

St. John
Lutheran Church

God's World Wide Web



of Creation

The Sounds and Sights
of God's Goodness

10am
Sunday
August 14, 2022



Commitment
to Community



Sign up at stjohnjoliet.org



Sunday SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Sign up at stjohnjoliet.org.

Sunday School begins Sun., September 18th.

Open!

This Sunday, August 14th

10am Outdoor Worship


Come as you are! Bring a friend! Enjoy God's creation!

- Location: In the back of the parking lot in the shade
- Bring: A chair to sit on
- Reminder: This is the last summer 10am service
- *8:30am worship in the Sanctuary as usual*

6-9pm High School Mission Trip Return Dinner

Join us at 6pm to see and hear what the HS students did on their mission trip to Wisconsin. It will be a nice evening of food and sharing.

Music for Everyone, Sign up online



At St. John, music is for everyone! We can teach you how to read music to sing or play handbells.
Sept. 7th, Youth Choir at 6pm, St. John Chorale at 7pm
Sept. 12th, Handbell Choir

Sneak Peak...HAM Food Pantry

Support Us. Serve with Us during Hunger Action Month in September with special family volunteer events each Thursday night. Details soon.

August Special Offering: Helping Hands

Use a blue envelope or visit stjohnjoliet.org to give a gift to St. John Helping Hands. 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 the Altar Guild.
To sponsor altar flowers for our worship space,
sign up at stjohnjoliet.org or call the church office.*



Worship Leaders – Sunday, August 14, 2022 (10:00 am)

Deacon	Kristen Vorrier
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Piano & Organ	Janet Blomquist
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 **St. John Lutheran Church, Joliet**

**Indicates Congregation, Please Stand*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept to reflect on the ways we have turned from God this week.

Let us pray. **Holy God, Creator of all that is, we confess to you that we have sinned. We have failed in our care for the land and its creatures. We have been greedy, destructive, and wasteful of the resources you entrusted to us. Polluted air and water, eroded soil and salty earth, birds and animals deprived of habitat, and neighbors left hungry and thirsty by our selfishness: all these cry out against us. We do not know how to restore what we have damaged. We repent in sorrow and distress. Forgive us, we pray, and have mercy. Give us grace to change our ways, to make amends, and to work together for the healing of the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

God promises a new creation. God's Spirit renews the hearts of God's people. God's Spirit moves over the face of the earth. God's Spirit calls us to action. We are free to choose a new way for us and God's creation! Therefore, I declare to you: your sins are forgiven, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Blessing of our Fire Pit

*Opening Song

“Here I Am to Worship”

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Verse 1 Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You.

Chorus Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.

Verse 2 King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly You came to the earth You created,
All for love's sake became poor. **Repeat Chorus**

Bridge I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.

Repeat Bridge & Chorus
Here I am to worship. **Repeat**

*Greeting and 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 of majesty, in the midst of your marvelous creation you
sought us out, crowned us with glory and honor, and tasked us with the
care of your many mysterious works on this planet. Enable us to steward
our earth with humility, that all creation may radiate your splendor, and
we may be filled with wonder in return. We pray in the name of your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Psalm 8

D A responsive reading from Psalm 8. Listen for the Word of the Lord.

C **Our ears are open.**

O Lord our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

**what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?**

Yet you have made them little less than divine;

with glory and honor you crown them.

**You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:**

all flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

O Lord our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

D Word of God, Word of Life!

C **Thanks be to God!**

Reading

Job 37:1-5, 14-17, 21-23

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

C **Our ears are open.**

Elihu spoke to Job, “At [these wonders] my heart trembles and leaps out of its place. Listen, listen to the thunder of his voice and the rumbling that comes from his mouth. Under the whole heaven he lets it loose, and his lightning to the corners of the earth. After it his voice roars; he thunders with his majestic voice, and he does not restrain the lightnings when his voice is heard. God thunders wondrously with his voice; he does great things that we cannot comprehend.

Hear this, O Job; stop and consider the wondrous works of God. Do you know how God lays his command upon the sky and causes the lightning of his cloud to shine? Do you know the balancings of the clouds, the wondrous works of the one whose knowledge is perfect, you whose garments are hot when the earth is still because of the south wind?

Now, no one can look on the light when it is bright in the skies, when the wind has passed and cleared them. Out of the north comes golden splendor; around God is awesome majesty. The Almighty—we cannot find him; he is great in power and justice, and abundant righteousness he will not violate.”

D Word of God, Word of Life!

C **Thanks be to God!**

*Gospel Acclamation

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“Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil”

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Lord, let my heart be good soil,
Open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
Where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

*Gospel

Mark 4:35-41

P The gospel according to Mark, the fourth chapter.

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

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion, and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" And waking up, he rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Be silent! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

P The gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Fireflies and Crickets

Sermon

Pastor Evan Mayhew

*Hymn of the Day

"Our God"

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Verse 1 Water You turned into wine,
Opened the eyes of the blind;
There's no one like You,
None like You.

Verse 2 Into the darkness You shine,
Out of the ashes we rise;
There's no one like You,
None like You.

Chorus Our God is greater,
Our God is stronger;
God You are higher than any other.
Our God is healer,
Awesome in power, our God, our God. **Repeat Verse 2**

Repeat Chorus

Bridge And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us,
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against? **Repeat Bridge**

What could stand against?

Repeat Chorus Twice

***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.

Gratitude for the Work of our Green Team & Youth Service Team

Prayers of the Church

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P Guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in 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 God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

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

*Offertory Response

“What Can I Do”

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Chorus

What can I do but thank You?
What can I do but give my life to You?
Hallelujah, hallelujah!
What can I do but praise You?
Every day make ev'rything I do a hallelujah,
A hallelujah! Hallelujah!

***Offertory Prayer**

D Let us pray. Holy God, **you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, and growth in grace. Accept the gifts we offer here. Use them to nurture your church, this community, and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. 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; 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**

Communion Music

“Your Name”

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Verse 1 As morning dawns and evening fades,
You inspire songs of praise
That rise from earth to touch Your heart
And glorify Your Name.

Chorus Your Name is a strong and mighty tower;
Your Name is a shelter like no other;
Your Name - let the nations sing it louder,
'Cause nothing has the power to save
But Your Name.

Verse 2 Jesus, in Your Name we pray
Come and fill our hearts today.
Lord, give us strength to live for You
And glorify Your Name. ***Repeat Chorus Twice***

*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 others with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

*Benediction

C Amen. (spoken)

*Sending Song

“Lead Me, Lord”

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Lead me, Lord, I will follow.
Lead me, Lord, I will go.
You have called me, I will answer.
Lead me, Lord, I will go. **Repeat**

*Sending

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

Postlude

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10TH GRADE STUDENTS

End of Confirmation Bonfire at St. John



THIS Wednesday, Aug. 17th
7pm

HS FIRE on recess

Rite of Confirmation Sanctuary

NEXT Sunday, Aug. 21st
8:30am and 11am

Fall worship
time begins



Both 8:30am and
11am services will
livestream