

**The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 28, 2024, 8:30 A.M.**  
**St. John's Lutheran Church**

**Announcements**

**Prelude**

*Just As I Am, without One Plea*

Dale Wood

**Ringling of the Church Bell**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

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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.**

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**

*The Church of Christ in Every Age*

ELW #729, vss. 1-4

**Greeting and Kyrie**

*"In peace, let us pray..."*

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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: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Prayer of the Day: L: Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: Amen.

**First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44**

<sup>42</sup> A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." <sup>43</sup> But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" <sup>44</sup> He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

**Psalm 145:10-18**

L: <sup>10</sup> All your works shall praise you, O LORD,  
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

**C: <sup>11</sup> They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your power,**

L: <sup>12</sup> that all people may know of your power  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

**C: <sup>13</sup> Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.  
You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

L: <sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all those who fall  
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

**C: <sup>15</sup> The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,  
and you give them their food in due season.**

L: <sup>16</sup> You open wide your hand  
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

**C: <sup>17</sup> You are righteous in all your ways  
and loving in all your works.**

L: <sup>18</sup> You are near to all who call upon you,  
to all who call upon you faithfully.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21**

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup> I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup> and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup> I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup> and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup> Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

## Children's Message

## Gospel Acclamation

*"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: John 6:1-21****Glory to you, O Lord/Praise to you, O Christ.**

<sup>1</sup> Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup> A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. <sup>3</sup> Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. <sup>4</sup> Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup> When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup> He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." <sup>8</sup> One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup> "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" <sup>10</sup> Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. <sup>11</sup> Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup> When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." <sup>13</sup> So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. <sup>14</sup> When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." <sup>15</sup> When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. <sup>16</sup> When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup> got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. <sup>18</sup> The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup> When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. <sup>20</sup> But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." <sup>21</sup> Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

## Sermon

## Confession of Faith

*The 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.**

## Offering Hymn

*All Who Hunger*

ELW# 461

## Offering Prayer

L: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen**

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

## The Words of Institution

### The Lord's Prayer

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**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.**

**Communion Songs:** *Just As I Am, without One Plea* ELW #592; *Lord Jesus, Think on Me* ELW #599

**Prayer Following Communion** L: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

### Benediction

P: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood, strengthen, keep, and unite us, now and forever. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

### Closing Hymn

*Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

ELW #843

### Postlude

*Chorale*

Gordon Young

**Activities this Week at St. John's**

**July 28, 2024 to Aug 4, 2024**

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| Sun, July 28 | 8:30am & 10am           |
| Thurs, Aug 2 | 8:30am-4:30pm           |
| Sat, Aug 3   | 8am-5pm                 |
| Sun, Aug 4   | 8:30 & 10am<br>11am-4pm |

Worship services w/comm  
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Smith use of FH  
Worship services w/comm  
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**General Funds (undesignated)**

**Attendance**

**Jan. 1 – July 24, 2024**

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| Actual Income   | \$101,814 |
| Actual Expenses | 107,812   |

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| Last Sunday  | 79  |
| 2024 Average | 102 |
| 2023 Average | 110 |

**Jan. 1 – July 31, 2024**

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| Budget Expenses | 129,641 |
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| Scripture Reader           | 8:30am | Dawn Teslow                 |
|                            | 10am   | Chuck Larson                |
| Greeters                   | 8:30am | Ann Rademaker               |
|                            | 10am   | Sandy Deal                  |
| Ushers                     | 8:30am | Matt Teslow family          |
|                            | 10am   | Norm Peterson, Chuck Larson |
| Comm Prep                  | 8:30am | Kathy Hay, Linda Groe       |
|                            | 10am   | Altar Guild                 |
| Comm Asst                  | 8:30am | Bill & Sue Blagsvedt,       |
|                            |        | Chris Stuckman              |
|                            | 10am   | Wendy Bucheit               |
| 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 Deb Tweedy’s birthday & Deb & Al’s wedding anniversary. Given by the Tweedy 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.**

**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.**

***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.

## Dinner News!

We're hosting a Rieck's Chicken Dinner

Fried chicken, potato wedges, baked beans and bun

Friday, August 30, 4:00-7:00 P.M.

Dine-in/Carry-out before football home game

More info to come