

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



*There he [Elijah] came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him.  
1 Kings 19:9a*

Third Sunday After Pentecost  
June 23/26, 2022

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(To Our Guests: The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. John Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. 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 The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymn and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased. Please note that there is a cup of white grape juice in each tray which contains a drop of wine for those who prefer grape juice. Thank you!)

**AS WE GATHER...** When you feel all alone, remember this: you are not alone. First, you are not alone in feeling that way. In today's Old Testament Reading, you will see how even Elijah, the mighty prophet of God, felt all alone. "I, even I only, am left!" he exclaimed (1 Kings 19:10). That was his honest feeling; however, it wasn't true. The Lord revealed to Elijah that He had not abandoned His prophet, even reassuring Elijah of this by providing Elisha as his helper in proclaiming the Word of the Lord. God's presence and provision in Elijah's life reassured him of his divine purpose, and the same is true for you! Even when you may think or feel that you are alone, you are not! God's presence and provision, which you will receive yet again today, reassure you of this! Jesus is with you! He loves you! And He sends His Spirit into your life to give you His purpose and direction, reminding you that you belong to Him!

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP HELPS...** Please know we have two children's worship bulletins available for young non-readers and older children. Both bulletins have activities that go along with the weekly theme. We also have activity bags for children hanging on the rear wall of the church for use throughout the worship service. If needed we have a cry room/nursery (with changing table) behind the organ in the southwest corner of the church.

## ♪ PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

## RINGING OF THE BELL

## WELCOME

### Confession and Absolution

#### 819 Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

- 1 Sing praise to God, the highest good,  
The author of creation,  
The God of love who understood  
Our need for His salvation.  
With healing balm our souls He fills  
And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:  
To God all praise and glory!
  
- 2 What God's almighty pow'r has made,  
In mercy He is keeping.  
By morning glow or evening shade  
His eye is never sleeping.  
Within the kingdom of His might

All things are just and good and right:  
To God all praise and glory!

3 We sought the Lord in our distress;  
O God, in mercy hear us.  
Our Savior saw our helplessness  
And came with peace to cheer us.  
For this we thank and praise the Lord,  
Who is by one and all adored:  
To God all praise and glory!

4 He never shall forsake His flock,  
His chosen generation;  
He is their refuge and their rock,  
Their peace and their salvation.  
As with a mother's tender hand,  
He leads His own, His chosen band:  
To God all praise and glory!

5 All who confess Christ's holy name,  
Give God the praise and glory.  
Let all who know His pow'r proclaim  
Aloud the wondrous story.  
Cast ev'ry idol from its throne,  
For God is God, and He alone:  
To God all praise and glory!

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*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Stand*

### **Service of the Word**

**Introit** *Ps. 85:8–10, 13; antiphon: Ps. 85:7*

Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,  
and grant us your salvation.

**Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,  
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.**

Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,  
that glory may dwell in our land.

**Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;  
righteousness and peace kiss each other.**

Righteousness will go before him  
and make his footsteps a way.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,  
and grant us your salvation.

**Kyrie** *LSB 152*

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P 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.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

### **This Is the Feast** *LSB 155*

C **This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.  
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray...

**All: Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

*Sit*

**Old Testament Reading** *1 Kings 19:9b–21 (Elijah listens to God's Word and receives his provision.)*

<sup>9</sup>There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." <sup>11</sup>And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. <sup>12</sup>And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. <sup>13</sup>And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>14</sup>He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." <sup>15</sup>And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. <sup>16</sup>And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup>And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. <sup>18</sup>Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

<sup>19</sup>So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. <sup>20</sup>And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" <sup>21</sup>And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm** *Psalm 16 (The Lord is my portion and my cup.)*

<sup>1</sup>Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

**<sup>2</sup>I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;  
I have no good apart from you."**

<sup>3</sup>As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones,  
in whom is all my delight.

**<sup>4</sup>The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;  
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out  
or take their names on my lips.**

<sup>5</sup>The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;  
you hold my lot.

**<sup>6</sup>The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;  
indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup>I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
in the night also my heart instructs me.

**<sup>8</sup>I have set the LORD always before me;  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

<sup>9</sup>Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;  
my flesh also dwells secure.

**<sup>10</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,  
or let your holy one see corruption.**

<sup>11</sup>You make known to me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy;  
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**Epistle Galatians 5:1, 13–25** (*The fruit of the Spirit is present in those who belong to Christ Jesus.*)

<sup>1</sup>For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

<sup>13</sup>For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. <sup>14</sup>For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>15</sup>But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

<sup>16</sup>But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup>For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. <sup>18</sup>But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. <sup>19</sup>Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, <sup>20</sup>idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, <sup>21</sup>envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup>And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

<sup>25</sup>If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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**Alleluia and Verse LSB 156**

C **Alleluia.**  
**Lord, to whom shall we go?**  
**You have the words of eternal life.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Holy Gospel Luke 9:51–62** (*Jesus sets His face toward Jerusalem and calls His followers to purposefully proclaim the Kingdom of God.*)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.

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

<sup>51</sup>When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup>And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. <sup>53</sup>But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup>And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to tell

fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" <sup>55</sup>But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup>And they went on to another village.

<sup>57</sup>As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."  
<sup>58</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head."  
<sup>59</sup>To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father."  
<sup>60</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God."  
<sup>61</sup>Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home."  
<sup>62</sup>Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

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### **Children's Message**

#### **688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake**

- 1 "Come, follow Me," the Savior spake,  
"All in My way abiding;  
Deny yourselves, the world forsake,  
Obey My call and guiding.  
O bear the cross, whate'er betide,  
Take My example for your guide.
- 2 "I am the light, I light the way,  
A godly life displaying;  
I bid you walk as in the day;  
I keep your feet from straying.  
I am the way, and well I show  
How you must sojourn here below.
- 3 "My heart abounds in lowliness,  
My soul with love is glowing;  
And gracious words My lips express,  
With meekness overflowing.  
My heart, My mind, My strength, My all,  
To God I yield, on Him I call.
- 4 "I teach you how to shun and flee  
What harms your soul's salvation,

Your heart from ev'ry guile to free,  
From sin and its temptation.  
I am the refuge of the soul  
And lead you to your heav'nly goal."

5 Then let us follow Christ, our Lord,  
And take the cross appointed  
And, firmly clinging to His Word,  
In suff'ring be undaunted.  
For those who bear the battle's strain  
The crown of heav'nly life obtain.

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**Sermon** "I Will Come in a Gentle Whisper" (1 Kings 19:9b-21)

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**Nicene Creed**

**C I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,**

**whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayer of the Church**

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have created us in Your image and called us into fellowship with Your Son, Jesus Christ, by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Help us to know that You are always with us—guiding our steps, providing for our lives, hearing our prayers, and answering us in ways that are for our good and that bring glory to Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: You reign over all the universe as King of kings and Lord of lords! In You, Lord Jesus, all things are held together. In You, Lord Jesus, we live and move and have our being. You provide well for all those who belong to You. Grant us hearts to receive Your Word, hands to extend Your love to others, and feet to walk by Your Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Holy Spirit, when we feel lost and alone, remind us of Your never-failing love. Instill in us the readiness to be led by You in the purpose that You give to all who follow Jesus Christ. Send Your Church out into every corner of the world to proclaim the Good News of life and salvation in our Savior's death and resurrection. Until the day He comes again, grant that we never grow tired of sharing the Gospel with our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Merciful Lord, we pray Your blessing upon all who lead and govern us, for all who protect us from harm and danger, and for all who work for the well-being of our communities, our state, and our nation. Grant that Your presence and provision be known in our families and in the lives of our children. Remind those who are homebound, hospitalized, or ailing in any way that they are never alone, for You are always with them. [*Grant Your healing mercies to those we name before You, especially . . .*] Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into Your faithful hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all those for whom we pray, ever trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

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## **Offering**

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### **Offertory** *LSB 159*

- C **What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## **Service of the Sacrament**

### **Preface** *LSB 160*

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 Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. By His Holy Spirit, we who belong to Christ Jesus are called to lives of purpose as You provide us with Your presence and never-failing mercy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**Sanctus** *LSB 161*

- C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Lord's Prayer** *LSB 162*

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:**  
**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.**

**The Words of Our Lord**

*LSB 162*

**Pax Domini** *LSB 163*

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.**  
**C Amen.**

**Agnus Dei** *LSB 163*

- C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*Sit*

**Distribution Hymns**

**698 May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill**

- 1        May we Thy precepts, Lord, fulfill  
          And do on earth our Father's will  
          As angels do above;  
          Still walk in Christ, the living way,  
          With all Thy children and obey  
          The law of Christian love.
- 2        So may we join Thy name to bless,  
          Thy grace adore, Thy pow'r confess,  
          From sin and strife to flee.  
          One is our calling, one our name,  
          The end of all our hopes the same,  
          A crown of life with Thee.
- 3        Spirit of life, of love and peace,  
          Unite our hearts, our joy increase,  
          Thy gracious help supply.  
          To each of us the blessing give  
          In Christian fellowship to live,  
          In joyful hope to die.

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## **702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee**

- 1        My faith looks up to Thee,  
          Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
          Savior divine.  
          Now hear me while I pray;  
          Take all my guilt away;  
          O let me from this day  
          Be wholly Thine!
- 2        May Thy rich grace impart  
          Strength to my fainting heart;  
          My zeal inspire!  
          As Thou hast died for me,  
          Oh, may my love to Thee  
          Pure, warm, and changeless be,  
          A living fire!
- 3        While life's dark maze I tread  
          And griefs around me spread,

Be Thou my guide;  
Bid darkness turn to day,  
Wipe sorrow's tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray  
From Thee aside.

- 4 When ends life's transient dream,  
When death's cold, sullen stream  
Shall o'er me roll,  
Blest Savior, then, in love,  
Fear and distrust remove;  
O bear me safe above,  
A ransomed soul!

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**Post-Communion Canticle** "Thank the Lord" *LSB 164*

- C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Post-Communion Collect**

P: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this saving gift of Your Son's body and blood. Assure us through Christ's victory over death and the grave and strengthen us to do the things You have given us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**Benediction** *LSB 166*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

**C Amen.**

## 830 Spread the Reign of God the Lord

- 1 Spread the reign of God the Lord,  
Spoken, written, mighty Word;  
Ev'rywhere His creatures call  
To His heav'nly banquet hall.
- 2 Tell how God the Father's will  
Made the world, upholds it still,  
How His own dear Son He gave  
Us from sin and death to save.
- 3 Tell of our Redeemer's grace,  
Who, to save our human race  
And to pay rebellion's price,  
Gave Himself as sacrifice.
- 4 Tell of God the Spirit giv'n  
Now to guide us on to heav'n,  
Strong and holy, just and true,  
Working both to will and do.
- 5 Enter, mighty Word, the field;  
Ripe the promise of its yield.  
But the reapers, oh, how few  
For the work there is to do!
- 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,  
Rouse to action heart and mind;  
Let the gath'ring nations all  
See Your light and heed Your call.

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**General giving last week: \$5292.00**  
**Budget giving needed: \$7500.00**

**Calendar of Activities this week at St. John**

30 Thursday	Worship Service/HC	6:30 pm
3 Sunday	Worship Service/HC	9:00 am



Dear Members of St. John,

Julie and I would like to express our appreciation for all the prayers, love, and support that the congregation has shown us and our family over the past 33 years of service here at St. John.

We thank everyone who made the retirement recognition brunch/reception possible on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. The kind words, cards, gifts, and the meal were appreciated. Thank you all.

We look forward to serving Him as members of this congregation for the years to come. ***God Bless you. Curt and Julie Snow***

**THE ST. JOHN LWML WOULD LIKE TO THANK** everyone who donated to the Safe Harbor of Sheboygan County. Bonnie Sperberg and Cindy Schuett took 4 big boxes and a bag of supplies to the South Wisconsin District Convention on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

**LIFE DATE MAGAZINE**, the official publication of *Lutherans for Life*, a Recognized Service Organization of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, is available on the table in the Narthex. This magazine contains timely articles on "Life" issues such as abortion, end-of-life matters, care giving, etc. It also highlights to work of *Lutherans for Life* which is dedicated to support, protect and honor all life from conception to natural death.

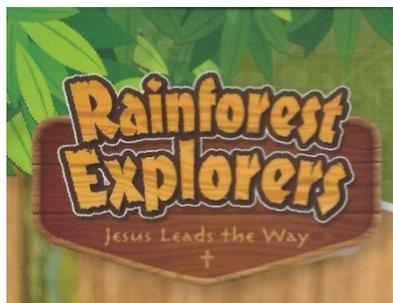
**LARGE PRINT PORTALS OF PRAYER** for those who need them, are on the table in the Narthex. Small print versions are on the tables and in the information rack.



**PLAYGROUND PROJECT:** The Board of Education has a new mockup of the playground displayed in the narthex. We have a thermometer on the sign to show our progress towards achieving our goal. If you are interested in helping fund the new playground, please put your donation in an envelope marked "Playground". Thank you in advance for your help with this project.

**HUMAN CARE** will take a door collection NEXT WEEK to help provide funds for the work they do for people in need.

**EMAIL OR ADDRESS CHANGE? PHONE # CHANGE?** Please let the church office know so we can keep our records current. You may drop a note in the church office mailbox or write "CHANGED" on your next communion card and then fill in what has changed in your information. Thanks!!



### **2022 Vacation Bible School...**

Please mark Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> as the date for our 2022 VBS (Rainforest Explorers). If you would like to help with VBS, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for the various areas we will need volunteers. There will be a meeting of volunteers on Wed., June 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at church to begin planning. Join us for this exciting one day adventure as Jesus leads the way for us in the trials of this life to

forgiveness, life and salvation!

**OLD ST. JOHN LUTHERAN SCHOOL YEARBOOKS** are available on the round table on the north side of the Narthex. If anyone is interested in having one (maybe it's your class or your child's class), please go ahead and take the one(s) you want. Our school has a copy of every one in their historical archives. These were extras found recently and are for giving away.

SERMON OUTLINE  
June 23/26, 2022  
Theme: "I Will Come In a Gentle Whisper"  
(1 Kings 19:9b-21)

**I. I Alone Am Left**

- A. The pastor isn't the only one to feel \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. We feel this way when our good ideas are \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Even the prophet \_\_\_\_\_ felt this way.

**II. God Will Come In a Gentle Whisper**

- A. God responded to Elijah in a \_\_\_\_\_ way.
- B. God didn't have to be seen in a \_\_\_\_\_ way to be present with Elijah.
- C. God \_\_\_\_\_ to us in our loneliness.
- D. God responds to us through another prophet: \_\_\_\_\_!
- E. God returns us to the \_\_\_\_\_ ...but not alone.

**III. We Are God's People of Promise**

- A. Even though we don't always see God's hand at work, we \_\_\_\_\_ His gentle whisper.
- B. God has never \_\_\_\_\_ His people.
- C. He sends us forth to do His \_\_\_\_\_!