

Proper 8 June 27, 2021 St John's Ev. Lutheran Church and School

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10 AM By phone 1(888) 788-0099 Meeting ID 886 7604 5376 for Personal ID use “ # ”

We are on Zoom and have established an 800 number for those who wish to use their phone to connect and not be charged long distance. Our weekly invitation link can also be used by Wi-Fi connection. The Zoom computer connection or 800 number is a good way for you to have our service available to you and your family and friends. **1(888) 788-0099** is the free 800 phone number. For Sunday worship the meeting ID is **886 7604 5376**, no personal ID is required. Just hit the # sign when asked for personal ID. If you have a smart phone you can enter with video connection or not. If you do not get in please call 385-234-1931 before 10 AM and I will try to help you connect.

The easiest way to come on Zoom by computer is to have an invitation email with a link. You will need to send your email address to me or Susan, so we can send out an invitation with a link to our meeting. If you notice someone missing from the email addresses in your email or want to invite someone you know, either forward this to them or send an email to Susan Roberts or Pastor Hank so we can include them in our ongoing email invitations if they desire.

We are privileged and commanded by God to worship Him. Worship is the highest art form and good work that humans can do before and with God. Worship brings us into God's presence, where we first confess our sins and receive His forgiveness to enter His presence as well as receive His blessings for life now and in eternity. Worship establishes and maintains eternal fellowship with God. Worship is not an entertainment activity. Do not sit back and watch; true worship requires your active listening and participation. Even while muted, sing the hymns and speak the responses, prayers and confessions.

Because of the second to second and a half lag-time between you and the source of the music or leading voice, unison participation requires us to mute our mic or phone if this feature is available, or cover the mouthpiece/mic. Only one voice should be heard responding to avoid confusion of the feedback and distract from our worship.. Our joyful noise is certainly heard by our Lord, but it is distracting to our worship concentration with the lag time. Remember, worship is not worship unless you are involved in the worship acts, so don't just watch, -- join in, listen and participate.

You will have opportunity to speak to and greet each other both before and after worship. The actual worship will start at 10 AM, but we will establish our meeting for you to connect at or after 9:45 AM. You will come into the waiting room and be brought in by the host or co-host ASAP. Your wait time will be very short. Please join us.

We are opening up the church so you can worship in it. We will need to social distance as family units, wear masks, wash hands and enjoy fellowship together. Cell Phones dialed into our zoom program will allow you to fellowship with and be active together in worship if you choose to worship from home. You are asked to mute your phone while service is going on and to worship normally. Communion is offered on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays after completion of the worship on zoom. Private communion is offered upon request. We will continue to utilize zoom for Sunday worship as part of our outreach to the community and for those who are at home or traveling.

Thank you for joining our worship today.

Pastor Hank & St. John's Congregation

St. John's Lutheran Church & CCDC

July 4, 2021 Proper 9 / 6th Sunday after Pentecost

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Divine Service Setting 1 / Service of the Word & Sacrament

GREETINGS:

P: We worship in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

C: Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

Opening Hymn “America the Beautiful”

1. O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on Thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!
2. O beautiful for pilgrim feet, Whose stern, impassioned stress A thorough fare for freedom
beat. Across the wilderness! America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, Thy liberty in law!
3. O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife, Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life! America! America! May God Thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness And ev'ry gain divine!
4. O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years Thine alabaster cities gleam,
Undimmed by human tears! America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: but if we confess our sins, God, Who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and
cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: Let us then, confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

*P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake, forgives you all
your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore
forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C: Amen!

INTROIT (Ps.132:13-16 Antiphon Ps.34:8)

P: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

C: Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

P: For the LORD has chosen Zion;

C: He has desired it for His dwelling place:

P: "This is My resting place forever;

C: here I will dwell, for I have desired it.

P: I will abundantly bless her provisions;

C: I will satisfy her poor with bread.

P: Her priests I will clothe with salvation,

C: and her saints will shout for joy.

**Glory be to the Father and to the (+) Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

C: Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

KYRIE:

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Sing **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation. Let us pray to the Lord.

Sing **C: Lord, have mercy.**

*P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, & the unity of all,
Let us pray to the Lord.*

Sing **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house & for all who offer here their worship & praise. Let us pray to the Lord.

Sing **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Sing **C: Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE This Is the Feast

Refrain : This is the feast of victory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia

1. -- Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, Whose blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain.*
2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. *Refrain*
3. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all cre – a - tion. *Stanza 4*
4. Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen *Refrain*
5. For the Lamb -- Who was slain has begun His reign. Al-le-lu-ia. *Refrain*

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

Sing **C: And also with you.**

COLLECT of the Day:

P: Let us pray. O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly

treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Sing **C: AMEN.**

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 12:1-5

¹ The Word of the LORD came to me: Son of man, you dwell in the midst of a rebellious house, who have eyes to see, but see not, who have ears to hear, but hear not, for they are a rebellious house.

³ As for you, son of man, prepare for yourself an exile's baggage, and go into exile by day in their sight. You shall go like an exile from your place to another place in their sight. Perhaps they will understand, though they are a rebellious house. ⁴ You shall bring out your baggage by day in their sight, as baggage for exile, and you shall go out yourself at evening in their sight, as those do who must go into exile. ⁵ In their sight dig through the wall, and bring your baggage out through it. ⁶ In their sight you shall lift the baggage upon your shoulder and carry it out at dusk. You shall cover your face that you may not see the land, for I have made you a sign for the house of Israel."

P: This is the Word of the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

GRADUAL: (Ps. 145:3,5b,6b)

P: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

C: How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!

P: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

C: To Him be glory forever. Amen.

EPISTLE READING: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

¹ I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ² I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. ³ And I know that this man was caught up into paradise – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵ On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶ Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷ So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. ⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹ But He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰ For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

VERSE: (Ps. 127:1a)

P: Alleluia. They cast out many demons

C: and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them. Alleluia.

Common Verse:

Sing **Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.**

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 6:1-13

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the sixth chapter.

Sing **C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹ He went away from there and came to His hometown, and His disciples followed Him. ² And on the Sabbath He began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard Him were astonished, saying, “Where did this Man get these things? What is the wisdom given to Him? How are such mighty works done by His hands? ³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us? And they took offense at Him. ⁴ And Jesus said to them, A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among His relatives and in His own household.” ⁵ And He could do no mighty work there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶ And He marveled because of their unbelief. And He went about among the villages teaching. ⁷ And He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts – but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. ¹⁰ And He said to them, “Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. ¹¹ And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹² So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. ¹³ And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Sing **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON HYMN: LBS 656 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

1. A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon; He helps us free from ev’ry need That hath us now o’er – taken. The Old evil foe Now means deadly woe; Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight; On earth is not his equal.
2. With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected; But for us fights the valiant One, Whom God Himself elected. Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is, Of Sabaoth Lord, And there’s none other God; He holds the field forever.
3. Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us, We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not over pow’r us. This world’s prince may still Scowl fierce as he will, he can harm us none. He’s judged; the deed is done; One little word can fell him.
4. The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it; He’s by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit. And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife, Though these all be gone, Our vict’ry has been won; The Kingdom ours remaineth.

SERMON: “The Great and Terrible Day of the Lord ”

Nicene Creed *(the confession of Christ’s Universal Christian Church)*

P: Let us now confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: I believe in 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.

Prayer Hymn: “Faith of Our Fathers”

Refrain: Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

1. Faith of our fathers! living still In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
O how our hearts beat high with joy, When -e’er we hear that glorious word! *(Refrain)*
2. Faith of our fathers! we will strive To win all nations unto thee;
And through the truth that come from God Man-kind shall then be truly free. *(Refrain)*
3. Faith of our fathers! we will love Both friend and foe in all our strife;
And preach thee, too, as love knows how By kind-ly words and virtuous life. *(Refrain)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH for the Nation and Church

P: Almighty God, You have given us this good land as our heritage. Grant that we remember Your generosity and constantly do Your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord and confusion, from pride and arrogance, from every evil course of action. Grant that we, who came from many nations with many different languages and cultures, may become a united people under You. Support us in defending our liberties, and give those to whom we have entrusted the authority of government the spirit of wisdom, that there may be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous, may our hearts be thankful, and in troubled times do not let our trust in You fail; Lord in Your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Lord God of hosts, stretch forth Your almighty arm to strengthen and protect those who serve in the armed forces of our country. Support them in times of war, and in times of peace keep them from all evil, giving them courage and loyalty. Grant that in all things they may serve with integrity and with honor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord in Your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

P: O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, defend us, Your humble servants, for all the assaults of our enemies that we, surely trusting in Your defense, may not fear the power of any

*adversary but may rejoice in Your abiding protection; through the might of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Lord in Your mercy:*

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Almighty God, heavenly Father, You have blessed us with the joy and care of children. Give us calm strength and patient wisdom that, as they grow in years, we may teach them to love whatever is just and true and good, following the example of our Savior, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Lord in Your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Almighty God and gracious Father, in Your mercy look on those whose increasing years bring them weakness, anxiety, distress, or loneliness. Grant that they may always know care and respect, concern and understanding. Grant them willing hearts to accept help and, as their strength wanes, increase their faith with the constant assurance of Your love, through Jesus Christ, their Savior Lord in Your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

P: and teach us to pray;

LORD'S PRAYER:

**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.

Sing OFFERTORY:

All: What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the Name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation, and will call on the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,

In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

OFFERING: (As you are privileged, do contribute to our Lord's ministry by sending your offering in support of God's ministry at St. John's Lutheran Church, 475 East Herbert Ave., Salt Lake City, UT 84111)

In the House of the Lord, the Offering is taken for the partnership with God in His ministry in our community and through this congregation. To participate, you will need to send it to the address above or use the PayPal app on our website. stjohnslutheranslc.org

Offering Hymn Offering Hymn LSB 789 Praise and Thanksgiving

1. Praise and thanks-giving, Father, we offer For all things living, Created good: Harvest of sown fields, Fruits of the orchard, Hay from the mown fields, Blossom and wood.
2. Bless, Lord, the labor We bring to serve You That with our neighbor We may be fed. Sowing or tilling, We would work with You, Harvesting, milling For daily bread.
3. Father, providing Food for Your children, By Your wise guiding Teach us to share One with another, So that, rejoicing With us, all others May know Your care.

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: AMEN.

Closing Hymn “Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”

Chorus: Glory! Glory, hallelujah! Glory! glory, hallelujah! Glory! glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

1. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lighting of His terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on. (*chorus*)
4. In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me;
As He died to make men holy, let us live to make men free;
While God is marching on.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Please keep in your prayers: Dru Gylten, Robert Schiavo, Sharyn Oliver, Louise Merritt, Bob Malinsky, Dorothy Erickson, Joan Schrank, Lola Stopper, Irma Keil, Irmgard Ristau, Maurine Rathje, Barbara Clark, and Colleen & Ray Johnson.
2. Wednesday Bible Study is at 10 AM on zoom. Request a link from Susan. All are invited. We will be beginning the First Letter of Peter.
3. The church is open for at-church worship. Please social distance and wear masks if you have not been vaccinated for Covid 19.
4. Continue to gather your yard sale donation stuff together. We will be holding the sale in September.
5. Pastor-elect Justin Clarke’s installation will be on **July 17** at 2 pm at Christ Murry. All are invited and encouraged to attend.
6. Dr. Reed Lessing, Professor at Concordia Seminary St. Louis will lead a class on the book of Exodus on July 12-14 at Holy Trinity Riverton. If you would like to attend the class you need to register on line with Concordia Seminary St. Louis. The fee for nonclergy is \$100 and \$150 for clergy. CEU’s are available. If you are interested ask and I will send you the link for registration as soon as I have it.
7. July 11th is our Annual Church Picnic and worship in the park @ 10 A.M. We can easily socially distance and enjoy each other and God’s good gifts to His Family. Dianne and I will be celebrating 8 years with you and 27 years in ministry. To God be the glory! **Please come and invite your friends and family** for this special celebration. Bring a dish to share. Hot dogs, Brats and Watermelon along with soda pop & water will be available. If I could get a count of how many are coming it would be helpful. Send a text or email if you can. We will again have kids games and prizes.
8. July 23 is our mission outreach with Water for Life. Please advise me whether you will be able to assist that day with our Christian outreach.
9. Our Mission in Akobo South Sudan needs our prayers for their people and Pastor Stevens and others who are sharing the Gospel and economic support. Poor economic / food shortages due to war and pandemic along with a rainy season that is on again off again is an extreme challenge to our ministry there. Continued mission outreach is critical as this open door seems to be in danger of closing.