



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

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**SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER**

**May 6, 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: #915 “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”**

**Invocation:** By Paul Gerhardt, Lutheran hymn writer

P: Through waves and clouds and storms  
He gently cleared the way  
Wait though His time; so shall this night  
Soon end in joyous day.

What thought though ruleth not?  
Yet heaven and earth and hell  
Proclaim: “God sitteth on the throne  
And ruleth all things well!”

### **Call to Worship**

P: This is what the Lord says-he who created you;

**C: Fear not, for I have redeemed you;**

P: I have summoned you by name;

**C: You are mine.**

P: When you pass through the waters,

**C: I will be with you;**

P: And when you pass through the rivers

**C: They will not sweep over you.**

P: When you walk through the fire,

**C: You will not be burned.**

P: I am the Lord, your God.

**C: So do not fear, for I am with you;**

P: Do not be dismayed, for I am your God.

**C: I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.**

P: When you call upon me, I will listen to you.

**C: You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.**

P: Jesus said, "Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

**C: "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, and you will find rest for your souls."**

*(Please be seated)*

**First Lesson: Psalm 107:19-32** (read responsively)

<sup>19</sup> Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble,  
*And He saved them out of their distresses.*

<sup>20</sup> **He sent His word and healed them,  
And delivered *them* from their destructions.**

<sup>21</sup> Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the Lord *for* His goodness,  
*And for* His wonderful works to the children of men!

<sup>22</sup> **Let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving,  
And declare His works with rejoicing.**

<sup>23</sup> Those who go down to the sea in ships,  
Who do business on great waters,

<sup>24</sup> **They see the works of the Lord,  
And His wonders in the deep.**

<sup>25</sup> For He commands and raises the stormy wind,  
Which lifts up the waves of the sea.

<sup>26</sup> **They mount up to the heavens,  
They go down again to the depths;  
Their soul melts because of trouble.**

<sup>27</sup> They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man,  
And are at their wits' end.

**28 Then they cry out to the Lord in their trouble,  
And He brings them out of their distresses.**

**29 He calms the storm,  
So that its waves are still.**

**30 Then they are glad because they are quiet;  
So He guides them to their desired haven.**

**31 Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the Lord *for* His goodness,  
And *for* His wonderful works to the children of men!**

**32 Let them exalt Him also in the assembly of the people,  
And praise Him in the company of the elders.**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

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

**10** But 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. **11** Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content: **12** I 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. **13** I can do all things through Christ<sup>[a]</sup> 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**

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



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 “He is Risen”**

Cecil Cope

*(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!

**Nicene Creed**

**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.**

**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;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

*(Be Seated)*

**Distribution Hymns:** #752 “Be Still My Soul”  
#740 “I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb”  
#761 “Rock of Ages”

*(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 -  
 joyce 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: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion, God of all comfort,

**C: Who comfort us in all our troubles.**

P: The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

**C: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives.**

P: You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you.

**C: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my god, in whom I trust."**

P: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him.

**C: So that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**Recessional Hymn: #918 "Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer"**

**Postlude "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"**

Johann Gottfried Walther

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God by Wes & Kerstin Walker in honor of their 23<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

**Today's Ushers:** John Williams, Bob Sparks, Lisa Little, Larry Bowman

**Worship Assistant:** Early Service – Bill Thorpe, Tom Baldwin; Late Service – Mark Meier, Dale Mierisch

**Lector:** Early Service – Jackie Downey, Late Service – Nathan Kottowski

**Altar Guild for May:** Renee Henderson, Gayle Barcio

**Lock-ups for May:** Wes Walker and Jeff Goad

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

**Crisis Control Item for May:** Saltine and Snack Crackers

**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](mailto: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 8<sup>th</sup> grade.  
All programs/grades have full-time care available.*

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**Tom Baldwin, Director of Admissions and Community Relations**

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**Michael Zeoli, Director of Music for Contemporary Worship**

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