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JOHN'S**
LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL



*Jesus said,
“ If you love me,
you will keep my commandments. ”*
John 14:15



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COMMUNION STATEMENT ~ *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 to 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 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 first to speak with the pastor or an Elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.*

PRELUDE: “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”

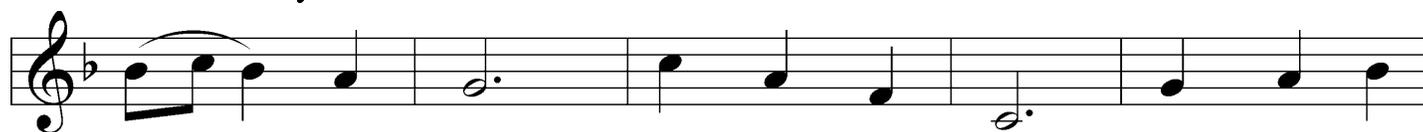
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(Text for meditation: See the Hymn of the Day)

OPENING HYMN: “God, Whose Almighty Word ”



1 God, whose al - might - y word Cha - os and
 2 Lord, who once came to bring, On Your re -
 3 Spir - it of truth and love, Life - giv - ing,
 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, Glo - ri - ous



dark - ness heard And took their flight: Hear us, we
 deem - ing wing, Heal - ing and sight, Health to the
 ho - ly dove, Speed forth Your flight; Move on the
 Trin - i - ty, Wis - dom, love, might! Bound - less as



hum - bly pray, And where the Gos - pel day
 sick in mind, Sight to the in - ly blind:
 wa - ter's face, Bear - ing the lamp of grace,
 o - cean's tide, Roll - ing in full - est pride,



Sheds not its glo - rious ray, Let there be light!
 Oh, now to hu - man-kind Let there be light!
 And in earth's dark - est place Let there be light!
 Through the earth, far and wide, Let there be light!

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

(Antiphon, Is. 48:20; Ps. 66:1-2, 4-5)

Declare this with a shout of joy, proclaim it, send it out to the end | of the earth;*

say, "The LORD has redeemed his people." Alleluia, alle- | luia.

Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;*

sing the glory of his name; give to him | glorious praise!

All the earth worships you and sings prais- | es to you;*

they sing praises | to your name.

Come and see what | God has done:*

he is awesome in his deeds toward the child- | ren of man.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

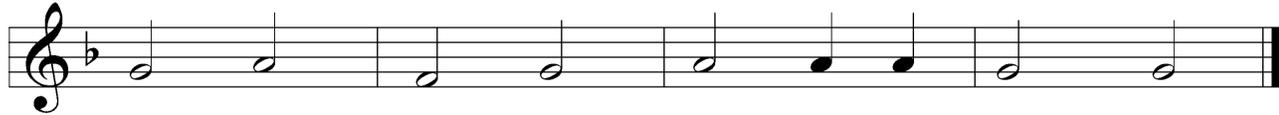
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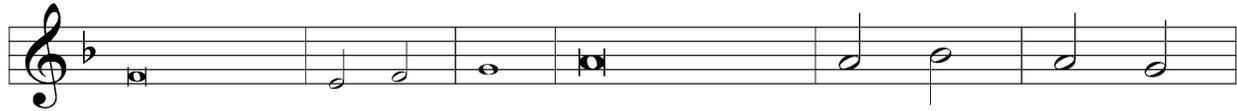


Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



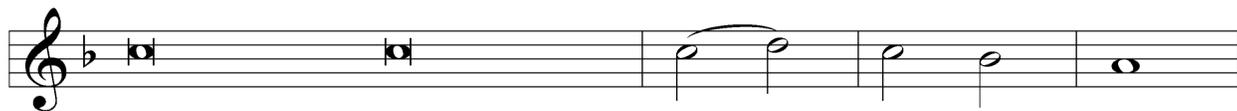
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



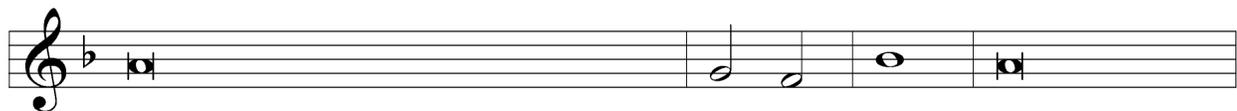
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Sit

FIRST LESSON

Acts 17:16-31

Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babblers wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription,

‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, for “‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, “‘For we are indeed his offspring.’ Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 66

Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;*

sing the glory of his name; give to him | glorious praise!

Say to God, “How awesome | are your deeds!*

So great is your power that your enemies come cringing | to you.

All the earth worships you and sings prais- | es to you;*

they sing praises | to your name.”

Come and see what | God has done:*

he is awesome in his deeds toward the chil- | dren of man.

He turned the sea into | dry land;*

they passed through the riv- | er on foot.

There did we rejoice in him, who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the | nations—*

let not the rebellious ex- | alt themselves.

Bless our God, O | peoples;*

let the sound of his | praise be heard,

who has kept our soul among the | living*

and has not let our | feet slip.

For you, O God, have | tested us;*

you have tried us as sil- | ver is tried.

You brought us in- | to the net;*

you laid a crushing burden | on our backs;

you let men ride o- | ver our heads;*

we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a place of a- | bundance.

I will come into your house with burnt | offerings;*

I will perform my | vows to you,

that which my lips | uttered*

and my mouth promised when I was in | trouble.

I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals, with the smoke of the sacri- | fice of rams;*

I will make an offering of | bulls and goats.

Come and hear, all you who | fear God,*

and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.

I cried to him | with my mouth,*

and high praise was | on my tongue.

If I had cherished iniquity | in my heart,*

the Lord would not have | listened.

But truly God has | listened;*

he has attended to the voice | of my prayer.

Blesséd | be God,*

because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast | love from me!

EPISTLE

1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Choir: If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him



Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"

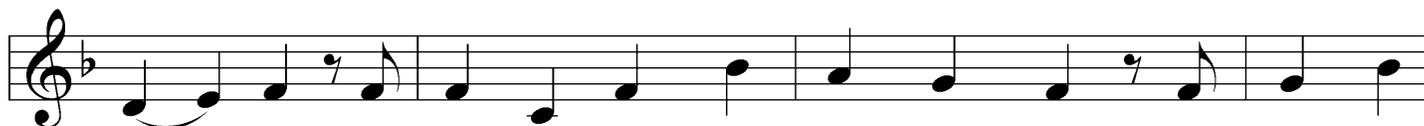
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Setting by James Engel

All:



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joice, With ex - ul - ta - tion
2 Fast bound in Sa-tan's chains I lay; Death brood-ed dark - ly



spring - ing, And with u - nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly
o'er me. Sin was my tor - ment night and day; In sin my



rap - ture sing - ing, Pro-claim the won - ders God has done, How
moth-er bore me. But dai - ly deep - er still I fell; My



His right arm the vic - t'ry won. What price our ran-som cost Him!
life be - came a liv - ing hell, So firm - ly sin pos - sessed me.

*Choir: 3 My own good works all came to naught,
No grace or merit gaining;
Free will against God's judgment fought,
Dead to all good remaining.
My fears increased till sheer despair
Left only death to be my share;
The pangs of hell I suffered.*

All: 4 But God had seen my wretched state
Before the world's foundation,
And mindful of His mercies great,
He planned for my salvation.
He turned to me a father's heart;
He did not choose the easy part
But gave His dearest treasure.

*Choir” 5 God said to His beloved Son:
 “It’s time to have compassion.
 Then go, bright jewel of My crown,
 And bring to all salvation.
 From sin and sorrow set them free;
 Slay bitter death for them that they
 May live with You forever.”*

All: 6 The Son obeyed His Father’s will,
 Was born of virgin mother;
 And God’s good pleasure to fulfill,
 He came to be my brother.
 His royal pow’r disguised He bore;
 A servant’s form, like mine, He wore
 To lead the devil captive.

*Choir: 7 To me He said: “Stay close to Me,
 I am your rock and castle.
 Your ransom I Myself will be;
 For you I strive and wrestle.
 For I am yours, and you are Mine,
 And where I am you may remain;
 The foe shall not divide us.*

All: 8 “Though he will shed My precious blood,
 Me of My life bereaving,
 All this I suffer for your good;
 Be steadfast and believing.
 Life will from death the vict’ry win;
 My innocence shall bear your sin,
 And you are blest forever.

*Choir: 9 “Now to My Father I depart,
 From earth to heav’n ascending,
 And, heavn’ly wisdom to impart,
 The Holy Spirit sending;
 In trouble He will comfort you
 And teach you always to be true
 And into truth shall guide you.*

All: 10 “What I on earth have done and taught
 Guide all your life and teaching;
 So shall the kingdom’s work be wrought
 And honored in your preaching.
 But watch lest foes with base alloy
 The heav’nly treasure should destroy;
 This final word I leave you.”

SERMON

Stand

VOTIVE

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

OFFERTORY



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -



tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Sit

OFFERING

Choir: "The Easter Carol"

setting by S. Drummond Wolff

*This joyful Eastertide,
Away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified,
Hath sprung to life this morrow.*

Refrain:

*Had Christ, that once was slain,
Ne'er burst His three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain;
But now hath Christ arisen.*

*My flesh in hope shall rest
And for a season slumber;
Till trump from east to west
Shall wake the dead in number. Refrain*

*Death's flood hath lost his chill,
Since Jesus crossed the river;
Lover of souls from ill
My passing soul deliver. Refrain*

- Cowley Carol Book, 1902

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE AND SANCTUS

P The Lord be with you.



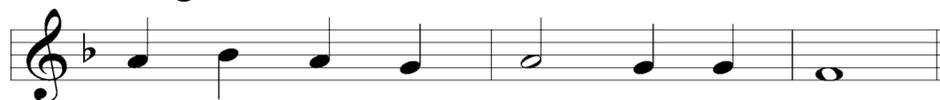
C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and saying:



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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 forever and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C A - men.

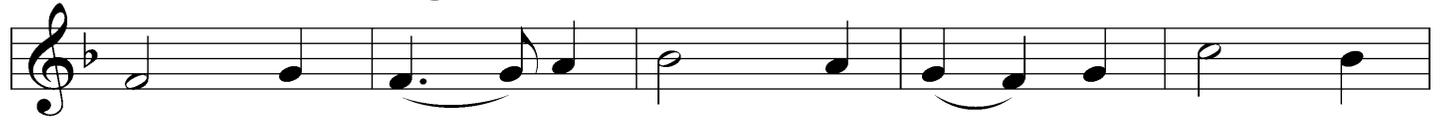
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C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the
 world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

HYMN: "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

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1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om -



scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is
 earth our food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the
 nip - o - tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of



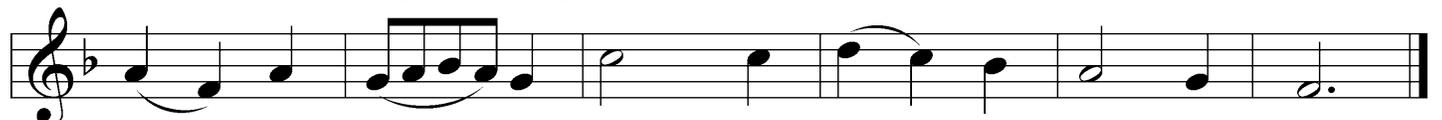
tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.
 near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.
 sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.
 Mar - y, Earth Your foot - stool, heav'n Your throne.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re -
 As with - in the veil You en - tered, Robed in



like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -
 deem - er, hear our plea Where the songs of
 flesh, our great High Priest, Here on earth both

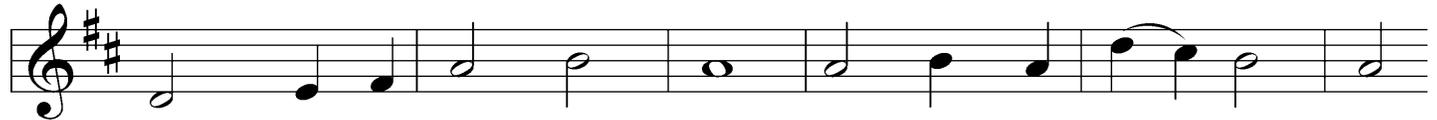


ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."
 get His prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

5 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
 His the scepter, His the throne;
 Alleluia! His the triumph,
 His the victory alone.
 Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
 Thunder like a mighty flood:
 "Jesus out of ev'ry nation
 Has redeemed us by His blood."

HYMN: "Come Down, O Love Divine"

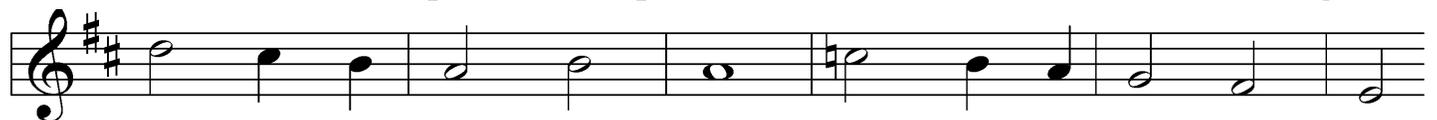
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1 Come down, O Love di - vine; Seek Thou this soul of mine,
 2 O let it free - ly burn, Till world - ly pas - sions turn
 3 Let ho - ly char - i - ty Mine out - ward ves - ture be
 4 And so the yearn - ing strong, With which the soul will long,



And vis - it it with Thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 To dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 And low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing—
 Shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;



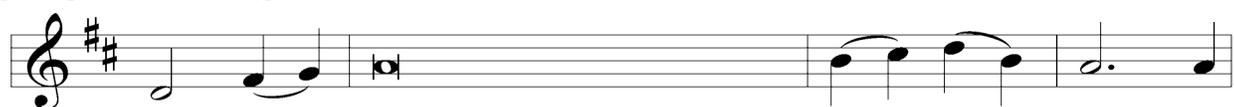
O Com - fort - er, draw near; With - in my heart ap - pear,
 And let Thy glo - rious light Shine ev - er on my sight,
 True low - li - ness of heart, Which takes the hum - bler part,
 No soul can guess His grace Till it be - come the place



And kin - dle it, Thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 And clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 And o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.
 Where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes His dwell - ing.

Stand

NUNC DIMITIS



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

A O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

A O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

A Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

CLOSING HYMN: "The Lord, My God, Be Praised"

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1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;
2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,
3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,
4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;
The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,
The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.
To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day
Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood
His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,
The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.
And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.
Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.
God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

Acknowledgments

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Stephanie Self: Being confirmed today.

Valerie: Shirley Stillman's daughter having stomach pains. Waiting for test results to see whether it's cancer or not.

Family of Clarise Ellsperman: Mother in Law of Helen Barbre Ellsperman who passed away.

Family of Neil Kahle: Friend of the Bersche's who passed away.

Christine Phillippi: recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Fred Graff: Tom Kuter's uncle who has been placed on Hospice.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Kitchen Project

We are needing approximately \$10K to complete the kitchen remodeling project. The additional funding will pay for a new stove, counter tops, exhaust hood, and hardware for the new kitchen cabinets. Please donate what you can to help us complete this project. Thank you for your support. We currently have \$1,744.45

~The Kitchen Committee

ST. JOHN'S HEAT & AIR FUND

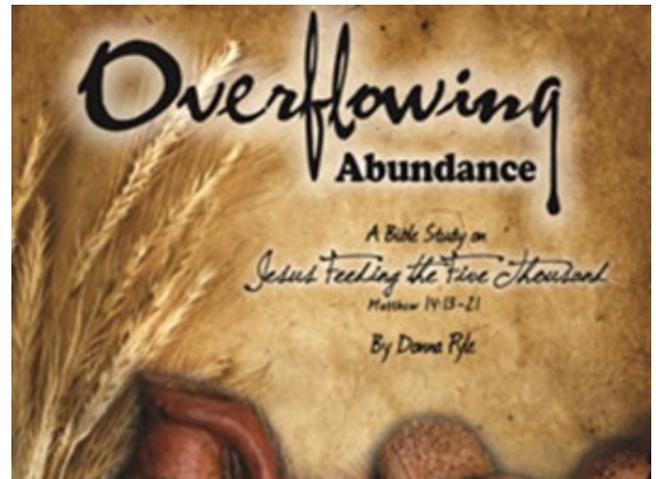
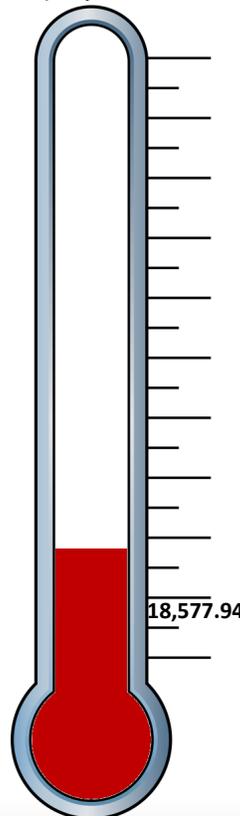
Several of our old heat and air units here at the church really need to be replaced as soon as possible, in order to do that \$61,300 will need to be collected and put into the heat and air fund. Considering we have about 125 active members, that would average to about \$500 per person. If you would like to donate please mark envelopes "St. John's heat & air fund"

Our current fund only has about \$18,577.94, but if systems don't get replaced soon that money will quickly get depleted as we pay to maintain our old heat & air units. Keep an eye on the bulletin for updates.

Please and Thank you!
~Ricco

GOAL!

\$61,3000



LWML Facebook Live *Overflowing Abundance* Bible Study Series

In the day of my trouble I call upon you, for you answer me
(Psalm 86:7).

In *Overflowing Abundance*, we look at the Biblical account of Jesus feeding the five thousand. Author, Donna (Pyle) Snow reminds us, "Instead of irritation or anger about thwarted plans, Jesus experiences compassion. He understands His mission is to teach about the kingdom of God, to allow people to glimpse it in Him."

Donna Snow will be live on Facebook each Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. central time for 30 minutes of Bible study until June 2. Go to lwml.org to register online. Download a free copy of *Overflowing Abundance* a:

<https://www.lwml.org/posts/shoplwml/lwml68932>

Join your friends world-wide as we delve into Matthew 14:13-21.



If God Wills, we will have Church Council meeting after Church on Sunday May 31, 2020. This meeting will set the agenda for a voters meeting after Church June 14, 2020. Please make an effort to attend the Council Meeting and the Voters Meeting.

Thank you!

Gwendolyn Rose O'Loughlin
graduated High School on May 15th
from Trinity Academy Home School
She was also awarded the WoHeLo Medallion,
Camp Fire's equivalent to the Eagle Scout

*She is planning on attending OCCC
next year to work towards
earning her R.N. degree*



After much prayer and due to the forgoing concerns of the COVID-19, we have decided to cancel VBS for this year. We believe it is in the best interest in our church, our community, our volunteers, and our students. We had so many fun things planned this year and we are already looking forward to bringing those things to next year's VBS!!

GET TO KNOW YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Get Involved, Make a Difference.

ALL ACTIVITIES CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

25 Sunday School	Sundays, 9:15am	
Youth Group	Sundays, 9:15am	School
Handbell Choir	Mondays, 5:45pm	Sanctuary
Choir	Mondays, 6:45pm	Choir Loft
Tuesday Night Bible Class	Tuesdays, 6:00pm (we skip the 1st Tuesday of each month)	Blanchard Hall
Senior Saints	2nd & 4th Tuesday each month	Blanchard Hall
LWML	1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm	Blanchard Hall
Mission Board	2nd Tuesday each month, 7:00pm	Library
Quilters	Wednesdays, 9:00am-11:00am	Blanchard Hall
Wednesday Bible Study	Wednesdays, 11:00am	Sanctuary
In Christ Alone Bible Study	Thursdays, 7:00pm	Varies
Men's Bible Study	3rd Saturday every month, 08:00am	Blanchard Hall

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED OR WOULD LIKE TO LEARN MORE PLEASE REFER TO THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE WEST HALLWAY!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

May 20th
Dick & Eileen Kortemeier

May 21st
Brent & Suzet Roggow

May 22nd
Walter & Henriette Pratt

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

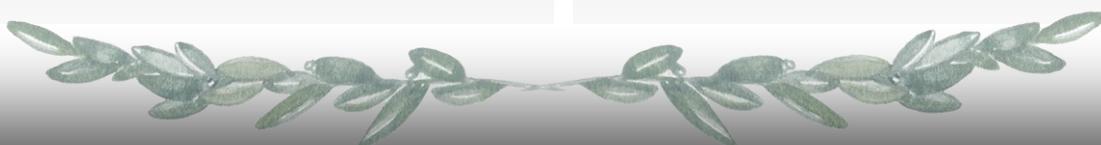
May 18th: Dorsey Ramsey

May 20th: Cliff Corey, Anna Ward, LaWanda McCurdy

May 22nd: Jennifer Karner, Barbara Kuter

May 23rd: Robert O'Connor

May 24th: Garrett Johnson



Do you shop on amazon.com?

If so, the LWML Oklahoma District asks you to consider establishing a smile account to support the district's mite goal. Go to: smile.amazon.com

and establish your account. You will be asked which charitable organization you wish to support. Choose the LWML Oklahoma District with the address as Ponca City. Whenever you shop, log into your account through smile.amazon.com. Whenever you shop, 0.05% of the amount you spend will be donated to the LWML Oklahoma District. It's an easy way to contribute to the work of the LWML within our district.

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, May 10th

09:00am: 39

STEWARDSHIP

Wednesday, March 4th

\$558.00

Sunday, March 8th

\$4,022.00

Sunday, March 8th

\$8,073.25

Wednesday, April 29th

\$1,671.31

Sunday, May 3rd

\$5,825.00

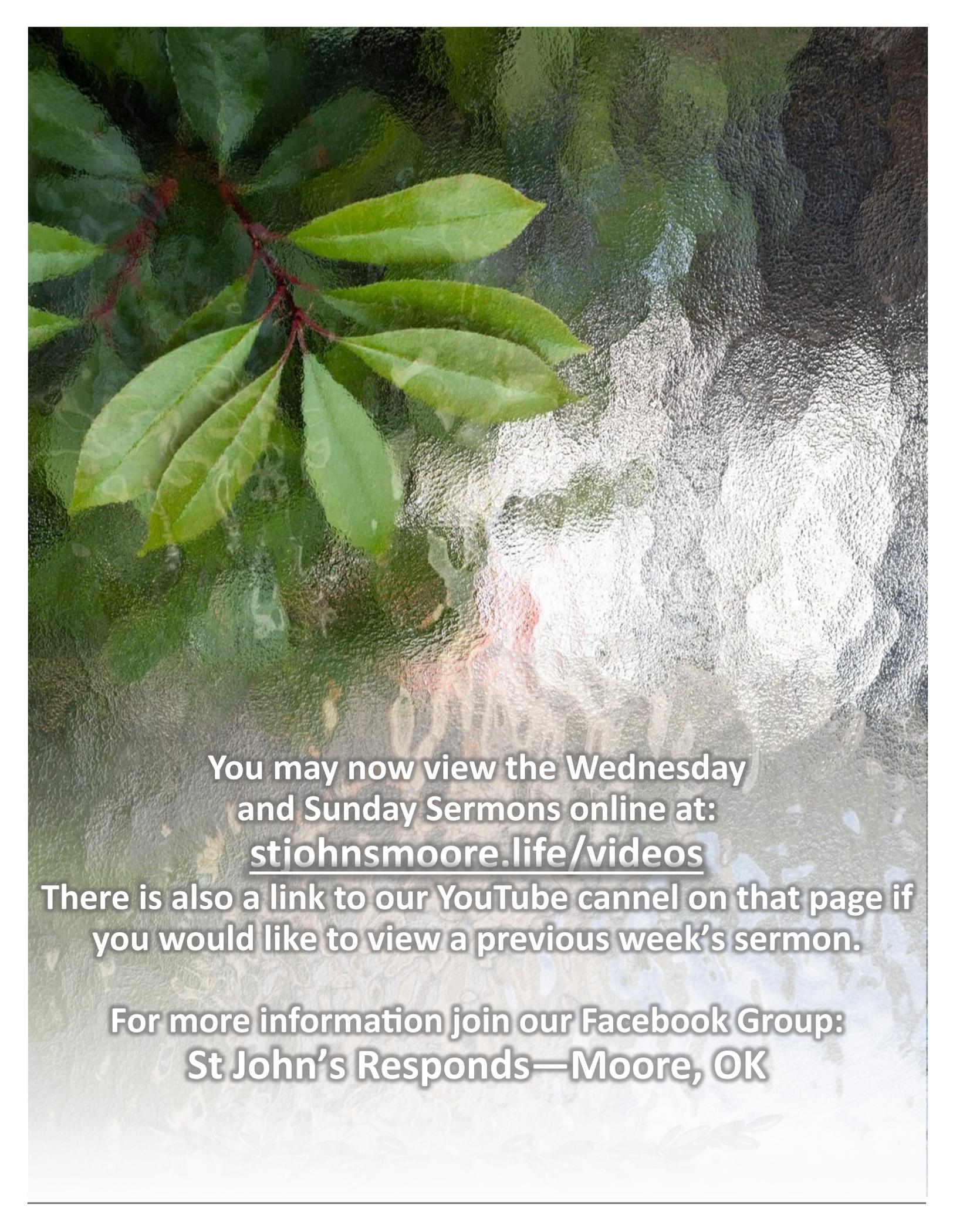
For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone (Psalm 91:11-12 ESV).

As our state gradually reopens and we return to worship, we remember that we must continue to follow CDC guidelines. We should heed advice from Rev. Robert Wurst, Lutheran Emergency Response Training (LERT) Volunteer Manager, LCMS Disaster Response:

- ▶ Follow common sense precautions (wash your hands, cover coughs and sneezes)
- ▶ Remember your "social distance"
- ▶ Set limits on exposure to news and social media (you *know* it gets to you)
- ▶ Stay connected to your family and friends
- ▶ Find something that relaxes you
- ▶ Try to exercise at least 30 minutes daily
- ▶ Pray the Psalms (4, 23, 27, 46, 91, 121)
- ▶ Sing a hymn (LSB 716, 719, 724, 726, etc.)
- ▶ Pray for your congregation, community, government, friends, and family (hint: The Litany - LSB, page 288)
- ▶ Ask your pastor how to help him and others in the congregation
- ▶ Look for ways to appropriately help your neighbors and family (shop, drive to the store for the aged and single parent, pick up food orders)

**MANAGE YOUR ANXIETY
AND FEAR . . .**





**You may now view the Wednesday
and Sunday Sermons online at:
stjohnsmoore.life/videos**

**There is also a link to our YouTube channel on that page if
you would like to view a previous week's sermon.**

**For more information join our Facebook Group:
St John's Responds—Moore, OK**