

St. John
Lutheran Church



Rest for Your Souls



8:30am
Sunday
June 12, 2022



Visit stjohnjoliet.org for all sign ups

Vacation Bible School

Singers - This Sunday at the 10am worship service, enjoy special music presented by our VBS children.



Fill the Boxcar with Boxes of Food

This month our VBS ministry is collecting food that comes in a box to benefit our St. John Food Pantry. The boxcar in the Narthex is ready to receive your donation if you'd like to participate!

Thank You!

We welcomed over 40 children and 50 volunteers at Rocky Railway VBS this week! Thank you for your donations and to all of our volunteers who dedicated their time and talents to make VBS 2022 a success. We couldn't do it without you!

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

- **ADULT WOMEN!** Coffee with Friends meets at 9am on Thursdays at Rock Run, Black Road entrance. See a pastor with questions.
- **VOLUNTEER AT OUR FOOD PANTRY!** Visit stjohnfood.org to see available shifts and hours. Distribution on Saturdays via drive thru.

June & July Special Offering

Use a blue envelope or visit stjohnjoliet.org to give a gift to St. John Youth - Camps and Trips. Thank you!

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 Tony & Anita Freehauf in celebration of their 44th wedding anniversary.

To sponsor altar flowers for our worship space, sign up at stjohnjoliet.org or call the church office.

Worship Leaders – Sunday, June 12, 2022 (8:30 am)

Deacon	Suzanne Repavich
Communion Assistant	Pam Murray
Greeter	Sam Riggi
Ushers	Tim Hay, Bob Makowka, Matt Markwell
Piano & Organ	Janet Blomquist
Music Director	Tori Hicks
Audio Board	Bill Jensen
Livestream Team	Dawn MacGregor, Frank Norem, Sage Quiaoit
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 **St. John by the Mall – Joliet, IL**

 **St. John Lutheran Church, Joliet**

**Indicates Congregation, Please Stand*

Prelude “You Are My Hiding Place/It Is Well With My Soul” Ledner/Bliss

Welcome and Announcements

***Confession and Forgiveness**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Let us pray. O God, **to you all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

C **Amen.**

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

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Refrain

Lead me, guide me, along the way;
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Verse 1

I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r
To help me over my weakest hour.
Help me through the darkness thy face to see.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. ***Refrain***

Verse 2

Help me tread in the paths of righteousness,
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
I am putting all . . . my trust in thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. ***Refrain***

Verse 3

I am lost if you take your hand from me,
I am blind without thy light to see.
Lord, just always let me thy servant be.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. ***Refrain***

***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.**

“Let All Things Now Living”

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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.

Verse 2

God rules all the forces: the stars in their courses
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
“To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!”

***Prayer of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. God of the sabbath, your mighty hand brought your people Israel out of the endless cycle of work in Egypt. Outstretch your arm to us today, freeing us from whatever enslaves us, so we may find rest for our weary souls in your renewing grace.

C **Amen.**

Reading

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

D A responsive reading from the book of Proverbs.
Listen for the Word of the Lord.

C **Our ears are open.**

Does not wisdom call
and understanding raise her voice?

**On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;**

beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

**“To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all who live.**

“The Lord created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.

**Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.**

When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.

**Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth,**

when he had not yet made earth and fields
or the world's first bits of soil.

**When he established the heavens, I was there;
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,**

when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,

**when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,**

when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

then I was beside him, like a master worker,

and I was daily his delight,

playing before him always,

playing in his inhabited world

and delighting in the human race.

D Word of God, Word of Life!

C **Thanks be to God!**

Reading

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

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

Observe the Sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

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

*Gospel Acclamation

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

***Gospel**

Matthew 11:28-30

P The gospel according to Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

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

[Jesus said] "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

P The gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Robin Caldwell

***Hymn of the Day**

#742, Vs. 1-3

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

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Verse 1

What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
Oh, what needless pain we bear--
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Verse 2

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged--
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Verse 3

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge--
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you;
You will find a solace there.

***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

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P In Christ Jesus we meet the God who knows our weakness and bears the wounds of the world. Therefore, let us be bold as we pray, trusting that God draws near to those in any kind of need.

Congregation sings the response:

**Deep peace of the running waves,
Deep peace of the flowing air,
Deep peace of the shining stars to you,
Deep peace of the quiet earth.**

The prayers conclude:

P O loving God, you know the needs of all the world. By your Spirit, grant that we, having turned to you in prayer, now might turn to one another in peace, tend and keep what you have made, and love our neighbor with the love of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

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

“Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus”

arr. Keveren

*Offertory Response

733, Vs. 1

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

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Verse 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
 There is no shadow of turning with thee;
 Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
 As thou has been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
 Morning by morning new mercies I see;
 All I have needed thy hand hath provided;
 Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

*Offertory Prayer

D Let us pray. Holy God, **gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, 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 the 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 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

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“Lamb of God; Your Only Son”

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Refrain

Oh Lamb of God, sweet lamb of God
I love the Holy Lamb of God.
Oh wash me in your precious blood,
my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Communion Music

471, Vs. 1-3

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

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- Verse 1

Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees.
- Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.
- Verse 2

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees. Refrain
- Verse 3

Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees. Refrain

491, Vs. 1-3

“Come, Let Us Eat”

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- Verse 1

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
Our Lord's body let us take together,
Our Lord's body let us take together.
- Verse 2

Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.
Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,
Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.
- Verse 3

In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest,
In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest.
In the presence of our Lord we gather,
In the presence of our Lord we gather.

*Blessing
C Amen.

*Prayer after Communion

- D Let us pray. O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.
- C **Amen.**

*Benediction

- C *Sing* **AMEN. AMEN. AMEN.**

*Sending Hymn

538, Vs. 1

“The Lord Now Sends Us Forth”

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The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,
To make of all the earth a better place to live.
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,
To make of all the earth a better place to live.

The angels are not sent into our world of pain
To do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name;
That falls to you and me and all who are made free.
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today.

*Sending

- D Go I peace. Serve the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

Berry