

JESUS HEALS ON THE SABBATH

LUKE 13:10-17

Welcome to St. John Lutheran Church Eleventh weekend after Pentecost Sunday August 21st, 2022



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ANNOUNCEMENTS PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love endures us

forever.

ALL: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Leader: Most merciful God,

ALL: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Leader: 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.

ALL: Amen.

GATHERING SONG Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

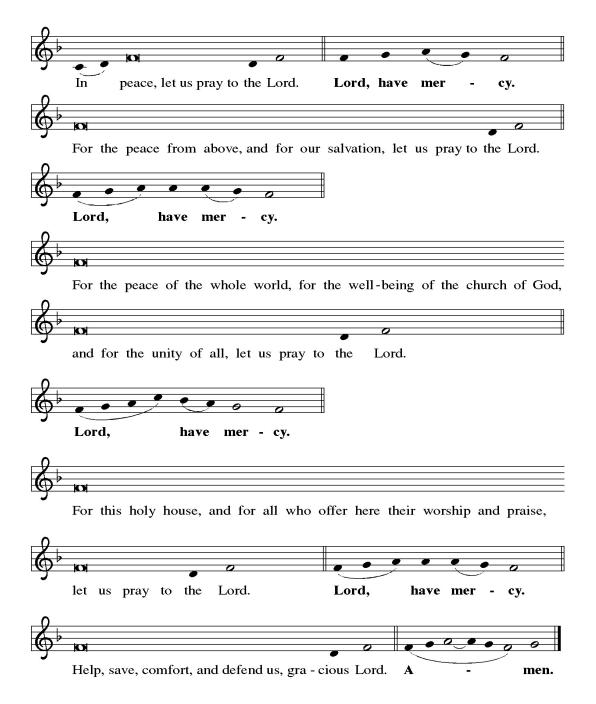
Hymn 533

GREETING AND KYRIE

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the

communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.



This Is the Feast





Leader: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: Amen

FIRST READING Isaiah 58:9b-14

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The Word of the Lord.... C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

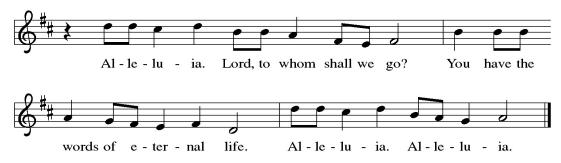
Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord.... C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL Luke 13:10-17

Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and

began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Gospel of the Lord... C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor O'Brien

HYMN O Day of Rest and Gladness

Hymn 521

APOSTLES' CREED

ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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 INTERCESSION

Leader: Merciful God, **ALL: receive our prayer**

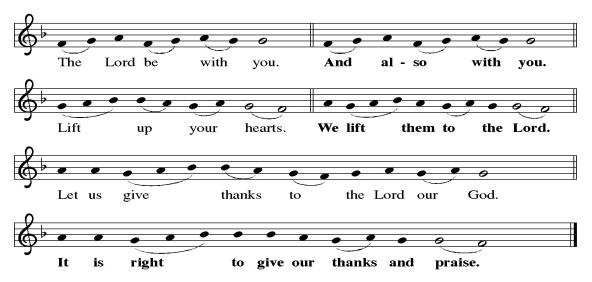
OFFERING PRAYER

Leader: God of abundance:

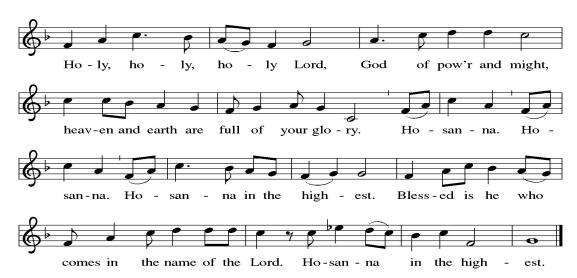
All: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to the labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



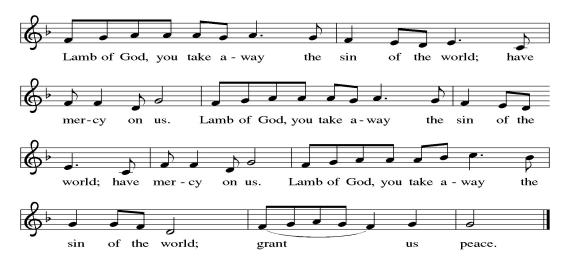
Leader: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. 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:



THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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 DISTRIBUTION

Welcome!

St. John practices "open communion". All who are baptized and instructed are welcome to share the Lord's Supper with us today. We are using pre-sealed communion elements. Starting with the right side of the church, followed by the left when they are finished, you may come forward and receive communion from the table. You may consume the elements when you return to your pew or wait until you get outside if that is a more comfortable place for you to eat and drink. Young children are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

ALL: Amen.

BLESSING

Leader: The God of peace, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you,

and show you the path of life this day and always.

ALL: Amen.

SENDING SONG Here I Am, Lord

Hymn 574

DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

All: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Weekly Announcements



This Week at St. John

Mon: Bible Study 9 AM Tues: Blankets 9 AM Wed: McDonald's 7 AM Sat: Worship 5 PM Sun: Worship 9 AM

Serving This Week

Lector Tim Titgemeyer Usher Jill Kao Acolyte Aiden Johnson

In Our Prayers

Audry S.-medical concerns
Marilyn Sandrock— medical concerns
Carolyn Lasseter— medical concerns
Gary Carstensen— medical concerns
Brenda Powell— medical concerns
Dan Jeffers-medical concerns
Michele Maix— medical concerns
Kade Krotzer— medical concerns
Joan Truman— medical concerns

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God, and in celebration of Merle and Shirley Berger's wedding anniversary.

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God, and in memory of Don Berger and given by Margaret, Dan and Pam, Cheryle Berger and family.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Join us for the start of Sunday School on Sunday, September 11th at 8:30am. All are welcome!



LUTHER HOME GOLF OUTING

The Luther Home of Mercy Golf Outing is Friday, August 26 at Maumee Bay. Foursomes are invited to join Luther Home for continental breakfast, golf and a delicious lunch overlooking the Lake; all in support of their programs and services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Not a golfer? They are also looking for help with: Cart Sponsors (\$50 each): Your name will be featured on a cart and in the Outing Program. Hole Sponsors: (\$100 each) Your name will be featured on a sign at one of the 18 holes and in the Outing Program. More information and registration can be found at their website, lutherhome.org.

FACEBOOK GROUP

On Facebook, "Pages" are run by organizations/updated by administrators to share information with those who like or follow the page. Facebook "Groups" are a community-based feature that gathers people with the same interests to discuss topics and share their opinions. St. John has BOTH!

If you haven't yet joined our Facebook GROUP, please find us on Facebook and join!

FALL WORSHIP HOURS

Fall worship hours begin on Sunday September 11th.

Saturday

Contemporary Service 5 PM **Sunday**

Sunday School 8:30 AM Traditional Service 9:45 AM

OUR BLESSING BOX

Mini Pantry has been used quite a bit recently. To help restock we need Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, and Toilet Tissue. When you are shopping this week, consider purchasing a few extra items and bringing them to the church.

USHERS AND LECTORS

We have now resumed our worship assistant rotation. Please watch the newsletter or Monday email to see when you are scheduled to serve. If you are willing to be added to the list, please let Pastor O'Brien know or contact the church office.

SATURDAY- 5:00pm AUGUST

Usher
27 OPEN
Lector
27 Aidan O'Brien
Acolyte
27 Emma Morgan

SUNDAY- 9:00am AUGUST

Usher
28 OPEN
Lector
28 Tim Titgemeyer
Acolyte
28 Lucas Titgemeyer

PHONE SYSTEM UPDATE

We have been working through some technical upgrades the last couple months and this includes a new phone system. The good news is, we are nearing the end of our upgrade. We appreciate your patience if any errors occur while we complete the process!

SACK FOR A SACK

St. John will again be doing sack for a sack this year. Every time Genoa sacks the opposing team's quarterback, St. John is donating a bag of groceries to the Genoa Food pantry. If you would like to contribute, the donation is \$25 per sack.

GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday is September 11 this year. It is designed to be a churchwide day of service in the community. Traditionally we help our neighbors at Luther Home of Mercy. This year however, they could use the most help during their "Fall Fest" which is September 18. More details will be available soon on what we can do to help on 9/18, but in the meantime we are seeking ideas for 9/11. Do you know of any places in the community that could benefit from a "day of service"? We usually have 15-25 people of different ages and abilities. If you have any connections, please contact Pastor O'Brien.



10th Annual Benevolence Golf Outing 09/24/2022



For Information: Tom Cashen 419-205-1942 or Church Office 419-836-5514

Please see reverse side for registration.