



**WELCOME TO
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

April 29, 2018 – 10:45 a.m.
Worship with Holy Communion

**St. John's Mission: To help one more person get to Heaven
by pointing them to Jesus Christ.**

Welcome & Sharing of the Peace We take a moment to greet one another, as brothers and sisters in Christ (often with the words “God’s peace be with you”). We enjoy this part of our worship; however, you are free to participate, or not, in any manner with which you are comfortable. *(Please Remain Standing)*

If at any point you need to or prefer to sit, please feel free to do so

(Please Rise)

Processional Hymn: #892 “Come Ye Thankful People Come”

Invocation/Confession/Absolution

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.

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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

(Please be seated)

First Lesson: Psalm 104: 1, 13-16, 24-35

Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor and majesty,

¹³He waters the hills from His upper chambers; The earth is satisfied with the fruit of Your works. ¹⁴He causes the grass to grow for the cattle, And vegetation for the service of man, That he may bring forth food from the earth, ¹⁵And wine *that* makes glad the heart of man, Oil to make *his* face shine, And bread *which* strengthens man's heart. ¹⁶The trees of the Lord are full of *sap*, The cedars of Lebanon which He planted,

²⁴O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions— ²⁵This great and wide sea, In which *are* innumerable teeming things, Living things both small and great. ²⁶There the ships sail about; *There is* that Leviathan Which You have made to play there. ²⁷These all wait for You, That You may give *them* their food in due season. ²⁸*What* You give them they gather in; You open Your hand, they are filled with good. ²⁹You hide Your face, they are troubled; You take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. ³⁰You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; And You renew the face of the earth.

³¹May the glory of the Lord endure forever; May the Lord rejoice in His works. ³²He looks on the earth, and it trembles; He touches the hills, and they smoke.

³³I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. ³⁴May my meditation be sweet to Him; I will be glad in the Lord. ³⁵May sinners be consumed from the earth, And the wicked be no more.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!
Praise the Lord!

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Second Lesson: Philippians 4:10-13, 19-20

¹⁰But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at last your care for me has flourished again; though you surely did care, but you lacked opportunity. ¹¹Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content: ¹²I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. ¹³I can do all things through Christ^[a] who strengthens me.

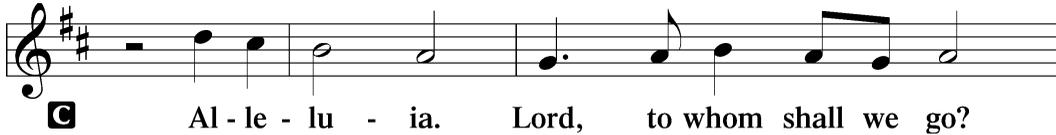
¹⁹ And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. ²⁰ Now to our God and Father *be* glory forever and ever. Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please Stand)

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel: John 6:1-14

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 6th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is *the* Sea of Tiberias. ² Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. ³ And Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat with His disciples.

⁴ Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. ⁵ Then Jesus lifted up *His* eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?" ⁶ But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do.

⁷ Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little."

⁸ One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, ⁹ "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?"

¹⁰ Then Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. ¹¹ And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed *them* to the disciples, and the disciples^[a] to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, "Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost." ¹³ Therefore they gathered *them* up, and filled twelve baskets

with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. ¹⁴ Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

(Be Seated)

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day: #894 "For the Fruits of His Creation"

Sermon: "More Than Enough" (Provision and Care)

Offer Unto the Lord! The Bible gives these guidelines on our financial giving:

- 1) *"First Fruits": i.e. Set aside a portion for God FIRST. He gets the best, not the leftovers.*
- 2) *"Portion/Percentage giving": Give to God a percentage of our gross income; the Old Testament "tithes" was 10%; certainly "this side" of the cross we should be just as motivated, or more so, than the Old Testament believers!*
- 3) *"God's Blessings": God promises if we are faithful in our giving, He will pour out blessing/abundance to us overflowing!*

Offering

Please take this time to sign the Pew Pads in your row and pass them down. We thank God for our visitors and guests. Please share your e-mail with us so that you can receive a weekly note of activities/announcements. Thank you for worshipping with us!

Offertory Anthem "Shout for Joy!"

Spiritual, arr. Alan Bullard

(Please Stand)

Offertory Hymn #805 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

(Sung to the tune of Hymn #493: "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing")

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER.

St. Paul wrote, "Let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup". Ask yourself: Am I sorry for my sins? Do I believe that Jesus died for my sins? Am I resolved, by the work of the Holy Spirit, to use the power of Christ which is offered in this Sacrament, to amend my sinful life? St. Paul also wrote, "He who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself, if he does not judge the body rightly". Do you believe that you receive the TRUE/REAL BODY AND BLOOD of Christ in, under and with the bread and wine for the full pardon of sins? (Please use pages 329-330 in the front of your hymn book to examine yourself.)

Children are invited forward to receive a blessing.

Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad in your pew.

† Service of the Sacrament †

Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Jesus

Agnus Dei



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



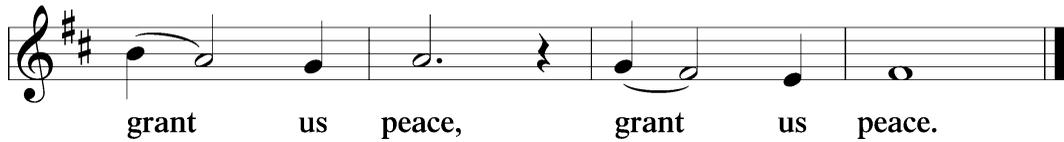
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



(Be Seated)

Distribution Hymns: #633 “At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”
#643 “Sent Forth By God’s Blessings”

(Please Stand)

Post Communion Praise – Thank the Lord

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Benediction

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 † give you peace.

C: Amen.

Recessional Hymn: #817 “Earth and All Stars” (skip vs. 4)

Postlude “Gigue Fugue”

Buxtehude

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Bruce & Kathleen Sawicki in honor of their 27th wedding anniversary.

Today’s Ushers: Holly Wilson, Ryan Davidson, Stephanie Kiel

Worship Assistant: Early Service – Bob Burke, Mark Edmiston; Late Service – Steve Anderson, Rob Schwabe

Lector: Early Service – Rachel Orsborn, Late Service – Beth Fordham-Meir

Altar Guild for April: Jackie Downey, Clare Adamick, Sarah Strahm

Lock-ups for April: Glenn Rullman, Don Henderson

Nursery is available in Preschool Room 106 during the 10:45 Worship Service for children ages 3 and under.

Crisis Control Item for April: Canned Fruit (applesauce, peaches, etc.)

The Sermons are available on-line at <http://stjohnsww.com/weekly-sermons-2/>

St. John’s Prayer and Care Notes are distributed each Saturday. If you would like to receive this document and be listed on the email distribution, please send a request to:

- Dale Mierisch at wb9szl@triad.rr.com and include “St John’s Prayer and Care Notes Subscription” in the subject line of your email.
 - You may also send your prayer requests to Dale at this address.

(Restrooms: Exit the left-side door on the pulpit side. Go straight thru the Fellowship Hall and the two doors leading to our school building. Restrooms are on your right in the school lobby)



Our Sunday Worship - Services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class both begin at 9:30 a.m.

A Great Place to Grow in Christ

*As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a
Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8th grade.
All programs/grades have full-time care available.*

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Mark Edmiston, Principal

Tom Baldwin, Director of Admissions and Community Relations

Sonia Davidson, Director of Preschool

Michael Zeoli, Director of Music for Contemporary Worship

Frances Burmeister, Director of Music for Traditional Worship

Church Office Hours Monday through Thursday,
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.