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November 8, 2020

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church. If you are a guest or visitor with us today, we welcome you and invite you to come and worship with us again. Please take the time to introduce yourself to Pastor Hayes, and we hope to see you again soon.

Remember that the Worship Service begins when you enter. As the Music for Meditation begins, you are invited to join in quiet, preparation time for worship. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

Liturgy – Divine Service Setting Three (Page 184)

Opening Hymn: 607 "From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee"

Hymn of the Day: 611 "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

Distribution Hymn: 606 "I Lay My Sins on Jesus"

Distribution Hymn: 851 "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

Distribution Hymn: 676 "Behold a Host, Arrayed in White"

Closing Hymn: 728 "How Firm a Foundation"

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please e-mail prayer requests to Pastor Hayes at pastor.hayes@outlook.com.

Prayer requests will remain for 2 weeks unless you specify a length of time.

Raymond Ohlde, Angie Reinert, LaVon Hornbostel, Lula Stuenkel, Marilyn Ohlde, & Loraine Oldehoeft (our nursing home residents)

Kamden Peters (eye surgery)

Cameron Hubbard

Robbie Oelschlager (chronic pain)

Kelly & Quinn Rhoades

Acolyte this Sunday - Gretchen Bott

Acolytes next Sunday - Zac Hiltgen

Ushers this Sunday - *Andrew Tiemeyer, John Bott, Eli Ohlde, & Nathan Ohlde

Ushers next Sunday - *John Bott, Brady Kolle, Jacob Bott, & Cody Ohlde

LYF Fellowship Hour duty today - Ryan Stuenkel & Sophia Bott

LYF Fellowship Hour duty Nov. 15th & 22nd - Claire Beikmann & Elijah Meier

Upcoming Events

November 8

9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Children's Sunday School
5:00 p.m. LYF event in Pastor's basement

November 9

7:00 p.m. LWML Meeting

November 11

5:30-6:30 p.m. Mid-Week & Confirmation

November 15

9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Children's Sunday School

Announcements

- * The men of St. John have been invited to join with the Zion Men's Group this coming Monday evening, **November 9th, at 7 p.m.** at Just Left. There will be food, football, fun, and fellowship. Bring a friend, too!
- * Sunday, Nov. 29th, will be the 1st Christmas program practice. We will practice after church during Sunday School from 10:45-11:30 a.m. Preschoolers will go to Sunday School from 10:45-11:05 a.m. and then join program practice till 11:30 a.m. Please direct questions to Mr. Beikmann. Debi Hornkohl will be in charge of preschoolers.
- * We've been asked to gather three items for the Angel Tree collection for Christmas: deodorant, body wash, and boxes of turkey stuffing; donations should be put in the parish hall and are due on or before **December 6th**.
- * The Linn Lutheran Endowment Benefit Auction will be held on **Sat., Nov. 21st**:
 - * Silent Auction & Meal: 5:30-7:00 p.m.; Live Auction: 7:00 p.m. - ???
 - * Meal prices: adults - \$10; children 6-12 - \$5; children 5 & under - free
- * New funeral planning worksheets are now available. It is an act of love to consider how you want to confess your faith in Christ with your funeral for the benefit of your loved ones. These sheets need not be completed in their entirety. Please return them to Pastor's box. (If you have previously done this, a copy of the information we have is in your church box. Take no action to leave "as-is," or return the new form to make revisions).
- * The Linn Lutheran School Endowment Fund Benefit Auction will be held on **Saturday, Nov. 21st**. Any donation submissions from now on will be printed in the auction supplement. Donated items are needed by **Thursday, Nov. 19th**. Thank you for your continued support of Christian education in our community!
- * Unfortunately, the LLL Zone 7 convention scheduled for **TODAY, Nov. 8th** at the WCHS gymnasium has been cancelled due to concerns of COVID-19 by the school.
- * This week on KFUO.org, begin studying 2 Timothy on Sharper Iron's "The Word is Trustworthy" series (**weekdays at 8 a.m.**), continue in 2 Samuel on Thy Strong Word (**weekdays at 11 a.m.**), consider a curious theological topic on Cross Defense (**Monday, 11/9, at 2 p.m.**), and study the practicality of our Lutheran Confessions on Concord Matters (**Tuesday, 11/10, at 2 p.m.**). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His Table those who trust His words, repent all sins, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily, according to Holy Scripture, do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain from communing with us until such a time as they are properly instructed.

A short, more detailed explanation of our Confessional practice is available from our Ushers or Elders. If you would like to learn more about the Sacrament of the Altar and our confessional position, I would be happy to visit with you.

-Rev. Joshua Hayes, Pastor, St. John Ev. Lutheran Church

In preparation for Holy Communion, you may use the following statements as part of your self-examination:

- I admit that I am a sinner. **(1 John 1:8-10)**
- I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, from Satan and death. **(Acts 4:10-12; John 14:6)**
- I desire to live as God wants me to. **(John 14:15; 1 John 2:6)**
- I am sure of my eternal salvation because Jesus died for me and rose again. **(John 3:16; Romans 8:14; & 1 John 5:11-12)**
- I believe the Risen Christ is really present in Holy Communion and that with the bread and wine I receive His Body and Blood. **(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 4:22-24; 1 Cor. 10:16, 22:23ff; Luke 22:17-20)**
- I forgive those who have wronged me.



Introit (*Psalm 130:1-2, 7-8; antiphon: vv. 3-4*)

If you, O Lord, should mark in- | iquities,*
O Lord, | who could stand?
But with you there is for- | givenness,*
that you | may be feared.

Out | of the depths*

I cry to you, | O Lord!

O Lord, | hear my voice!*

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!

**O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is | steadfast love,*
and with him is plentiful re- | demption.**

And he will redeem | Israel*

from all his in- | iquities.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

If you, O Lord, should mark in- | iquities,*
O Lord, | who could stand?
But with you there is for- | givenness,*
that you | may be feared.

Collect for the Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

* To join the audio broadcast from the parking lot during the service, tune in to FM 107.9. You may also come and listen from the parish hall, if it makes you more comfortable. Pastor can bring Holy Communion to you either way.

Please email any announcements for the bulletin to Theresa at
theresa_meier@yahoo.com by noon on Friday.

Old Testament Reading: *Micah 6:6-8*

⁶ “With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?
⁷ Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”
⁸ He has told you, O man, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Epistle Reading: *Philippians 1:3-11*

³ I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴ always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶ And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷ It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸ For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹ And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰ so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 18:21-35*

²¹ Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²² Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.
²³ “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should

pay the debt. ³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³² Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵ So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

As We Gather...

Walking humbly with our God and forgiving one another

With what shall we come before the Lord (**Micah 6:6**) who forgives all our sins, and how often shall our fellow Christians sin against us and we forgive them (**Matthew 18:21**)? Our gracious God on high does not need our “burnt offerings” or “thousands of rams” (**Micah 6:6-7**), which we could legitimately offer in thanksgiving. He is the Savior who gave His only-begotten Son for our transgression. He offers the fruit of His body, once hanging dead on a cross but now living and giving life in His holy Meal, for the sin of our souls (**Micah 6:7**). Because He releases us from our enormous debt of sin against Him, we need not imprison our fellow sinners with our lack of love and refusal of forgiveness (**Matthew 18:24, 27, 30**). As partakers of His grace, we yearn for one another “with the affection of Christ Jesus” (**Philippians 1:8**). As forgiven sinners, “filled with the fruit of Christ’s righteousness,” our “love may abound more and more, with knowledge and discernment” (**Philippians 1:11, 9**), for He leads us “to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with [our] God” (**Micah 6:8**).

MORNING PRAYER

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life my please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

CATECHETICAL REVIEW

An Explanation of the Small Catechism The Apostles' Creed - The Second Article *(Continued)*

The Savior in the State of Humiliation

126. What two states do the Scriptures distinguish in Christ's work of salvation?

- A. The state of humiliation
- B. The state of exaltation

127. What was Christ's humiliation?

Christ's humiliation was that as man He did not always or fully use His divine powers.

447 **Philippians 2:5-8** - Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a servant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross (NKJV).

Bible narratives: Wedding at Cana (**John 2:1-11**). Raising of Lazarus (**John 11:38-44**). Rays of hidden glory (**John 18:1-6**).

128. Which words of the Apostles' Creed describe the stages of Christ's humiliation?

"Conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried."

129. What do the Scriptures teach about Christ's conception?

They teach that Christ, the Son of God, received a true human body and soul in the Virgin Mary through the miraculous power of the Holy Spirit, not through a human father.

448 **Luke 1:35** - The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

449 **Matthew 1:20** - Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

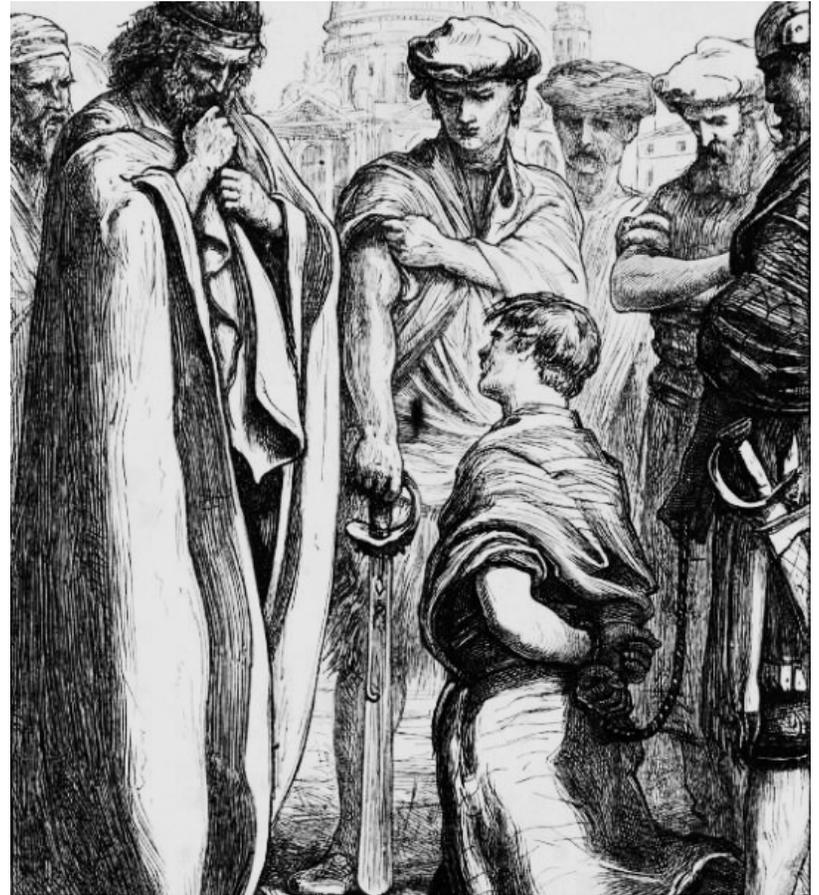
130. What do the Scriptures teach of the birth of Christ?

They teach that Jesus Christ, the God-man, was born of the Virgin Mary.

450 **Isaiah 7:14** - The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call Him Immanuel. (See also **Matthew 1:23**.)

451 **Luke 2:7** - She gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.
Bible narrative: The virgin birth (**Matthew 1:18-25**).

The Sunday of the Unforgiving Servant



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