

St. John Lutheran Church



Our Inheritance on Earth



Commitment
to Community

8:30am
Sunday
June 19, 2022



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for all sign ups



Summer Musicians

Singers and instrumentalists - share your musical gifts during worship solo or in an ensemble. See [Tori Hicks](mailto:ToriHicks@stjohnjoliet.org) or email her at torihicks@stjohnjoliet.org.

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!

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!

Summer Connections

- **ADULT WOMEN!** Coffee with Friends meets at 9am on Thursdays. Check our Facebook page or call the church office for location.
- **VOLUNTEER AT OUR FOOD PANTRY!** Visit stjohnfood.org to see available shifts and hours. Families, individuals, scouts and groups welcome. Distribution on Saturdays via drive thru.
- **DAYBREAK OPPORTUNITIES!** St. John volunteers prepare, transport and serve 1 dinner a month for our homeless neighbors at Daybreak Center, 611 East Cass Ave. in Joliet. See a pastor to volunteer.



Thanks



for helping to feed
our neighbors.

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 Mike & Sandy Smith in celebration of their 35th wedding anniversary.

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



Worship Leaders – Sunday, June 19, 2022 (8:30 am)

Deacon	Glenn Smith
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**Indicates Congregation, Please Stand*

Prelude

“Siciliana”

Alcock

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.**

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

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Verse 1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

Verse 3 Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ, who suffered in our place;
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory; praise the One who make us one.

***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. Gracious and holy God, give us diligence to seek you, wisdom to perceive you, and patience to wait for you. Grant us, O God, a mind to meditate on you; eyes to behold you; ears to listen for your word; a heart to love you; and a life to proclaim you; through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Psalm 22:19-28

D A responsive reading from Psalm 22. Listen for the Word of the Lord.

C **Our ears are open.**

But you, O Lord, be not far away;

O my help, hasten to my aid.

**Deliver me from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog.**

Save me from the lion's mouth!

From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.

**I will declare your name to my people;
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.**

You who fear the Lord, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.

Stand in awe of the Lord, all you off-spring of Israel.

For the Lord does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;

neither is the Lord's face hidden from them;

but when they cry out, the Lord hears them.

From you comes my praise in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the Lord.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,

Let those who seek the Lord give praise! May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

all the families of nations shall bow before God.

For dominion belongs to the Lord,

who rules over the nations.

D Word of God, Word of Life!

C **Thanks be to God!**

Reading

Galatians 3:23-29

D A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians.
Listen for the Word of the Lord.

C **Our ears are open.**

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore, the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

D Word of God, Word of Life!

C **Thanks be to God!**

*Gospel Acclamation

S 142a

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 25:31-45

P The gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

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

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’

P The gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you O Christ.**

Children’s Sermon

Sermon

Mark Frost

“Jesus Shall Reign”

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Verse 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run;
His Kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

Verse 2 To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown his head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With ev'ry morning sacrifice.

Verse 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our king;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud amen.

***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

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Chisholm arr. Christopher

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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. **Repeat**

“What Feast of Love”

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- Verse 1

What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!
- Verse 2

What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heaven.
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given!
- Verse 3

What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the sweetest wine of heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is given!

494, Vs. 1, 2, 4

“For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

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- Verse 1

For the bread which you have broken,
For the wine which you have poured,
For the words which you have spoken,
Now we give you thanks, O Lord.
- Verse 2

By the promise that you love us,
By your gift of peace restored,
By your call to heav’n above us,
Hallow all our lives, O Lord.
- Verse 4

In your service, Lord, defend us;
In our hearts keep watch and ward;
In the world to which you send us
Let your kingdom come, O Lord.

***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

674, Vs. 3

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

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Verse 3 Jesus calls us in, sends us out
Bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
Gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God, Immanuel, everywhere!

Refrain Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
Twice Pass the Word around: loaves abound!

*Sending

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

Postlude

“Trumpet Voluntary”

Travers

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