

St. John Lutheran Church

Senior Pastor, Robin E. Caldwell
Associate Pastor, Evan Mayhew



Day of Pentecost

May 19th, 2024 @ 8:30 am

2650 Plainfield Road, Joliet, IL 60435
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May Special Offering: **DAYBREAK**

Your donations will be used to support
the monthly meal that St. John volunteers provide
at the Daybreak Shelter in Joliet, IL.



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Lutheran Church

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Coming Soon!

Summer Worship Hours

Beginning Sunday, May 26th

Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

9:30 AM: Worship

Summer Potluck Coffee Hours, 8:30 AM:

June 2nd, July 7th, August 4th

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 flowers on the altar today are given by Bob & Vicki Makowka in celebration of their anniversary on May 21st.

Coffee Hour today is in recognition of Faith Milestone Sunday and in thanksgiving for Nicole Adams and family.

To sponsor altar flowers or coffee hour, sign up at stjohnjoliet.org or call the church office.

Worship Leaders – Sunday, May 19, 2024 (8:30 am)

Deacon	Kara Day
Communion Assistants	Owen Cortese
Greeters	Tom, Amy, Aubrey, & Alison Morris
Acolytes	Grace Aincham, Addison Specht
Ushers	Jon Blomquist, Ella Cortese, Reid Day, Emmett Doyle, Glenn Smith
Organ & Piano	Janet Blomquist
Music Director	Tori Hicks
Audio Board	Jon Blomquist
Livestream Team	Frank Norem, Sage Quiaoit
Counters	Frank Norem, Norm Roland
Altar Guild	Karen Becker, Jinny Buchholtz, Cheryl Lovell

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Prelude

“No. 1 Plainte”

Boellmann

Welcome and Announcements

***Thanksgiving for Baptism**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace,
our Easter and our joy.

C Amen.

P Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.
Adam and Eve beheld Eden’s verdant rivers.
The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea
into freedom’s land.
In a desert pool the Ethiopian official
entered your boundless baptismal life.

P Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By the baptism of Jesus’ death and resurrection
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,
freeing us to live as Easter people.
We rejoice with glad hearts,
giving all honor and praise to you,
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen!

“God Is Here”

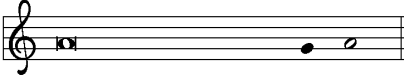
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- Verse 1** God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
May we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
Wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.
- Verse 2** Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
Here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,
Here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.
- Verse 3** Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
Here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
What it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

***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.**

*Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



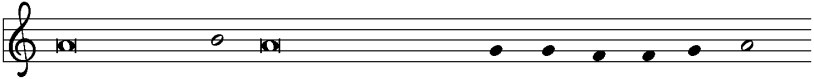
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - - men.

*Hymn of Praise

Refrain
Assisting minister

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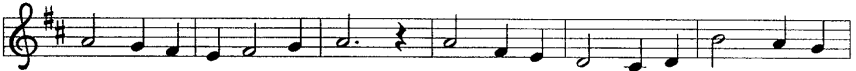


This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow- er and rich- es and wis- dom and

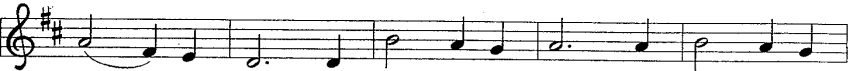


strength, and hon- or and bless- ing and glo- ry are his.

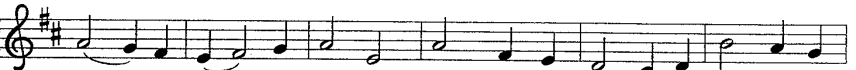
Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo- ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre- a- tion: Bless- ing and hon- or and glo- ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for- ev-er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be- gun his reign. Al - le - lu-ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Spirit of fire, your holy presence burns bright within this world. Spread your spirit throughout our communities, so that our hearts may burn with love and hope.

C **Amen.**

Reading

Acts: 2:1-4

D A reading from the book of Acts, the second chapter.

Listen for the Word of the Lord.

C **Our hearts are open.**

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

D Word of God, Word of Life!

C **Thanks be to God!**

Reading

1 Corinthians 12:1-13

D A reading from the book of First Corinthians, the twelfth chapter.

Listen for the Word of the Lord.

C **Our hearts are open.**

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be ignorant. You know that when you were gentiles you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore, I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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

*Celtic Alleluia

“Celtic Alleluia”

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Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the song "Celtic Alleluia". Both staves are in the key of D major (two sharps) and 6/8 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!" are written below the notes on both staves.

*Gospel

Mark 1:4-8

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the first chapter.
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

...so John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And the whole Judean region and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him and were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the strap of his sandals. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

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

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Ricky Korczak, Youth Preacher

Hymn of the Day

807, Vs. 1 & 3

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

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Verse 1 Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.

Verse 3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

Blessing of the Adams Family

Prayers of the Church

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In the hope of God's grace and salvation, the church prays for all the great needs of the world.

Your prayer requests may be spoken when invited during today's prayers, by filling out a green prayer request card in your pew or filling out the Prayer Request form at stjohnjoliet.org.

P Rejoicing that Jesus is risen, and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

Congregation sings this 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 Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

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 with a handshake.
Those who choose to stay in their pew may wave or give signs of peace.*

Offertory

“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”

Curry

Commitment to Community

Your offering of any amount is generous and fosters God’s grace for the world through the ministry of St. John, in service to God, to people in need in our neighborhood, across the country, and around the world.

Your offering and attendance sheets may be placed in the offering plate, or try our new online giving platform, [Tithe.ly](https://tithely.com). Thank you!



Now Accepting



“Be Not Afraid”

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Be not afraid, sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!

Be not afraid, sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia! **Repeat**

***Offertory Prayer**

D Let us pray. Risen One, **you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. 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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. 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** The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.
- C** Thanks be to God!

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

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Verse 1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

Verse 2 I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
And show me the way to the Father. **Refrain**

Verse 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
We shall know the joy of Jesus. **Refrain**

595, Vs. 1-3

“Jesus Loves Me!”

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Verse 1 Jesus loves me! This I know for the Bible tells me so,
Little ones to Him belong. They are weak but He is strong.

Refrain Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Verse 2 Jesus loves me! He who died heaven's gates to open wide;
He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. **Refrain**

Verse 3 Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me all the way;
When at last I come to die, He will take me home on high. **Refrain**

***Blessing**

C Amen.

*Prayer after Communion

- D Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.
- C **Amen.**

*Benediction

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

*Sending Hymn

677, Vs. 1, 3

“This Little Light of Mine”

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Verse 1 This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Verse 3 Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

*Sending

- D Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
- C **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

“No. 4 Postlude”

Boellmann

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SEASON OF CREATION

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

MAY 25/26 ----- THE PRAIRIE STATE

JUNE 1/2 ----- BIRDS & CICADAS & BUTTERFLIES

JUNE 8/9----- SQUIRRELS & MICE & SNAKES

JUNE 15/16 ----- SOIL & ROOTS
GUEST PREACHER: DAVID LUECHT

JUNE 22/23----- BURNS & CYCLES

JUNE 29/30 ----- BISON: BEFORE WE WERE HERE
OUTDOOR WORSHIP

A "Prairie State" of Mind



JOIN OUR TEAM

OPERATIONS MANAGER

Work with staff and members to ensure the church operates as efficiently as possible!

- Full-time, Salaried
- Paid Sick Days & Paid Time Off
- Work directly with the Senior Pastor
- Must have advanced technical skills and be very comfortable with Google Drive
- Manage Church Calendar & Building Space
- Maintain Church Management System
- Oversee Church facility maintenance and inspections
- Coordinate with Ministry Leaders

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Apply Now

Please send your resume & direct all questions to:

... robincaldwell@stjohnjoliet.org

Plant and Trunk Sale

All proceeds go toward the High School Mission Trip

Save the Date June 1st

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Save your stuff now and
get your car ready for the
trunk rummage sale.
Sign-ups coming soon!



JUNE 29TH, 2024

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM FOOD & GAMES
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM BONFIRE & MORE!

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

2ND ANNUAL CHURCHWIDE PARKING LOT PICNIC

SAVE
THE
DATE

ADDITIONAL DETAILS &
SIGN UPS TO FOLLOW



HOSTED BY THE 4:12 MINISTRY

Writing Letters for St. John Youth

Help us send our youth and leaders off to summer Campfirmation and Mission Trips with words of encouragement and prayer in a card or letter. See coordinator, Judy Wierman during Coffee Hour for more information.

Write a card or two at home or during Sunday Coffee Hour.
Reminder, no money/gift cards or gifts, just kind words!

Please Return All Letters to Church by

May 19th

College Mission Trip

College Students

San Diego, CA

June 17th

Campfirmation
8th Grade
Confirmation Students

Augustana College,
Rock Island, IL

July 8th

ELCA National Youth
Gathering
High School Students

New Orleans, Louisiana



**Drop Off
Box in the
Narthex!**



VACATION BIBLE SUNDAY

BABY IN A BASKET: GOD'S PLAN FOR MOSES AND YOU!

SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH

CHECK-IN AT 10:45AM

11:00 AM - 2:45 PM

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

NO REGISTRATION FEE

AGES 4-YEARS-OLD THROUGH ENTERING 6TH-GRADE

VOLUNTEER: ENTERING 7TH-GRADE TO ADULT

**OUR SPECIAL DONATION WILL BE INFANT DIAPERS
AND WIPES FOR ST. JOHN FOOD PANTRY**

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REGISTRATION



VOLUNTEER
REGISTRATION



Special Request:

Long time, St. John member, Jean Fitzer, will be celebrating her 100th birthday on June 2, 2024! It would be great if she could get lots of cards and well wishes on her special day. Here is Jean's address if you would like to send a card: Jean Fitzer, 13349 Line Road, Joliet, IL 60431

May

SUNDAY, MAY 19 (*Pentecost*)

College-Age Mission Trip: San Diego, CA

- 8:30am - 9:30am Worship: Sanctuary
- 9:30am - 10:15am Nicole Adams Thank You Coffee Hour: Narthex
- 10:15am - 10:45am Faith Milestone Distribution & Sunday School Teacher Recognition: Sanctuary
- 11:00am - 12:00pm Worship: Sanctuary (Faith Milestone Sunday)
- 5:30pm - 7:00pm Girl Scouts: Karin Johnson Hall

MONDAY, MAY 20

- 1:00pm - 3:00pm Staff Meeting: Trinity Room
- 5:30pm - 8:00pm A.A. Woman's Group: Karin Johnson Hall
- 6:30pm - 8:30pm Monday Night Small Group: Trinity Room
- 7:00pm - 8:00pm Al-Anon: West Wing 3 & 4

TUESDAY, MAY 21

- 5:30pm - 7:00pm Boy Scouts Committee Meeting: Narthex
- 7:00pm - 8:30pm Council Meeting: Trinity Room
- 7:00pm - 8:30pm Boy Scouts: Karin Johnson Hall

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

- 8:30am - 12:00pm Food Pantry Volunteer Shift: Karin Johnson Hall
- 8:15pm - 9:15pm HS Fire: Youth Room

THURSDAY, MAY 23

- 9:00am - 11:30am Coffee with Friends (Women): Trinity Room
- 9:00am - 1:00pm Food Pantry Volunteer Shift: Karin Johnson Hall
- 2:00pm - 6:00pm Food Pantry Volunteer Shift: Karin Johnson Hall
- 4:00pm - 7:00pm Food Pantry Volunteer Shift: Karin Johnson Hall
- 4:00pm - 6:00pm Food Pantry Distribution Online Orders: West Wing
- 7:00pm - 8:00pm A.A. Men's Group: Zoom
- 7:00pm - 8:30pm Praise Team: Sanctuary

FRIDAY, MAY 24 (*Church Office Closed*)

- 9:00am - 11:00am Quilters: West Wing 5
- 9:00am - 10:30am Meals on Wheels: Senior Services of Will County, Mark Frost
- 9:30am - 11:30am MOPS: Narthex

SATURDAY, MAY 25

- 7:00am - 11:00am Food Pantry Volunteer Shifts: Narthex & Karin Johnson Hall
- 8:00am - 10:00am Food Pantry Distribution Drive-Thru: Parking Lot
- 5:30pm - 6:30pm Worship: Sanctuary

SUNDAY, MAY 26

- 9:30am - 10:30am Worship: Sanctuary

MONDAY, MAY 27 (*Memorial Day*) (*Church Office Closed*)

- 5:30pm - 8:00pm A.A. Woman's Group: Karin Johnson Hall
- 7:00pm - 8:00pm Al-Anon: West Wing 3 & 4

**Check "stjohnfood.org" for Food Pantry distribution times and volunteer opportunities.*