

*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 Ninth Sunday After Pentecost**

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**The Sermon: "Not What You Think"**

**The Text:** *Matthew 13:44-52*

**The Opening Hymn** "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"  
LSB 909

**The Sermon Hymn:** "I Love Your Kingdom Lord"  
LSB 651

**The Canticle:** "We Praise You and Acknowledge You"  
LSB 941

**The Closing Hymn:** "Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way"  
LSB 857

**This Week at St. Johns**

Monday	Staff Meeting	8:45 AM
Tuesday	TOPS	9:00 AM
Tuesday	Board Meetings	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Communion Service	NOON
Friday	Office Closed	

**Next Sunday**

Blended Worship	8:00 AM
Bible Study	9:30 AM
Blended Worship (Comm.)	10:30 AM
Vacation Bible School	5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**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 XM Family Talk Channel 133 on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. or any time on [lhm.org/sentradio](http://lhm.org/sentradio). Today's sermon is "If It Seems Slow, Wait for It" (Habakkuk 2:3 Romans 10:9 ) with Lutheran Hour speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Some ideas spread slowly. That doesn't make them bad ideas. Dr. Michael Zeigler talks about God's slow solution to setting a broken world right.

**ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH:** Rev. Justin Woodside, Bethel & Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Churches, Bismarck, ND, presents the message: "Giving All for the Treasure." *This Is the Life*: "The Selling Price" - A father and son face the issue of ethics, and how it relates to God's law. Main Street Living is broadcast Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on KVRN Fargo-Moorhead or watch online at [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com), "North(Fargo)."

**INSTALLATION** of our newly elected officers and board members will be held today at both services.

**PLEASE LET US KNOW** you were here this morning by signing the black friendship registers located in the pews. It makes the office staff very happy!

**HEARING ASSISTANCE SETS** are available in the back near the ushers. Try one out.

**PEW TOO**

**HARD?** Try one of our "cushy cushions" that are in a tote in the back by the busy bags. Please return to the adjacent box so they can be refreshed before the next use.

**GODS LIVING WATER VBS** is coming up next Sunday, August 6 through Thursday, August 10 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. VBS is open to all kids age 4 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. You can pick up a registration form by the office or sign up online at our website. We're looking forward to a great time!

**THE LADIES AID** is hosting a summer potluck on Thursday August 10 at noon. Since the weather's always uncertain and VBS is being held outside, we will meet in the social hall. Mark your calendar and join us for some great food!

**OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE** and sympathy is extended to Mandy Hall and family as they mourn the passing of her brother, Jonathan Grambart. We pray that our Lord Jesus Christ will grant them peace and rest from their sorrow.

**AUGUST ACOLYTES**: 8:00 a.m. - (8/6) Sophia Neubauer & Taylor Arola. (8/13) Kiften Luther & Kryton Nilson. (8/20) Clinton Koch & Will Sanquist. (8/27) Addie DeVore & Khloe May. 10:30 a.m. - (8/6) Kolt Safratowich & Zach Harju. (8/13) Mellaney Hall & Hayden Hafner. (8/20) Taylor Arola & Alex Lof. (8/27) Sophia Neubauer & Luke Eskola.

**AUGUST ELDERS**: 8:00 a.m. - (8/13) Tim Ranisate & Steve Schauland, (8/27) Jerry Eischens & Marty Steffel. 10:30 a.m. - (8/6) Tim Ranisate, (8/20) Larry Hetrick.

**AUGUST ALTAR GUILD**: Diane Ketcher.

**LAST SUNDAY**: Att.: 8:00 -144. 10:30 - 62. Total - 206. Offering: Unified - \$4,173.00. Unified Electronic - \$810.20. Plate - \$2,562.00. Healthy Balance - \$100.00. Evening Guild (Memorial for Erna Kable) - \$30.00. Total - \$7,675.20.

**NOON SERVICE**: Att. - 27.