Lutheran Church

Christ is Risen

VBS SIGN UP
VOLUNTEERS
4 years old - Entering 6th



PARTICIPANTS

Entering 7th - Adults

JUNE 6 - 8 2022

6 - 8 pm

Visit stjohnjoliet.org for all sign ups

Re-imagining Our Mission - Sign Up Online

Our Green Team is about so much more than recycling! Lives that intersect creation care, community action, & spirituality will be deeply fulfilled as we reimagine our mission & shape our future.

The Sound of Music

You don't need to be 16 going on 17 to share your gift of music. You don't even need to climb ev'ry mountain! torihicks@stjohnjoliet.org wants to talk with musicians, vocalists, and ensembles who are looking for something good to do this summer. I have confidence we'll hear you in worship soon. So long, farewell (for now!)

Summer Connections

- ATTENTION FAMILIES & FRIEND GROUPS! Our Daybreak Ministry invites you to spend a few hours together THIS THURSDAY helping to deliver & serve our monthly meal. See Pastor Robin.
- ADULT WOMEN! Coffee with Friends meets at 9am on Thursdays at Rock Run, Black Road entrance. See a pastor with questions.

Baby Shower Sponsored by St. John Food Pantry

This is the last week of our Mother's Day collection for formula, diapers, etc. Place donations in marked Narthex container.

We welcome you to St. John Lutheran Church as we gather for this time of worship and reflection on God's love for the world.

The altar flowers are given today by the Altar Guild To sponsor altar flowers for our worship space, sign up at stjohnjoliet.org or call the church office.

Worship Leaders - Sunday, May 29, 2022 (8:30 am)

DeaconRachel YerglerCommunion AssistantCheryl LovellGreeterSam Riggi

Ushers Joe Aincham, Jon Blomquist, Joan Fry

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*Indicates Congregation, Please Stand

Prelude

"The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done"

Miles

Welcome and Announcements

*Thanksgiving for Baptism

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- P In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is yet to come.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely through the earth, through the city, through every living thing. You flood us with mercy and grace us with life.

In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us.

Breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.

To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and our Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever.

C Amen.

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

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Verse 1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; his the scepter, his the throne;

Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone.

Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood."

Verse 3 Alleluia! Bread of heaven, here on earth our food, our stay;

Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to you from day to day.

Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, hear our plea Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

*Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

*Hymn of Praise



*Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. You are at work in us all, O God, making it possible for us to love as you have loved us, to serve as you came to serve, to seek your glory rather than our own. You open your hands and pour out your life, that we may know the fullness of your grace. You reveal your mind to us: in your word, in your world, and in the life of Jesus among us on earth. You invite us to look through your eyes, to orient ourselves in the same direction you're going, to share your vision and act on it. Help us offer ourselves for the work of your kingdom, in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

Psalm 15

- D A responsive reading from Psalm 15. Listen for the Word of the Lord.
- C Our ears are open.

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?

Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart;

they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the Lord.

They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.

They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

- D Word of God, Word of Life!
- C Thanks be to God!

Reading

Philippians 1:1-18

- D A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians. Listen for the Word of the Lord.
- C Our ears are open.

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God for every remembrance of you, always in every one of my prayers for all of you, praying with joy for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you because I hold you in my heart, for all of you are my partners in God's grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the tender affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what really matters, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually resulted in the progress of the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ, and most of the brothers and sisters, having been made confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, dare to speak the word with greater boldness and without fear.

Some proclaim Christ from envy and rivalry but others from goodwill. These proclaim Christ out of love, knowing that I have been put here for the defense of the gospel; the others proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but intending to increase my suffering in my imprisonment. What does it matter? Just this, that Christ is proclaimed in every way, whether out of false motives or true, and in that I rejoice.

- D Word of God, Word of Life!
- C Thanks be to God!

*Celtic Alleluia

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*Gospel

John 17:20-23

- P The gospel according to John, the seventeenth chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus prayed, "Father, I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."

- P The gospel of our Lord.
- C Praise to you O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Jen Beamsley

*Hymn of the Day

#641, Vs. 1, 4, 5

"All Are Welcome"

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Verse 1 Let us build a house where love can dwell

And all can safely live,

A place where saints and children tell

How hearts learn to forgive.

Built of hopes and dreams and visions,

Rock of faith and vault of grace;

Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain All are welcome, all are welcome,

All are welcome in this place.

Verse 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach

Beyond the wood and stone

To heal and strengthen, serve and teach,

And live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger Bear the image of God's face;

Let us bring an end to fear and danger: Refrain

Verse 5 Let us build a house where all are named,

Their songs and visions heard

And loved and treasured, taught and claimed

As words within the Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter, Prayers of faith and songs of grace,

Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: Refrain

*Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

#178

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P We pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

Sung prayer response:

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer; Lord, make us whole; Peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

*Sharing the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

You may share the peace of Christ with others. Those who choose to stay in their pew may wave or give signs of peace.

*Offertory Response

#836, Vs. 1

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

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Verse 1 Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

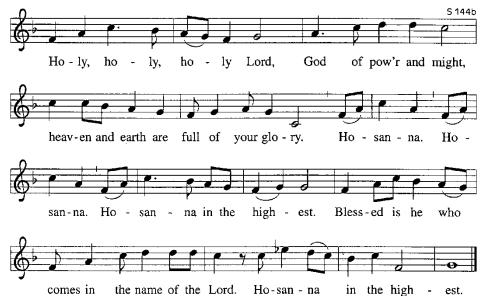
*Offertory Prayer

D Let us pray. God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world. Amen.

*Great Thanksgiving (sung)

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Holy



*Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer

C

hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

*Invitation to Communion

- P The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat, and be satisfied!
- C Thanks be to God!

Distribution

We believe in the true presence of Jesus Christ in this meal and at this table.

All are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.

There are two ways to receive communion today:

Receiving Communion in your pew

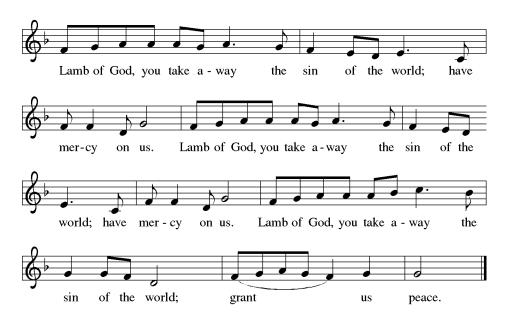
You may receive communion in your pew with the elements contained in the communion pod. The pastor will say the words of distribution after the Invitation to Communion:

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Receiving Communion at the altar

- You will be invited forward by the usher.
- You may bring your offering/attendance slip forward and place in the offering basket or place in the offering baskets by the doors as you leave.
- Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Inform the pastor when receiving communion.
- The deep purple wine is on the outer rings of the tray; the golden grape juice is on the inner rings of the tray.
- After receiving communion, place the used communion cup in the basket, and return to your pew via the side aisle.

Lamb of God



"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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Verse 1 My faith looks up to thee,

Thou Lamb of Calvary,

Savior divine!

Now hear me while I pray, Take all my guilt away, Oh, let me from this day

Be wholly thine!

Verse 2 May thy rich grace impart

Strength to my fainting heart,

My zeal inspire;

As thou hast died for me,

Oh, may my love to thee Pure, warm, and changeless be,

A living fire!

Verse 3 While life's dark maze I tread

And griefs around me spread,

Be thou my guide;

Bid darkness turn to day,

Wipe sorrow's tears away,

Nor let me ever stray

From thee aside.

#801, Vs. 1-3

"Change My Heart, O God"

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Verse 1 Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

You are the potter, I am the clay.

Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

Verse 2 From my heart, O God, let me live anew.

From my heart, O God, let me love like you.

Give us the freedom of serving you.

No longer fearful, but trusting you.

From my heart, O God, let me live a new. From my heart, O God, let me love like you.

Verse 3 Bind our hearts, O God, make your people one.

Bind our hearts, O God, room for everyone. Make us a family, healed by your Son.

Give us the courage to live as one.

Bind our hearts, O God, make your people one. Bind our hearts, O God, room for everyone.

*Blessing

C Amen.

*Prayer after Communion

D Let us pray. Risen Christ, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

*Benediction

C Sing AMEN. AMEN. AMEN.

*Sending Hymn

#314, Vs. 1 & 4

"Arise, Your Light Has Come!"

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Verse 1 Arise, your light has come!

The Spirit's call obey;

Show forth the glory of your God Which shines on you today.

Verse 4 Arise, your light has come!

The mountains burst in song! Rise up like eagles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

*Sending

D Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

D Go in peace. Share the good news!

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude "Prelude in G Major" Couperin

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