

St. John's Lutheran Church

Norfolk, Nebraska



9th Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2024 8:30 AM

Pastor Jim Splitt

Sunday, July 21, 2024 8:30 AM

Gathering Together

Welcome to God's grace – where the world's labels don't apply.

Step into God's time and presence. Hear God's gentle whisper: "Be still and know that I am God." Let your body and mind rest and open your heart to God in worship and prayer. Welcome each other in the love of Christ. Extend hospitality to those new in our midst. "This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice in it!"

GATHERING MUSIC & RINGING OF THE BELL

PRAYER TREE

TODAY'S WORSHIP THEME

Mark's gospel makes clear how great is the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need, we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Stand

GATHERING HYMN: "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" ELW #611, Verses 1, 2, 3

GREETING

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

And also with you.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. Amen.

Sit

HEARING THE WORD

God speaks to us in scriptures sung, read, and proclaimed.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 23:1-6

A reading from Jeremiah

After the reading:

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Psalm 23

A reading from Psalms

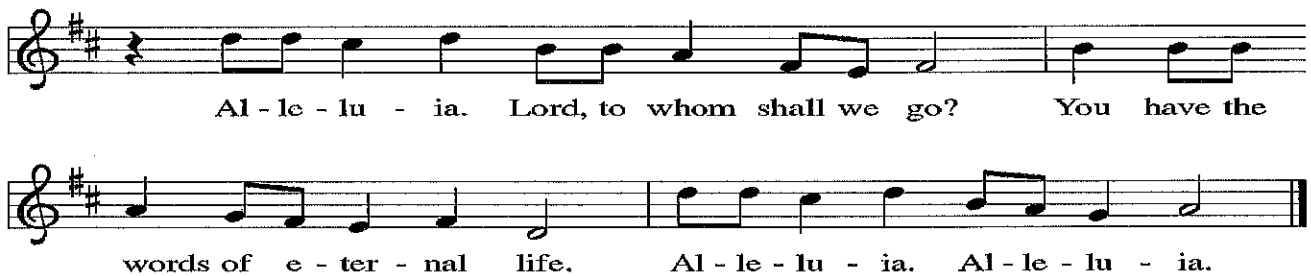
After the reading:

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL READING:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 6:30-43; 53-56.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

The gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SIT

SERMON Pastor Jim Splitt

Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" ELW #, Verses 1, 2, 4

APOSTLES' CREED

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

We invite you to greet one another in the name of the Lord and share the gift of Christ's peace.

SIT

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING THE MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

SIT

GATHERING OF THE OFFERING

STAND

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

ACCLAMATION OF FAITH

Together we acclaim our faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

Sit

COMMUNION

All are welcome to eat & drink at the Lord's Table. Jesus Christ is present in the bread & wine. Come and eat! Holy Communion is at two stations below the altar. Following the usher's direction, please proceed down the center aisle toward the altar.

If you require a gluten-free wafer, please request one from the pastor at the altar during communion. Red wine and white grape juice are available in each tray of cups. After communing, you may return to your seat down the side aisle. If you would like to receive the Lord's Supper where you are seated, please tell the usher, who will ensure the gifts of God come to you.

"LAMB OF GOD"

COMMUNION HYMN: "Blessed Assurance" ELW #638

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAND

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN: "O Christ, Your Heart Compassionate" ELW #722, Verses 1, 3, 4

SENDING

Go in peace. We are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

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Our Mission: *Disciples Through God's Love, Celebrating In Jesus' name.*

PRAYER CONCERNS:

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Cody Hoefler

Bill Schroeder

Derek Johnson

Zander Barr

Keagan Sullivan

Bob Frady

Lisa Christensen

Zella Dederman

Ann Schroeder

Cory Taylor

Carol Timperley

Phillip Sykes

Lexi Rivera

Janet Farr

Harold Rosenbaum

Beverly Schwede

Altar Flowers for this weekend sponsored by:

Del & Kristi Johnson; Happy Birthday Del & Kylie!

and

Jerry & Lella Arduser in honor of their wedding anniversary!

VBS! July 22-26

5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Registrations are available in the red folder in back of church, at the office or email cindy@stjohnsnorfolk.com

All VBS staff, volunteers, and interested volunteers have a meeting @ 4pm in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday July 21. Music, snack, game directors should be there also. We will be discussing procedures, schedules, etc. If you have questions bring them. See you there!

Change for Change

Our July project will be **PEANUT BUTTER** for the Food Pantry. We will be building a pyramid so you can bring your own donation, or the monies in the jar will go toward the purchase of additional peanut butter.

Office Staff

Office Assistant, Cindy Nelson

Custodian, Ken Schillinger

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, July 22

5:30pm – 8:00pm.....VBS
7:00pm.....Solid Rock

TUESDAY, July 23

7:00am.....Men's Text Study
10:00am.....Text Study
5:30pm – 8:00pm.....VBS

WEDNESDAY, July 24

1:00pm.....Searchers ChristCare
5:30pm – 8:00pm.....VBS

THURSDAY, July 25

1:30pm.....BelAir Worship Service
5:30pm – 8:00pm.....VBS

FRIDAY, July 26

5:30pm-8:00pm.....VBS

SATURDAY, July 27

5:00pm.....Gathering Worship

SUNDAY, July 28

8:30am.....Festival Worship
10:15am.....Celebration Worship

FAITH FEST is coming on Friday, August 16th, 2024, and we would love to have you join us by coming out and helping us put on this awesome event for our community in any fashion that you would like or by just coming out and enjoying the day! Please pray for the event and support the festival in any way God puts it on your heart to do. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall between services for the next several weeks, so stop by and chat with us about how you would like to help!
Faith Fest Team

Listen. Respond. Share.

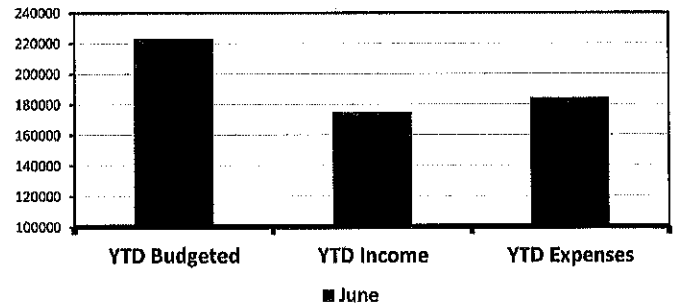
Tuesday Text Studies

7:00 a.m. - Men, HyVee East

10:00 a.m. - Everyone, Church Library

Camp Carol Joy Holling is inviting you to their Quilt Auction, Saturday, July 27, 2024. More exciting is our quilt group here at St. John's has sent three quilts to be included. They will be in the auction to fund summer camp scholarships. You can view all the quilts and a schedule of the auction at: CJHCenter.org/quilt-auction.

Progress on our Mission



Weekly Offerings Received 7/14/24.....\$6,684
Attendance 7/14/24.....33, 40, 53 = 126
Year-To-Date Deficit (Actual).....\$-5,685

***NOTE we are now reporting "Actual" Year-to-Date balances, not "Budgeted" balances as previously reported.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS THIS WEEKEND

Saturday, July 20, 5:00pm

Council, Comm Assist-JoAnn Spence, Reader – Carolyn Vahle

Sunday, July 21, 8:30am

Comm Assist, Usher-Brenda Carhart, Reader-Dan Melkus

Coffee Hosts: Denny & Lois Braesch

Sunday, July 21, 10:15am

Council, Comm Asst – Adam Bloomquist; Reader-Penny Pedersen

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, July 27, 5:00pm

Council-Doug Holmberg

Sunday, July 28, 8:30am

Reader, Brenda Carhart

Coffee Hosts: Ron & Mary Lynn Benson

Sunday, July 28, 10:15am

Council-

Benefaction would like to note that any applications to be considered at their August 13th Board meeting need to be submitted by July 30th.

Congratulations to Pastor Del and Phyllis Weimers who are celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary on August 11th from 2pm – 4pm in Diller, NE.