

The Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 2, 2024, 8:30 A.M.
St. John's Lutheran Church

Announcements

Prelude

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

arr. Charles Callahan

Ringing 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

Gather Us In

ELW #532, vss. 1-3

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: Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: Amen.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

¹²Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁴But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. ¹⁵Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Psalm 81:1-10

L: ¹Sing with joy to God our strength
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

**C: ²Raise a song and sound the timbrel,
the merry harp, and the lyre.**

L: ³Blow the ram's horn at the new moon,
and at the full moon, the day of our feast;

**C: ⁴for this is a statute for Israel,
a law of the God of Jacob.**

L: ⁵God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the land of Egypt,
where I heard a voice I did not know:

**C: ⁶"I eased your shoulder from the burden;
your hands were set free from the gravedigger's basket.**

L: ⁷You called on me in trouble, and I delivered you;
I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

**C: ⁸Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you:
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!**

L: ⁹There shall be no strange god among you;
you shall not worship a foreign god.

**C: ¹⁰I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.
Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.**

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

⁵We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs

to God and does not come from us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Special Music

His Eye Is on the Sparrow
Vickie Larson, Soprano

C.D. Martin & C.H. Gabriel

Children's Message and Noisy Offering

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: Mark 2:23-3:6

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

²³One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ²⁵And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." ²⁷Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

^{3:1}Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." ⁴Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

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

O Day of Rest and Gladness

ELW# 521

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: Merciful God,... C: ...receive 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.

Songs During Communion: *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine* ELW #398; *O Holy Spirit, Root of Life* ELW #399

Prayer Following Communion

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

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

ELW #389, vss. 1-4

Postlude

Freedom Fanfare in D Major

Charles W. Ore

Activities this Week at St. John's

Sun, June 2	8:30am & 10am
Tues, June 4	all day
Sun, June 9	8:30am & 10am

June 2, 2024 to June 9, 2024

Worship services w/comm
Primary Election-Fellowship Hall
Worship Services

Scripture Reader	8:30am	Linda DeBuhr
	10am	Nona Sawyer
Greeters	8:30am	Cindy Wuebker family
	10am	Peggy Slaughter
Comm Prep	8:30am	Sandy Deal
	10am	Ann Hagensick, Allie Rottink
Comm Asst	8:30am	Bev Leiran, Kayla Leiran
	10am	Bonnie Roe, Sarah Bieber, Bob Joachim
Ushers	8:30am	Wendy Bucheit
	10am	Virgil & DebThorstenson, Fred Oelberg, Randy Hesse
Secretary		Norm Peterson, Eric Kirkeby
Custodians		Rhonda Barr
Organist/Director of Music		John & Sharon Roe
Pastor		James H. Bieber
		Bryan Robertson

Radio Broadcast Ministry –Today’s radio broadcast is given with Church Funds. Thank you for your continuing support of this outreach ministry. Join us on Sunday mornings on KNEI 103.5 at 8:30am.

Vacation Bible School at Village Creek Bible Camp on Wednesday, June 5. Meet at church parking lot at 7:45am. Cost is \$20 per child. Camp finishes at 4:30pm. Arrive back at church parking lot around 4:50pm. We are in need of adult (over age 16) chaperones & drivers, if you are available to help, please let Board of Ed know. Forms available at church office.

United Way of Winneshiek County Free-Will Donation Pancake Breakfast today from 8:30am to noon at the Danan Lansing Bldg, Decorah Fairgrounds. All you can eat pancakes, sausage & coffee.

Laura Day Celebration from Friday, June 21 – Sunday, June 23. Laura Ingalls Wilder Park & Museum, 3603 236th Ave, Burr Oak, IA. Events to include raffle, bingo, food tent, games, parade, auction, gospel service & entertainment. ****more info on Narthex bulletin board****