

Bethlehem & St. John Lutheran Churches

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The Day of Pentecost

June 8, 2025

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The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod's Statement on Close Communion:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, Our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to first speak with the Pastor.

(CTCR, Admission to the Lord's Supper, Nov 1999)

Life Quote: "We are blessed because Jesus has come to us, God most high become a human baby. We are blessed because God has kept His promise to redeem us, even at the cost of His own suffering, death, and resurrection. And we are blessed because the Holy Spirit has given us faith in His good promises." *Lutheran Hour Ministries Daily Devotion – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Life Thoughts: The tower of Babel used God-pleasing technology but not in a way that pleased God (Genesis 11:1-9). The technology to cure disease and to enhance and prolong life is a gift from God. The misuse of this technology, therefore, is an affront to God. The Spirit of Christ enables the believer to discern between what one is able to do and what one ought to do based upon the Word of God. Almighty God, let Your Spirit fill me through Your Word and Sacraments so that all I say and do may bring Your glory to my neighbors in need. Amen.

Divine Service III

Hymn : “Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest”

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Confession and Absolution

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Service of the Word

Psalm 143

Kyrie (p.186)

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Salutation and Collect of the Day (p.189)

P Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament: *Genesis 11:1–9*

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.” And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. And the Lord said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” So the Lord dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of

all the earth. And from there the Lord dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.

With the heart one believes and is justified,
and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

Epistle: Acts 2:1–21

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.

¹⁵For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷“And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; ¹⁸even on my male servants and

female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; ²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. ²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia (p.190)

Holy Gospel: John 14:23–31

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

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father’s who sent me.

“These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

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Announcements

Remember in our Prayers:

Our Shut-ins

This Week at Bethlehem and St. John

Beth:	Mon. June 9	Elder Mtg.	6:00 pm
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STJ:	Tues. June 10	Elder Mtg.	6:00 pm
STJ:	Tues. June 10	Council	7:00 pm
Beth:	Wed. June 11	CWIA	1:00 pm
STJ:	Sat. June 14	Float Decorating	2:00 pm

Next SUNDAY at Bethlehem and St. John

Beth: Sun. June 15 Sunday Worship 8:00 am
Acolyte: Isaac Kosik *Greeters:* Galen & Elizabeth Kirchner & Family
STJ: Sun. June 15 Sunday Worship 10:30am
Acolyte: Lauryn Hartwig
STJ: Sun. June 15 Edgar Parade 1:00 pm start time

Edgar Parade Float Decorating

Location: Pehlke's Home 227708 Aspen Dr.

Date: Saturday, June 14th

Time: 2 pm

NEED DONATIONS: Candy and 200 sandwich bags to hand out on the parade route. Questions? See Deb Mathey or Traci Pehlke. Thank you for any help!



St. John Brewer Trip

When: Thursday, August 28

(DATE CHANGE)

Pick up: 8 am St. John parking lot

Cost: \$85 includes a sack lunch, soda/water, charter bus

Not included in the price is stopping to eat on the way home.

Contact Stacey VanHoy (715-506-0207) to reserve your spot!



Moving Phyllis Diedrich is moving June 14th.

New Address: Grace Commons Living Center

W195 N9550 Rolling Meadows Circle Apt. 221

Menominee Falls, WI 53051

New Phone Number: 715-218-2930 **(Correction from last week)**

Phone number is listed corrected above and is correct in the June Newsletters.

Corrections for the Newsletter or Weekly Bulletin

If you see a need for a correction, please let me know.

I am more than happy to correct and change it for the future.

The best way to let me know is:

1. call the office (715-352-2888) Tues. – Fri. from 9 am to noon or leave a voicemail message
 2. send an email to secretary@stjbeth.org
 3. drop a note in the “Tidbits for Tabitha” baskets located at Bethlehem above the mailboxes (black mesh tray) or at St. John in the office on the desk.
- Thanks Tabitha Hartwig



Blood Drive

Location: Community Bible Church in Stratford

Date: June 19th, 2025.

Time: 1:00 - 6:00