

*Our mission is to glorify God as we seek to make disciples of all nations  
by bringing the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people within and outside  
of the one holy Christian Church.*

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**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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**The Sermon: "Them to Us"**

**The Text:** Acts 11:1-18

**Special Music:**

"Shout to the Lord," "Andante Maestoso," "There is A Redeemer"  
Sr. Bell Choir

**The Opening Hymn:** "With High Delight" LSB 483

**The Sermon Hymn:** "A Multitude Comes" (insert)

**The Communion Hymns:** "At the Lamb's High Feast" LSB 633  
"We Know that Christ" (insert)

**The Closing Hymn:** "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" LSB 477

+ Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 10:30 a.m. service today. Guests, it is our desire for you to commune with us. In the Lord's Supper, in with and under the bread and the wine, we receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. You should also know that when you commune with a group of Christians, you are saying you agree with the teachings of that church body. If you are a member of a different church body, please use this time for prayer and reflection upon God's Word. We then invite you to speak with one of the pastors about how you, too, can share in this wonderful gift. If you believe what Christ says about His supper and share the beliefs we have at St. Johns, an LCMS congregation, you are welcome to join us for communion.

**This Week at St. Johns**

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| Monday    | Staff Meeting                  | 8:45 AM |
| Monday    | Health Care Directive Workshop | 5:30 PM |
| Monday    | Stamping Group                 | 5:30 PM |
| Tuesday   | Bible Study                    | 8:30 AM |
| Tuesday   | TOPS                           | 9:00 AM |
| Tuesday   | Worship Committee              | 1:30 PM |
| Tuesday   | ABC Preschool Closing Program  | 7:00 PM |
| Wednesday | Communion Service              | NOON    |
| Wednesday | ABC Preschool Graduation       | 7:00 PM |
| Thursday  | Cub Scouts                     | 6:00 PM |

**Next Sunday - Graduate Recognition**

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| Worship (Comm.)      | 8:00 AM  |
| Sunday School        | 9:15 AM  |
| Graduate Recognition | 9:30 AM  |
| Worship              | 10:30 AM |

**ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH:** Vicar Aidan Moon, Zion Lutheran Church, Bismarck, ND, presents the message: "Joy Comes in the Morning," based on John 16:12-22. "This Is The Life" program: "The Main Event" - A boxer who is hit by a car becomes embittered until he meets a cheerful 8-year-old girl. Main Street Living is broadcast Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on KVRr Fargo-Moorhead or watch online at [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com), "North (Fargo)."

**LISTEN:** to the Lutheran Hour Sundays on KPRM 870 AM at 9:30 a.m. or KTIG 102.7 and 95.9 FM at 5:00 p.m. You can also listen on Sirius SM Family Talk Channel 133 on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. or any time on [lhm.org/sentradio](http://lhm.org/sentradio). This week Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler discusses "What the Bible Is About." To make sense of a 1000-piece jigsaw puzzle, one needs to know "the big picture." The Bible is like that, too.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** lesson today for PK-7th grade is "*The Last Call - Jesus Will Return.*"

**"BLESS A MOM"** - We still have four slots left for this project that we need to fill to meet our grant match from the Synod. If you wish to "sponsor" a gift bag (\$30.00) for a young mom in the area, please sign the sheet located near the church office.

**OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE** and sympathy is extended to Gloria Town and Margie Hoff as they mourn the passing of their sister, Violet Razink. We pray that our Lord Jesus Christ will grant them peace and rest from their sorrow.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who donated items for the LWML Zone Rally ingathering. Around 50 items were brought in including soups, stews, peanut butter, fruits and more.

These donations were given to the Laporte Food Shelf.

**A HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVE WORKSHOP** will be held tomorrow at 5:30 p.m. Please let the office know if you will be attending so we can have enough materials.

**BISHOP PETER ABIA** will be visiting our congregation on Tuesday, May 24 at 3:00 p.m. to share how God is working in South Sudan/Sudan. Please join us for this opportunity to see how we can support this mission outreach in East Africa.

**HELEN'S KITCHEN** has resumed providing meals. Meals are served from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Heartland Express will provide transportation to and from the church if you call in advance. Please check the poster in the hallway for details.

**LWML DISTRICT NEWS:** The LWML of the Minnesota North District is holding its 30<sup>th</sup> Biennial convention at the Courtyard by Marriott, Moorhead, MN, on June 20-22. Our keynote speaker will be Debbie Griffith from International Falls, Minnesota. She is a speaker, writer, and radio girl-she has a one minute radio spot "Everyday Matters" on about 100 radio stations. She overflows with joy, enthusiasm, and fun, and wants us to experience the same. Debbie motivates us to see the blessings of life and how God's grace makes all the difference. Her website is [debbiegriffith.com](http://debbiegriffith.com). Bring your family for the recreational activities in the Moorhead area while you attend the convention.

**THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** is looking for church members to assist with this year's VBS program which will run from August 7-August 11. We need help not only with teachers but with crafts, music, food, and games. All members are encouraged to lend your talents to this program for one evening or all five. We are also looking for members to fill teaching positions for Release Time and Sunday School this fall. Please contact the church office for more information.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Att. - 24.

**LAST SUNDAY:** Att. 8:00 a.m. - 125. 10:30 a.m. - 44. Total - 169. Offering: Unified (Envelopes) - \$6,795.00. Unified (Electronic) - \$1,747.88. Front Entry - \$870.00 (Memorial for Ginny Guegel). Local Lutheran Hour - \$25.00 (Ginny Guegel Memorial). Bless A Mom - \$60.00. National Youth Gathering - \$200.00. District Convention Gift - \$332.00. Lutheran Island Camp Scholarship - \$100.00. Plate - \$2,289.00. Total - \$12,418.88.