

St. John
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the LOVE of Christ



Saturday, July 10, 2021 (5:30 pm)
Sunday, July 11, 2021 (8:30 am)



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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.

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Worship Leaders – Saturday 5:30 pm

Deacon	Yvonne Welsh
Ushers	Guy Gell, Norm Roland
Altar Guild	Karen Becker, Jan Drish
Pianist	Susan Fick

Worship Leaders – Sunday 8:30 am

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St. John by the Mall – Joliet, IL



St. John Lutheran Church, Joliet

Prelude

(5:30)

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

arr. Raney

(8:30)

“Duo du cinquième ton”

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***Welcome and Greeting**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, creator of stars and clouds; mountains and hills; oceans, rivers, and lakes; our planet and our home.

C **Amen.**

***Thanksgiving for Baptism**

P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water is poured in the baptismal font.

P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden.

C **In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock.**

P When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.

C **Through your resurrection, you shower us again with the water of life.**

P We praise you for your salvation through water. We praise you for the water in this font, and for the waters that flow through your nature around us!

C **We praise you for the Des Plaines river, for the DuPage and Fox rivers, and for the Kankakee and Illinois rivers!**

P Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love!

C **Satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give!**

P To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*Opening Hymn

#731, Vs. 1, 2, 5

“Earth and All Stars!”

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Verse 1 Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Hail, wind and rain! Loud blowing snow storm!
Sing to the Lord a new song!

Refrain God has done marvelous things.
I too sing praises with a new song!

Verse 2 Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud humming cellos!
Sing to the Lord a new song!

Repeat Refrain

Verse 5 Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son! Loud praying members!
Sing to the Lord a new song!

Repeat Refrain

*Prayer of the Day

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.**

P Let us pray. God, creator of all living things, you fashioned a world in which lands and waterways, plants and animals, together meet the needs of all that you made. We pray that such vitality may flourish around the globe. Bless those who work the soil and who manage animals. Uphold their towns and villages. Nurture bees and other pollinators. Protect farmlands and ranches from drought and flood. Free children from forced labor in the fields. Grant an economy that can sustain those families who treasure a rural life. Teach us how to share with everyone the benefits of each harvest, and accept our gratitude for all sustenance you provide, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Psalm 104:24-34 *(read responsively)*

D A reading from Psalm 104. Listen for the Word of the Lord.

C **Our ears are open!**

O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

**Yonder is the sea, great and wide,
creeping things innumerable are there,
living things both small and great.**

There go the ships,
and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

**These all look to you
to give them their food in due season;**

when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

**When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.**

When you send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the ground.

**May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works—**

who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke.

**I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the Lord.

D Word of God, Word of Life!

C **Thanks be to God!**

Special Music

(8:30)

“Draw Me Close/Breathe” Carpenter/Barnett, arr. Grimm
Amanda Beaudry & Kristen Vorrier
Kelly Bishop, guitar

Reading

Genesis 1:26-31

D A reading from the book of Genesis. Listen for the Word of the Lord.
C **Our ears are open!**

God spoke: "Let us make human beings in our image, make them reflecting our nature

So they can be responsible for the fish in the sea,
the birds in the air, the cattle,

And, yes, Earth itself,
and every animal that moves on the face of Earth."

God created human beings;
he created them godlike,

Reflecting God's nature.

He created them male and female.

God blessed them:

"Prosper! Reproduce! Fill Earth! Take charge!

Be responsible for fish in the sea and birds in the air,
for every living thing that moves on the face of Earth."

Then God said, "I've given you
every sort of seed-bearing plant on Earth

And every kind of fruit-bearing tree,
given them to you for food.

To all animals and all birds,
everything that moves and breathes,

I give whatever grows out of the ground for food."

And there it was.

God looked over everything he had made;
it was so good, so very good!

It was evening, it was morning—

Day Six.

D Word of God, Word of Life!

C **Thanks be to God!**

*Gospel Acclamation

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Gospel

Mark 10:41-45

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When the other ten heard of this conversation, they lost their tempers with James and John. Jesus got them together to settle things down. "You've observed how godless rulers throw their weight around," he said, "and when people get a little power how quickly it goes to their heads. It's not going to be that way with you. Whoever wants to be great must become a servant. Whoever wants to be first among you must be your slave. That is what the Son of Man has done: He came to serve, not to be served—and then to give away his life in exchange for many who are held hostage."

P The gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Jen Beamsley

*Hymn of the Day

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"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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Verse 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!

Verse 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Verse 3 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with his love he befriend you.

Verse 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

***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.

Joys and Concerns of our Faith Community

*Prayer request cards are available in your pews.
You may place the card in the offering plate or give to a pastor.*

Prayers of the Church

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P Let us come before God in prayer.

Response (sing):

**Christ, our peace, you break down the walls that divide us;
Christ, our peace, come, make us one body in you.**

The prayers conclude:

P We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your faithful grace.
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. Those who move to greet others may choose their greeting at the discretion of the person you are greeting.

Please be mindful of the non-verbal cue you are receiving, and ask what the person is comfortable with before greeting.

Offertory

(5:30)

“His Eye is on the Sparrow”

arr. Berry

(8:30)

“We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise”

Dearman, arr. Hayes

The offering will be received at the doors as you leave.

*Offertory Response

“Come, Thank the Lord”

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Come, thank the Lord for He's the total giver.

He's the one who truly does deliver.

Come thank the Lord He's the one who does it all. (Praise the Lord!)

Sun, moon, and rain, trees and flowers are the gifts He gives.

The Lord does provide all we need to live.

Thanks, praise and love now we offer to the Lord our King.

He's the guider, provider, the giver of everything.

Sing Amen! Say it again. Sing Amen!

*Offertory Prayer

D Let us pray. God of goodness and growth, **all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is sure. Word and water, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Receive the gifts we bring, and nourish us to serve creation within our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Great Thanksgiving *(spoken)*

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, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You speak all things into being; you plant trees and lift up mountains; you provide water and fill oceans. The foundations of our planet rest firmly in your hands. Our image is found in you and we delight in your glorious world. And so, with angels and archangels, with ancestors and descendants, with companions in nature and the galaxies which surround us, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the
One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

***Words of Institution**

*The Lord's Prayer

C Our Father, who art in heaven,
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.

*Invitation to Communion

P Taste and see that he Lord is good!
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 pastor.*
- *Wear your masks as you come forward; lift your mask when receiving the elements of bread and then again with the grape juice or the wine.*
- *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.*

Communion Music

(5:30) "For the Beauty of the Earth/This is My Father's World" arr. Wilhelmi
(8:30) "I Love to Tell the Story" Hankey & Fischer

*Blessing

*Prayer after Communion

D Let us pray. Creator God, your hand satisfies the need of every living creature. Send us in gratitude for your loving providence, and grant that we may be faithful stewards of your good gifts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

*Benediction



*Sending Song

#881, Vs. 1

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Verse 1

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God’s banners are o’er us, God’s light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.

*Sending

D Go in peace to love God’s good creation!

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude

(5:30)

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

arr. Bennett

(8:30)

“Intonatio Octavi Toni”

Scherer

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All I Really Need To Know I Learned In Kindergarten

Robert Fulghum



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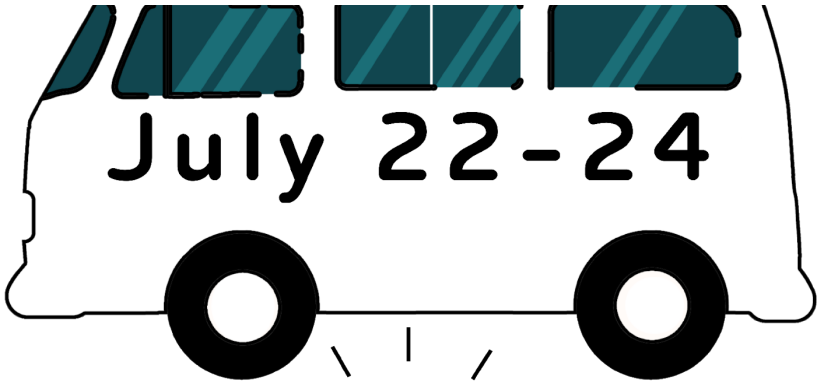
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Clean up your own mess.

Invite a friend to worship. Share our link.

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mini-Mission "Trip"

**For students who have
completed freshman year in HS -
entering sophomore year in college**

Over the course of three days from 9am - 9pm, we will engage in service activities throughout Will County. We'll volunteer at service organizations, hang out at church, have evening dinners & program, and pool time! Students who've finished freshman year of HS through entering sophomore year in college can come for the whole day or just parts depending on your schedule.

We hope you'll be able to join us for even some of the weekend!
Cost: \$50

**For more information, see Pastor Evan
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4-part creation series

JULY 10 - AUGUST 1



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