

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 21, 2024, 8:30 A.M.
St. John's Lutheran Church

Announcements

Prelude *Festival March from The Balboa Park Organ Suite* Michael Burkhardt
(See note on page 4 for an explanation of the Prelude)

Ringin' of the Church Bell

Confession and Forgiveness (Please stand) page 116-117

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* ELW #645

Greeting and Kyrie *"In peace, let us pray..."* page 147-148

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: 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.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord. **C: Amen**

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. **C: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

Prayer of the Day: L: O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6 (Please be seated)

¹ Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ² Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Psalm 23

L: ¹ The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

C: ² **The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

L: ³ You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

C: ⁴ **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

L: ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

C: ⁶ **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹ Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹² remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵ He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace

to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand) *"Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?"*

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

The Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Glory to you, O Lord/Praise to you, O Christ.

³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴ When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Sermon (Please be seated)

Confession of Faith (Please stand)

Apostles' Creed

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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.

The Offering Hymn (Please be seated)

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

ELW #742

Offering Prayer (Please stand)

L: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen**

Prayers of the Church: L: In Your mercy,... **C: ...hear our prayer.**

The 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

L: The God of life, who raised Jesus from the dead, who sends forth the Spirit to renew the face of the earth, be merciful to you. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever. Go in peace. Share the Good News! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia

Closing Hymn*The Church's One Foundation*

ELW #654, vss. 1-4

Postlude*Interlude in G*

Charles W. Ore

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San Diego's unique and historic Spreckels outdoor pipe organ was given by the Spreckels brothers on New Year's Eve, 1914, for the free use and enjoyment not only of the people of San Diego, but "for the people of all the world." In 1988 the Spreckels Organ Society was organized "to preserve, program and promote the Spreckels Organ as a world-treasure *for all people.*"

It is this vision of an organ for all people that inspired us, as part of the organ's 80th anniversary year, to commission Michael Burkhardt to compose a suite incorporating traditional melodies symbolizing the rich diversity of the American people. We offer it to organists everywhere as an expression of the American ideal of many peoples united in one nation in mutual respect and liberty.

Robert Plimpton, Civic Organist
Spreckels Organ Society

4. Festival March**Battle Hymn of the Republic****Lift Every Voice and Sing**

Activities this Week at St. John's

Sun, July 21 8:30am & 10am
July 22-26 11am-12:30pm
Sun, July 28 8:30 & 10am

July 21, 2024 to July 28, 2024

Worship services
Feed The Kids @ Zion UCC
Worship services w/comm

General Funds (undesignated)

Jan. 1 – July 17, 2024

Actual Income \$ 99,676
Actual Expenses 107,752

Jan. 1 – July 31, 2024

Budget Expenses 129,641

Attendance

Last Sunday 90
2024 Average 103
2023 Average 110



Scripture Reader	8:30am	Linda Groe
	10am	Tiffany Evans
Greeters	8:30am	Gary & Marlene Houg
	10am	Tiffany Evans
Ushers	8:30am	Matt Teslow family
	10am	Norm Peterson, Chuck Larson
Secretary		Rhonda Barr
Custodians		John & Sharon Roe
Organist/Director of Music		James H. Bieber
Pastor		Bryan Robertson

Radio Broadcast Ministry –Today’s radio broadcast is given in loving memory of Leonard Thies and Meghan Thies & our loved ones that are gone; given by Bernice Thies & family. Thank you for your continuing support of this outreach ministry. Join us on Sunday mornings on KNEI 103.5 at 8:30am.
Note: you have the option of selecting a hymn of your choice for the service you sponsor.

Our heartfelt sympathies to Stephanie, Madi, Emma, Keagan and Sophia Palmer in the passing of their husband & father, Eric Palmer recently.

Our heartfelt sympathies to Greg Palmer and Chris Ellickson family in the passing of their son and brother Eric Palmer recently.

Our heartfelt sympathies to Denise Wullner & family in the passing of her mother, Lyla Hanson recently.

Quilters will again be meeting this fall to begin their work. We will also be assembling school kits this year and need your help! You can make up your own kit, or simply supply needed items that we will put together for finished kits. This is a list of school kit items needed: 70 sheet notebooks, 30 centimeter ruler, pencil sharpener, blunt scissor, pencils with erasers, black or blue ballpoint pens, box of 16 or 24 crayons and 2 ½ inch eraser. We will supply the backpacks. A more complete list is posted on the Narthex bulletin board. ***Thank you so much for taking part in this project!***

Scholarships: Members of St. John's attending post high school education institutions this fall, please let the Church Office know. Those who are attending ELCA colleges will receive a \$100 EPIC Scholarship from the Church that is matched by the college. All students receive a \$50 general scholarship from the Church. These gifts are funded through proceeds from the Youth & Education portions of the St. John's Trust Fund. ***Scholarships to be distributed on Sunday, August 11, 8:30am service ONLY.***

WELCOME TO: Kristin Kopperud-Stinn is a fifth-year M.Div. student at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN. She hopes to become a rostered ELCA Minister of Word and Sacrament. She lives in Waukon with her husband Kevin Stinn, and their foster child. Kristin is originally from Palmer, Alaska, but has lived in the Midwest since 2005.

All of our women are invited to donate to the Pennies for Presents containers in the narthex today. We will have these containers available every third Sunday of each month through November. The money we gather will once again go toward Christmas gifts for three boys and three girls next December. You may also drop off your donation in the church office during the week. Thank you for caring for others.

Zalmona Presbyterian Church invites all children ages 5-11 to their annual Vacation Bible School to be held August 6-11. A picnic for the children will be held on Saturday, August 10 and a celebration program on Sunday, August 11 with a family potluck to follow. See insert.

A special thank you to Randy Johnsen for assisting with the Liturgy today.