



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

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 18, 2017 – 10:45 a.m.

Divine Service Setting Five

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

People all over our country today will be celebrating Father's Day as we give thanks for our earthly dads, grandfathers, and other men who are special to us. Every time we gather in the Lord's house for worship, our time together can also be seen as a Father's Day. God, our heavenly Father, has reconciled us to Himself through the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus. By our Father's grace, we are made His "treasured possession." As those who receive His Word and are filled with His Spirit, He forms us into "a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." We approach Him directly and confidently as children do their loving Father. May your time in our Father's house be blessed this day—for this day is His day!

† Prayer Before Worship †

Father in heaven, You have brought us to Yourself and made us Your treasured possession through the saving work of our Savior. By the power of Your eternal Spirit, may we extend Your saving Word into all the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude Song

Yepes

Welcome & Sharing of the Peace

(Please Stand)

Processional Hymn #802 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Call to Worship

P: Our Father, Who art in Heaven!

C: Bless our worship this day!

P: God's word says: "I will be a Father to you and you will be My sons and daughters."
(2 Cor. 6:18)

C: How great is the love the Father has lavished on us that we should be called the children of God! And that is what we are! (1 John 3:1)

P: You received the Spirit of sonship. The Holy Spirit testifies with our spirit, that we are God's children. (Romans 8:15-16)

C: As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him. (Psalm 103:13)

P: Let us then, today and always, approach His throne of grace with confidence.
C: **So that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.**
(Hebrews 4:16)

Confession and Forgiveness

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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

P: Let us pray.
Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

(Be Seated)

Dedication of New Green Paraments

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 68, vv 1-21, 32-35, responsively
(A Father to the fatherless)

Hymnal, page 68.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Lesson

1 John 2:28-3:2

(We are children of God.)

²⁸And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. ²⁹If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please Stand)

Holy Gospel

John 16:22-28

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

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

²²So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. ²³In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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.**

(Be Seated)

Hymn of the Day #725 "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Sermon "The Father Heart of God: Part One"

Psalm 103:8-18

Sermon Text

⁸The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. ¹⁰He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹²as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. ¹³As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. ¹⁴For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust. ¹⁵As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field; ¹⁶for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more. ¹⁷But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children, ¹⁸to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.

Outline: Our Father _____ !

A. Our Father has a _____. (Verse 8)

B. Our Father has a _____. (Verse 9)

C. Our Father has a _____. (Verse 10)

D. Our Father has a _____. (Verse 11)

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!

(Please Stand)

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

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

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

The Introduction to the Lord’s Prayer (from the Catechism)

Our Father who art in heaven.

Our Father in heaven.

What does this mean? With these Words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

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.

Benedicamus and Benediction

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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 #922 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

Postlude *Partita*

Bernardo Pasquini

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Carol & Reg Koontz.

Today's Ushers: Ryan Davidson, Bob Hoisington, Stephanie Kiel, Holly Wilson

Lector: Alan Hall

Altar Guild for June: Gayle Barcio, Stephanie Guelzow, Sue Frake, Ted Frake

Lock-ups for June: Brad Honeycutt, John Williams

Pew Pads: Please remember to sign the pew pads. Thank you.

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

Crisis Control Item for June: Canned meats (salmon, beef, tune, chicken, ham, etc.). The collection basket for these items is in the Narthex.

The Sermons are available on-line at <http://stjohnsws.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.

***Our Sunday Worship - Services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
Holy Communion is celebrated at 8:30 a.m. on the first and third Sundays,
at 10:45 a.m. on the second and fourth Sundays, and at both services
if there is a fifth Sunday in the month.
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class both begin at 9:30 a.m.***

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