone, everywhere, to repent, turn away from sin, and come back to Him. And that's the central thought in our text from Isaiah today: "Everyone! To the Lord!" For with Him there is mercy; there is forgiveness. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool" (Is 1:18).

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Equipping the family of God to joyfully and boldly make disciples of Christ as we

KNOW Jesus and one another, **GROW** to be more like Him and

SOW His love in Word and deed.



Saturday 6 p.m. & Sunday 9 a.m. Traditional Worship Services

Divine Service Setting Four - LSB pg. 203

Dale Scheiderer – Organist

“Gathered to His Word, Going to the World” - Isaiah 66:18-23

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PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

RINGING OF THE BELLS

HYMN OF INVOCATION

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

LSB 791

INVOCATION

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION - LSB 203

(Sun. 9 a.m.) **WORSHIP PRESENTATION** by the SJLC First Review,

“I Asked the Lord to Comfort Me”

(Sun. 9 a.m.) **COMMISSIONING of the St. John's Lutheran Church & School Teaching Staff & Sunday School**

SERVICE OF THE WORD - LSB 204

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 205

[Today's Bible readings found on page 12 of this worship program]

OLD TESTAMENT READING: *Isaiah 66:18-23*

EPISTLE READING: *Hebrews 12:4-24*

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 205

HOLY GOSPEL: *Luke 13:22-30*

NICENE CREED

LSB 206

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and

was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON MESSAGE: “Gathered to His Word, Going to the World” - *Isaiah 66:18-23*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERINGS OF OUR TIME, TALENTS & TREASURES

“Lord, we are yours. This represents our heart, our attitude, our spirit, and our willingness to recognize and submit to you as our Lord.”



SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT - LSB 208

PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION *[as found on page 11 of this worship program]*

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Sunday 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service

Steve Bumgarner – Accompanist

“Gathered to His Word, Going to the World” - Isaiah 66:18-23

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Pre-Service Music

Invocation

Opening Song:

“Shout To The Lord”

My Jesus my Savior, Lord there is none like You!
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love!
My comfort my Shelter, tower of refuge and strength!
Let every breath all that I am never cease to worship You!

Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing!
Power and majesty, praise to the King!
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You!

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Opening Prayer / Theme Introduction

Time of Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Heavenly Father, I confess that I have sinned against You. I have delighted my soul in other things more than I have in You.

People: In my arrogance, I have enjoyed the comforts of this world.

Pastor: In one moment, I believe that I’m invincible, able to withstand any problem or struggle. In the next moment, I believe that the evil all around me is out to get me.

People: O God, forgive me of my sin. Look on me with mercy, and give me grace to delight in You, rather than in my sin.

Pastor: My mouth is full of cursing and deceit and oppression; under my tongue are mischief and iniquity.

People: Lift me out of this pit of sin, cleanse me of my unrighteousness, and fill me with Your Holy Spirit so that I might walk in holiness and obey Your commandments.

Pastor: Open my lips Lord, and my mouth will declare Your praise.

People: We are saved by the Grace of God! Thank you, Jesus! Amen!

† We Hear God’s Word †

[Today’s Bible readings found on page 12 of this worship program]

Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 66:18-23*

Epistle Reading: *Hebrews 12:4-24*

Holy Gospel: *Luke 13:22-30*

Response Song:

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord, open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see You, I want to see You.

Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord, open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see You, I want to see You.

To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love as we sing, Holy Holy Holy.

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Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy holy holy I want to see You.

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy holy holy I want to see You.

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Message: “Gathered to His Word, Going to the World” - *Isaiah 66:18-23*

† We Respond to God’s Word †

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

† We Pray †

Prayers of the Church

Offerings of Our Time, Talents & Treasures

“Lord, we are yours. This represents our heart, our attitude, our spirit, and our willingness to recognize and submit to you as our Lord.”



† We Celebrate the Lord's Supper †

Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.

We Prepare [as found on page 11 of this worship program]

Words of Institution

Music During Communion

“Untitled Hymn (Come To Jesus)”

Weak and wounded sinner, lost and left to die
O raise your head for Love is passin' by
Come to Jesus! Come to Jesus! Come to Jesus and live!

Now your burden's lifted and carried far away
And precious blood has washed away the stain
So sing to Jesus! Sing to Jesus! Sing to Jesus and live!

Like a newborn baby, don't be afraid to crawl
And remember when you walk sometimes we fall
So fall on Jesus! Fall on Jesus! Fall on Jesus and live!
Sometimes the way is lonely and steep and filled with pain
So if your sky is dark and pours the rain
Then cry to Jesus. Cry to Jesus. Cry to Jesus and live.

O and when the love spills over and music fills the night
And when you can't contain your joy inside
Then dance for Jesus! Dance for Jesus! Dance for Jesus and live!

And with your final heartbeat, kiss the world good-bye
Then go in peace and laugh on glory's side
And fly to Jesus! Fly to Jesus! Fly to Jesus and live!
Fly to Jesus! Fly to Jesus! Fly to Jesus and live!

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† We Depart in Peace †

Benediction

Closing Song:

“Spirit Song”

Oh let the Son of God enfold you with His Spirit and His love. Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
Oh let Him have those things that hold you and His Spirit like a dove will descend
upon your life and make you whole. *Chorus*

Chorus

Jesus oh Jesus! Come and fill Your lambs! Jesus oh Jesus! Come and fill Your lambs!

Oh come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy.
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name! Oh give Him all your tears and sadness,
give Him all your years of pain and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name! *Chorus*

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NOTES AND NEWS

Church Sanctuary Worship Service Guidelines

The Board of Elders has approved our return to pre-pandemic sanctuary worship guidelines with the following additional notes:

- Masks will be optional, and still available in the Marie Pfarr Room if desired.
- Ushers are no longer required to wear masks and gloves.
- Pastor and Elders are no longer required to wear mask and gloves while communing the congregation.
- We are offering The Common Cup.
- Those wishing to receive communion in their cars may continue to do so.
- Offering Plate: The passing of the collection plate during the 6:00 pm and 9:00 am Traditional worship services has returned. The collection boxes will continue to be used at the 11:00 am Contemporary worship service.

Additional Worship Service Information:

- By Radio - You can join our worship service by tuning to WQTT1270 AM and 96.7 FM at 8:00 a.m. airtime.
- Join us in the parking lot by tuning your car radio to 92.1 FM at any of our sanctuary services.
- Join us on Facebook at 11:00 a.m. for our "live streaming" service, or after on Sundays at: <https://www.facebook.com/jack.heino>

2022-2023 Youth Catechism Class

This years **Youth Catechism Class begins Sunday, August 28, 2022**, during the Sunday school hour (10:00 a.m.). The August 28th



St. John's Catechism Class

Welcome and Introduction Class will be held in the school gymnasium. The first in-room class begins **Sunday, September 11** from **10:00-11:00 a.m.** and will be held in the school modular (Mrs. Susie Miller's & Mrs. Jayme Allen's classrooms). We welcome all new 7th grade students to attend. We look forward to seeing this year's 7th and 8th graders, along with the attendance of their supportive parents, as we start this new faith journey together.

St. John's School Employment Opportunities

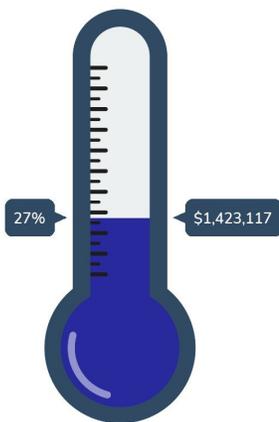
Substitute Teachers: If you love working with kids, and would like to earn a little extra money, this job is for you. Candidates must have a high school diploma.

Teachers Aids: A Full-time aid needed in Kindergarten & a Part-time aid (morning only) needed in 4 yr. old Preschool.

Please email Principal Rich Rausch at rrausch@sjsmarysville.org or call 937.240.3003 if you are interested, or you know someone who would qualify.

Gearing Up for the New School Year!

GOAL: \$5,200,000



Committed Amount
as of 8.5.22

As we gear up for the new school year, we also near the start of year 2 of the Growing Roots Campaign. A fundraising dinner theater is scheduled and should be a great night together, and continue to raise funds for the campaign. Just a reminder with fall around the corner that the "Building with Bounty" campaign at Heritage is still active where grain can be directly donated to the campaign. Over 250 families have contributed \$881,500 with a total of \$1,423,117 committed!

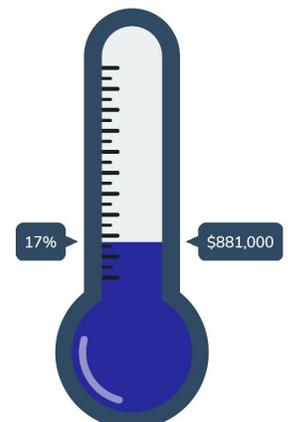
All checks need to be made out to St. John's Church.

Please place your contribution in an envelope and write, "Growing ROOTS" on the outside or place in a Growing ROOTS envelope from your packet.

Scan the QR to GIVE to GROWING ROOTS!



GOAL: \$5,200,000



In Hand Amount
as of 8.5.22

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

Welcome to St. John's. Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We pray that you will encounter Christ, the Living Word, and in a new way experience His mercy and grace today. We ask if you are a visitor, or a worship scholarship participant (SJ School), to please fill out the **blue card** located in the pew rack in front of you. Then drop the card in the offering box as you leave worship. If you would like to know more about our ministry, please call the church office at 937-644-5540.

The Lutheran Hour is on the radio Sunday mornings at **7:00am on WLW (700 AM)**. Log on to www.lhm.org for more information and channels. Jim Vandre, LHM Ambassador.

St. John's Radio Program airs Sunday mornings at **8:00am** on local channel **WQTT (1270 AM & 98.7 FM)**.

Altar Flowers: The altar flowers are to the glory of God and in honor of the 58th Wedding Anniversary of **John and Judy Walkup** on August 22nd.

THE LORD'S WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S AUGUST 21-28, 2022

TODAY	9:00 am	Sanctuary Worship Service/Communion & "Live Streaming": "Blessing of the Backpacks" and Commissioning of the SJ Day School/Preschool/JEC/Sunday School Teachers
	10:00 am	Adult & Young Adult Bible Study/ Youth & Children Sunday School
	11:00 am	Contemporary Worship Service/Communion
MONDAY	5:00 pm	Home Soccer Game vs. Genoa
	6:00 pm	Home Volleyball Game vs. Genoa
TUESDAY	11:30 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
	7:00 pm	Board Meetings/Heritage House
WEDNESDAY		Ladies Aid Craft Times: 10:00 am-12:00 pm & 5:00-7:00 pm/ Youth House (location change)
	1:30 pm	ACES/Youth House
THURSDAY	12:00 pm	Ladies Aid Quilting
	6:30 pm	Home Volleyball Game vs. One School
FRIDAY	1:00 pm	Ladies Aid Quilting
SATURDAY	6:00 pm	Sanctuary Worship Service
SUNDAY	9:00 am	Sanctuary Worship Service & "Live Streaming"
08/21/22	10:00 am	Adult & Young Adult Bible Study/ Youth & Children Sunday School
	10:00 am	2022-23 Youth Catechism: Welcome & Introduction/Gym
	11:00 am	Contemporary Worship Service

ALL AGES SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 - 11:00 am

(Fall-Winter-Spring Schedule)

3 Years-Kindergarten—Church Basement

1st-5th Grades—Meet together in the gym, and then move to school classrooms.

6th Grade—Mrs. Ashley Monroe's Classroom

7th & 8th Grade Youth Catechism Class—2022-23 classes will meet in the gym 8/28 for Welcome & Intro.

High School Youth "Cornerstone Discipleship"—Youth House: We welcome all incoming High School Freshman.

Women's Bible Study—Mrs. Melissa Vollrath's Classroom (below the school loft): **Topic - "Esther"**

Adult Bible Study—School Cafeteria: **Topic - "The Book of Acts: Eye Witness Series"** from Right Now Media Bible study series. Led by Ed Hahn through August.

NOTE: Elementary Sunday School Classes will be cancelled for **Labor Day**.

If you have questions, please contact the Sunday School Superintendent, Lisa Arnold at 937-205-1802 or arnoldlisa50@yahoo.com



Notes & News Deadline: Please submit articles by no later than Tuesday at noon to Regina Bullerman, Church Secretary. Call 937-240-3004, mail to the church office, or email to rbullerman@sjsmarysville.org.

Weekly Church Attendance

6:00 pm Saturday and 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday

8/13 & 8/14: 253

Congregational Tithe

First Quarter Mission

Opportunities of Fiscal Year 2022-23

Ohio District LCMS - 50%; Food Pantries, Operation Christmas Child, Clothes Closet, Personal Needs Pantry - 10% Each
New Path Pregnancy Resource Ctr.;
Emergency Assistance Program - 5% Each



Weekly Worship Bible Readings

For those of you who would like to study the Word ahead of the next weekends worship services, we are listing here in the N&N the Bible readings that Pastor Jack will be using.

August 27-28, 2022

Old Testament Reading: *Proverbs 25:2-10*

Epistle Reading: *Hebrews 13:1-17*

Holy Gospel Reading: *Luke 14:1-14*

NOTES & NEWS ITEMS



Concordia Theological Seminary Ingathering

St. John's Golden Eagles, Church, School, and Thrivent are sponsoring an ingathering for Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The ingathering will be in the month of September with delivery to the Seminary in October. Items will be placed in the student Co-op. Students volunteer service time for the privilege of shopping for Co-op items at no charge. The Co-op relies solely on generous donations. Items may be placed inside St. John's trailer in the church parking lot or on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Requested items are: laundry products, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, diapers, wipes, tampons, body wash, shaving cream, shampoo, and Gluten Free (make sure expiration date is 2023 or later. See display for suggested Gluten Free items). Gift Cards are also appreciated (Wal-Mart, Meijer, Kroger, Target, Applebee's, Culver's, Longhorn Steakhouse, Visa, and MasterCard). Gift Cards are distributed at Christmas. **Let's support future church workers and fill Don's trailer!**

Hospitality Team Volunteers Needed

The 11 a.m. worship service Hospitality/Coffee table is up and running! We would love to invite you and your family to be a part of this Outreach team! It is a great way to meet member and visitors. Set-up training included. Please reach out to anyone at the table, or contact Charlie and Christy Fisher at 740-816-4083 or clfppg@aol.com. Thank you!



Church Worship Service Greeters Needed

If you are interested in being a greeter at our church services, please contact Marjie Masters:
Email: marjoriemasters@yahoo.com
Call or Text: (216) 337-7885

Join ACES

We will be playing euchre at the Youth House at 1:30 on Wednesday. Cost is \$1.00. Great fellowship with snacks and prizes.



JOIN US FOR BIBLE STORY · CRAFT · SNACK

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH
10 AM BY THE SOCCER FIELD

BRING A BLANKET TO SIT ON

WE WILL ENJOY A BIBLE STORY LED BY THE HIGH SCHOOLERS, WORSHIP SONGS, CRAFTS AND FUN. ALL AGES WELCOME!

PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO STAY WITH YOUR CHILDREN

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PLEASE EMAIL ARNOLDLISA50@YAHOO.COM WITH QUESTIONS

Unknown Donation of Dinner Plates

The Ladies Aid has around 200 dinner plates that are plain white ceramic/china. This does not include the white china with red/pink floral border. No one on the Friendship/Funeral Committee or Executive Committee knows where they came from. We are hoping someone in the Congregation at-large has the answer.

Please call Sarah Vollrath 937-537-0321, Connie Priday 937-645-5034, Brande Vollrath 937-243-5289, Dee Junkans 937-243-0762, Angie Miller 937-877-0903, Rachael Gruenbaum 614-352-1794, or Kim Zacharias 937-537-1946 if you have any information or ideas where all this dinnerware came from.

Sunday School Teachers Needed! We could use a few more helping hands to be team teachers in the 1-5th grade Sunday School Classes. If you have any interest or questions about what this involves, please contact Lisa Arnold at 937-205-1802 or arnoldlisa50@yahoo.com.



College Student Information for 2022-23: If you have a student(s) in college that you would like to include on the printed prayers, please email Regina Bullerman at rbullerman@sjsmarysville.org with the following info: **name, college, mailing address, & birthdate.**

MORE NOTES & NEWS ITEMS



LWML NEWS...

The delegates at the **Ohio District Convention** approved the \$95,000 mission grant goal for the 2022-2024 biennium which would fund 9 mission grants. A motion came from the floor to fund the 4 other unfunded mission grants from the unrestricted net asset fund. The motion passed unanimously. All 13 mission grants will be funded for the 2022-2024. Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

The **Fall 2022 ODE** is available on the lwmlohio.org by clicking on the ODE link on the left hand side of the screen or by clicking on the resources tab and clicking the ODE.

Save the date: The Central Zone LWML Fall Fellowship will be held on October 1st at Zion Lutheran Church in Columbus. More information will be provided closer to the event.

ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR DATES

The following dates are available for altar flowers through the end of year:

September 4	October 9
September 18	November 13
October 2	November 27

Chancel flowers are available almost every weekend. Please call Charlotte Blumenschein at (937) 644-4111 to reserve any special dates for flowers in church.

The Flower Committee thanks you for your continued support.



SAT. 10.1.22

Doors open @ 5:30PM
Dinner service begins @ 6:00PM
St. John's Gymnasium entrance
12809 St. Rt. 736
Marysville, OH 43040

COME ONE,
COME ALL

Admission is \$20
Open to the public
Appropriate for Middle-School Ages & up
Additional opportunities to give & support St. John's Growing Roots Building Campaign (including a Silent Auction)

Dinner
Theater
"FISHEYES"
PRESENTED BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH TED & COMPANY THEATERWORKS

EVENT DETAILS

The evening will consist of a plated dinner, intermission and dessert during a 2-act stage production. Through unique and fresh perspectives on the scriptures, Christian theatre seeks to glorify and proclaim He who is truly center stage, leading to inspiration, celebration and transformation.

LIVE

Fish Eyes is the humorous, heartwarming and poignant story of the disciples Peter and Andrew, who drop their nets and follow Jesus on a journey filled with joy, laughter, pain, confusion and wonderment. Come along with them as they walk with Jesus and witness his miracles, experience his love and struggle to understand His teachings. These very flawed, very funny and very lovable brothers will take you through the Gospel from the moment they were called to the glorious moment the risen Christ returned to them.

RSVP

BY SEPTEMBER 15TH
Scan the QR code or visit
www.sjsmarysville.org



For more information on the evening, please email growingroots@sjsmarysville.org or call 937-644-5540



Ladies Aid Requests for the Christmas Bazaar



Thanks again for your help this week with all the items you donated to the Ladies Aid table for the Christmas Bazaar! Our needs have changed a bit.

We are in need of the following:

Christmas clear bulb ornaments (glass or plastic), thick dowel rods, wooden pallets, artificial snow, poly-fil, Christmas greenery and florals, glue sticks, small sets of lights, old hymnals, 4x4 posts (3-4' or longer), 2x4 wood (minimum 18" long).

Please leave the smaller items on the bench in the Marie Pfarr room and the wood items beside the brown barn behind the Youth House.

Thanks for your help!

Ladies Aid Christmas Bazaar Craft Making Location Change

From here on, we will be making crafts for the Christmas Bazaar Ladies Aid table at the Youth House. We will stay on Wednesdays for the time being, but may change days in the future, so watch the Notes & News for updates.

PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. 1 Corinthians 11:27-29

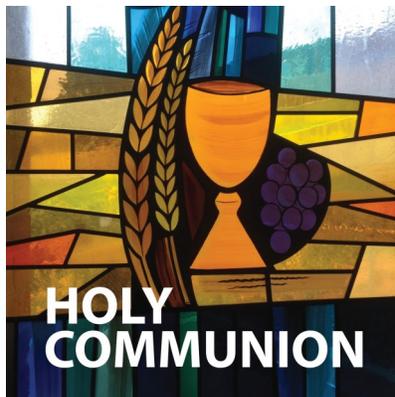
The following is a summary of what we believe and teach as Missouri Synod Lutheran Christians. Because we care for you, we ask that you carefully review the following statements:

1. I have been baptized into the name of the one true God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28:16-20*
2. I have been instructed concerning the meaning of Holy Communion, understand the importance of self-examination prior to coming to the Lord's Supper and have made my confirmation of faith. *1 Corinthians 11:27-29*
3. I confess that I am a sinner in need of forgiveness. I am sorry for my sins. *1 John 1:8-9*
4. I believe that Jesus Christ, God's Son, is my Savior from sin, death, and the power of the devil. *Romans 3:21-24*
5. I believe that the body and blood of Jesus Christ are really present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, and I desire to receive Christ's body and blood, given and shed for my forgiveness. *1 Corinthians 11:23-26*
6. If possible, so far as it depends on me, I seek to live peaceably with all. *Romans 12:17-19*
7. By the power of the Holy Spirit, I desire and intend to lead a more Godly and Christ-like life, trusting in God's promises and obeying His commands. *Galatians 5:22-24*

If you unreservedly agree with the seven points above, you are invited to come to the Lord's Supper. If you do not agree with one or more of the seven points, please refrain from participating in Holy Communion lest you sin against the body and blood of the Lord. If you agree with the seven points above but are not a member of St. John's, we welcome you to the Lord's Table and invite you to give prayerful consideration to joining our partnership in the Gospel. You are encouraged to speak with a pastor or elder prior to communing regarding any point(s) of disagreement and/or regarding the process of joining St. John's.

Gluten-Free Communion Wafers: A gluten-free communion wafer option is now available for those who are allergic. They are located in the brass cup in the middle of the communion plate.

Communion Wine: For those who have health related, or other issues with drinking alcohol, please take the purple individual communion cup. It contains all water with one drop of wine.



TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS

Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 66:18-23*

God, speaking through the Prophet Isaiah, states that people from all nations, and from all languages will be gathered together to see the Glory of God. And in the new heavens and the new earth, all mankind will bow down before the Lord.

¹⁸“For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. ²¹And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD. ²²“For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain. ²³From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading: *Hebrews 12:4-24*

The writer of Hebrews speaks of the discipline of God and how it is for our own good. He exhorts us to live in peace and to be holy.

He says God is a consuming fire with a voice that can shake the earth. But He is giving us a Kingdom that cannot be shaken.

⁴In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? “My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. ⁶For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.” ⁷It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. ¹²Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. ¹⁴Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. ¹⁵See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; ¹⁶that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. ¹⁷For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears. ¹⁸For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. ²⁰For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned.” ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.” ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

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Holy Gospel: *Luke 13:22-30*

Jesus is teaching in the towns and villages and responds to a question about how many people will be saved. His response is that once the owner of the house closes the door, no one is allowed in. And the reason is the owner does not know those who are knocking. But those he does know, including those from all over the world will feast in the Kingdom of God.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

²²[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³And someone said to him, “Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, ²⁴“Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then he will answer you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’ ²⁶Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.’ ²⁷But he will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!’ ²⁸In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. ²⁹And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. ³⁰And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.