

## St. John Ev. Lutheran Church

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**June 2nd, 2019**

### Seventh Sunday of Easter

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 Gruoner, 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:** 433 "Glory Be to Jesus"

**Sermon Hymn:** 648 "Glorious Things of You Are Spoken"

**Communion Hymn:** 633 "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

**Communion Hymn:** 636 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

**Closing Hymn:** 659 "Lord of Our Life"

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please e-mail prayer requests to Pastor Holtorf at [gholtorf@bluevalley.net](mailto:gholtorf@bluevalley.net).  
Prayer requests will remain for 2 weeks unless you specify a length of time.

**Robbie Oelschlager – chronic pain**

**Kelly & Quinn Rhoades**

**Landon Ohlde**

**Acolyte this Sunday** - Ayla Johnson

**Acolyte next Sunday** - Mason Tiemeyer

**Ushers this Sunday** - \*Eli Thalmann, Evan Bott, Tyler Ohlde, & Cody Ohlde

**Ushers next Sunday** - \*Brady Kolle, Jacob Bott, Brett Peters, & Trey Voelker

**LYF mowing June 8** - Ella & Eli Thalmann

**LYF mowing June 15** - Claire Beikmann & Ashley Gerleve

### Upcoming Events

**June 2**

8:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
1:00-3:00 p.m. Open House for Gruoners at Zion

**June 9**

8:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
7:30 p.m. Voters Mtg for purpose of Calling a Pastor

**June 16**

8:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

### Announcements

- ✦ A special collection this Sunday, June 2nd, will be taken for Nebraska Flood Relief.
- ✦ Please take note of the special Voters Meeting that will be held on Sunday, June 9th, for the purpose of Calling a Pastor.
- ✦ A big "Thank you!" to everyone who taught Sunday School this past year! Special thanks goes to David Beikmann for taking over Kids' Choir in January and also to Theresa Meier and Renae Bott for teaching the majority of the year! Remember to mark your calendars for VBS here at St. John July 8th-12th. Have a great summer!
- ✦ **ENDOWMENT GIVING PROGRAM:** St. John's has approximately \$8900 left in matching funds. After July 15, both Zion and St. John's members will be free to use the remainder of these funds. Remember, your donation helps reduce the church's bill to the school. Please prayerfully consider making a donation today, which may be mailed to the school or given to a Linn Lutheran staff member.
- ✦ Please help Pastor and Karlene Gruoner celebrate 40 years in ministry and marriage by attending an open house in their honor **TODAY**, June 2nd, at Zion in Linn, from 1-3 p.m.; there will be a door offering to benefit the Orphan Grain Train. Cards may be sent to P.O. Box 343, Linn, KS 66953.
- ✦ Linn Lutheran School is accepting applications for a part-time classroom aide for the 2019-20 school year. Contact the school office @348-5792 for more info and an application. Linn Lutheran is a great place to grow!
- ✦ Do you have a child beginning Preschool in the Fall? They can also begin Sunday School! Please message or call Ann Ohlde at 632-0127 to sign up.
- ✦ The Kansas Honor Flight is now one of the places you can direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars. Many area veterans have enjoyed this well deserved trip to visit the monuments of our nation's capital. Every dollar donated to the Honor Flight goes to trip expenses to honor our veterans as the staff is completely volunteer.

Please email any announcements for the bulletin to Theresa at  
[theresa\\_meier@yahoo.com](mailto:theresa_meier@yahoo.com) by noon on Friday.

## 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. David Gruoner, Vacancy 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



Hear my cry, | O God,\*

listen | to my prayer;

**for you have been my | refuge,\***

**a strong tower against the | enemy.**

**For you, O God, have | heard my vows;\***

**you have given me the heritage of those who | fear your name.**

**Prolong the life | of the king;\***

**may his years endure to all gener- | ations!**

**May he be enthroned forever be- | fore God;\***

**appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch | over him!**

**So will I ever sing praises | to your name,\***

**as I perform my vows day | after day.**

**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.**

Hear my cry, | O God,\*

listen | to my prayer.

### Collect for the Seventh Sunday of Easter

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### From "A Summary of the Christian Faith" by David Chytraeus (1568)

*What is the Gospel?*

The Gospel is the promise concerning Christ, or the teaching not known by nature but produced from the secret counsel of the Godhead through the Son. In it God, out of His boundless mercy, for the sake of Christ, His Son, freely promises the forgiveness of sins, righteousness, the Holy Spirit and eternal life to all who repent and embrace these promised blessings by faith.

The sum of the Gospel is Christ's statement: "God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him might not perish but have everlasting life." Rom. 3: "We are justified freely by the grace of God through the redemption which is in Christ, whom God put forward as an expiation by His blood to be received by faith," etc.

\* The quotation above is by David Chytraeus and is from his 1568 work A Summary of the Christian Faith. The English translation is by Rev. Dr. Richard Dinda and is published by Repristination Press.

## First Reading: Acts 1:12-26

12 Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. 13 And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. 14 All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

15 In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, 16 "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. 17 For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry."

18 (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. 19 And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) 20 "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate,  
and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"Let another take his office.'

21 So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, 22 beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." 23 And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. 24 And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen 25 to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." 26 And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

## Epistle Reading: Revelation 22:1-6, 12-20

1 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. 3 No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. 4 They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 5 And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

6 And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place." . . .

12 "Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done. 13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates.

15 Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

16 "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

17 The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

18 I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

20 He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

## Gospel Reading: John 17:20-26

20 [Jesus said:] "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, 21 that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. 22 The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, 23 I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. 24 Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 25 O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. 26 I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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This week on KFUE.org, we move from the Gospel of John into the book of Numbers on Thy Strong Word with host Rev. AJ Espinosa and guest pastors (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), study the Truth in Genesis 31-34 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and hear God's Word in scripture and hymns during Daily Chapel broadcast live from the LCMS IC at 10:00 a.m. CT. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org!

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## CATECHETICAL REVIEW

### Section 3 TABLE OF DUTIES

CERTAIN PASSAGES OF SCRIPTURE FOR VARIOUS HOLY ORDERS AND POSITIONS,  
ADMONISHING THEM ABOUT THEIR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

#### Of Citizens

Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's. **Matt. 22:21**

It is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience. This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. **Rom. 13:5-7**

I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior. **1 Tim. 2:1-3**

Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good. **Titus 3:1**

Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men: whether to the king, as the supreme authority, or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right. **1 Peter 2:13-14**

#### To Husbands

Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers. **1 Peter 3:7**

Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them. **Col. 3:19**

#### To Wives

Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. **Eph. 5:22**

They were submissive to their own husbands, like Sarah, who obeyed Abraham and called him her master. You are her daughters if you do what is right and do not give way to fear. **1 Peter 3:5-6**

#### To Parents

Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. **Eph. 6:4**

#### To Children

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" - which is the first commandment with a promise - "that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." **Eph. 6:1-3**



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