HE HAS RESCUED US FROM THE DOMINION OF DARKNESS AND BROUGHT US INTO THE KINGDOM OF HIS BELOVED SON. - COLOSSIANS 1:13

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH St. John Lutheran Preschool & Childcare The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod 824 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, Wisconsin - 262-692-2734

Special Welcome To Those With Young Children

We are very happy that you are here today! At St. John we want you to feel at home.

- First, please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at St. John.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please dare to sit toward the front where your children can easily watch the pastor, note the colors, hear the bells, see the fire, and wonder about the stained-glass windows of the Lord's Prayer and the Sacraments of Holy Baptism and the Lord's Supper. What Jesus does here promises to engage them.
- As we go, softly explain the Liturgy to your children, encouraging them to chime in on their parts: *Amen! Lord have mercy! And with your spirit! I believe! Our Father!* All of that belongs to them too.
- Be sure to sing and say and pray your parts too as you stand and sit. Your children learn by following your lead.

If you and your child must leave, please hurry back. We want your children here so much that we didn't build a nursery. Like Jesus, we want your children in the Liturgy, not out.

 If you need a little help, just ask. There are lots of good folks here who would love to lend you a hand!

Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Luke 18:16).

We know that your children are a gift to the Church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help and bless you all. Welcome to St. John!



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION



Stand

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

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

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- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

Confession of Sins

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.

Absolution

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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.

Remain Standing

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit



is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good,* for his steadfast love endures for- | ever.







Salutation and Collect of the Day





C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, in Your deep compassion You rescue us from whatever may hurt us. Teach us to love You above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

¹ The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²"Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, I am the LORD your God. ³You shall not do as they do in the land of Egypt, where you lived, and you shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan, to which I am bringing you. You shall not walk in their statutes. ⁴You shall follow my rules and keep my statutes and walk in them. I am the LORD your God. ⁵You shall therefore keep my statutes and my rules; if a person does them, he shall live by them: I am the LORD....

Leviticus 18:1–5; 19:9–18

⁹"When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. ¹⁰And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God.

¹¹"You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. ¹²You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

¹³"You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until the morning. ¹⁴You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

¹⁵ You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor.
¹⁶You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

¹⁷"You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. ¹⁸You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual



Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the | good news,* who publish peace and bring good news of sal- | vation.

Epistle

Colossians 1:1–14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

²To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, ⁶which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, ⁷just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf ⁸and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

A This is the Word of the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Stand



²⁵Behold, a lawyer stood up to put [Jesus] to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in

the Law? How do you read it?" ²⁷And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

²⁹But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."









- Let us recall that in our midst
 Dwells Christ, His only Son;
 As members of His body joined
 We are in Him made one.
- 6 For love excludes no race or clan That names the Savior's name; His family embraces all Whose Father is the same.

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Recognition of Service – Cheryl Krueger's 25-Year Anniversary

Sermon

The Rev. Marshal Frisque

Following the Sermon, the Pastor Prays:

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



Stand

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.

Prayer of the Church

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

Final Petition:

- **P** ... one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Sit

Our Offerings to God

The Offering is a part of our Worship life together as God's children gathered here at St. John. This historical practice is more than "helping pay the electric bill". Having received His absolution and cleansing of our sin, the Offering, then, is a part of our worship posture (Psalm 51). As we move from the Service of the Word to the Service of the Sacrament we bring before God, in a communal fashion (Acts 2:42-47), the toils of our hands, the bread of the earth (Gen. 3:19) and give it to God. This, He transforms and provides back to us the Bread of Life in the Sacrament of the Altar! Together, placing our offerings in the plate, the Lord sees and treats all giving hearts the same, whether they can provide much or little (Luke 21:1-4). All of this, then, furthers God's mission and ministry in our flock and into the lives of our community members. May the Lord bless your lives as you entrust your possessions to Him (Phil. 4:10-20)!

(Please place your offering envelope in the collection plates at the entrance to the Sanctuary, thank you!)

Stand



Our 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 Pastor Frisque. All are welcome to come forward for a blessing from Pastor by placing your arms in an "X" across your chest.

If you intend to receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please place the empty cup in the gold bowls following your table's dismissal. If you intend to receive from the common cup, please raise your hand forward, signaling your preference, and then feel free to guide the chalice to your lips by holding on to the bottom of the chalice.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.



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Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



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.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."





Sit

Distribution





HYMN: "Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion" LSB 559 1 Oh. great Your com - pas - sion, Faith - ful Fa - ther. how is 2 Your great love for this has striv - en That we may, from 3 Firm - ly Wit - ness - es Your soul's sal - va - tion to our 4 Lord, Your will not leave me; Ev - er will Your mer - cy 5 I will praise Your great com - pas - sion, Faith - ful Fa - ther. grace. God of That with all our fall en race free, with sin made Live You ter nal - ly. e Spir - it, Lord, In Your Sac ments and Word. ra _ You will truth bide. Then in Ι con - fide. а all That with fall God of grace, our - en race depth of You In our deg - ra - da - tion had mer - cv giv - en Your dear Son Him self has And ex - tends His sends true Giv - ing There He con - so - la - tion, the us Since Your Word can not de - ceive me, My sal - va - tion In our depth of deg - ra - da - tion You had mer - cy Might be ly! so that we saved ter nal e --His gra - cious call, To sup per leads us all. gift of That faith we fear not hell nor death. is to me Safe and sure e ter nal lv. that we Might be saved e _ ter nal ly. SO

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HYMN: "When I Behold Jesus Christ"



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HYMN: "What Wondrous Love Is This"

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Stand





Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Prayer & Commissioning – LCMS National Youth Gathering Leaders

Please join us in praying for safe travels, meaningful connections, and spiritual growth for both the chaperones and the high school youth they serve.







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Elders (9 AM): Rob Russell / Steve Jagow

Finance Team: Parchim / Hempelman

Altar Committee: Melissa Lareau & Cindy Scheunemann

Flower Committee: Judy Wolff

Usher Team (#5): Aaron Viets, Captain

<u>Sun (7/13/25)</u>

⊕5th Sunday after Pentecost

- Divine Service 9 AM
- Recognition of Cheryl Krueger's 25 years of Lutheran School Teaching
- Commissioning of high school youth and chaperones for national youth gathering
- Lord's Supper Class for Youth 10:15 AM

<u>Mon 7/14/25)</u>

 Men's Softball 7:15 PM (Belgium)

<u>Wed (7/16/25)</u>

Divine Service 7 PM

<u>Sat (7/19/25)</u>

• Youth Trip Send-off: prayers for a faithfilled journey to New Orleans!

Sun (7/20/25)

- Divine Service 9 AM
- Lord's Supper Class for Youth 10:15 AM
- Board of Ed. Meeting following the 9am service.





Please Remember in Your Prayers:

- Rose Bottesi
- Jane Kultgen (Eric Kultgen's mother)
- Yoke Tanko
- Tim Monahan (Debbie Paape's brother)
- Christofer Munoz Soto (Hilgendorf's greatgrandson)
- Judy Fischer
- Keith Johnson
- Susan Kloppmann (Alisyn Bell's aunt)
- Randy Fairbert (Betty Fairbert's son)
- Lou Anne (Grace Bonjean's friend)
- Bethany Moore (Matt Hein's sister)
- Monika Olson (Karla Hein's mother)
- Linda Nordby & Bobby Lueders (Mike Berry's friends)
- Mildred Rosso
- Nico Lawver (Lisa McGuire's cousin's son)
- Pam Anschuetz (Renae Roos's friend)
- Paul Voight (Sandy Jacque's father)
- Amelia (Mass family friend)
- Cindy Fellenz (Janet Block's friend)
- Joni Heilgendorf (Rose Bottesi's sister-inlaw)
- Dohn Zimmerman (Gruell family friend)

May God's peace, comfort, and healing be with them all.

<u>Help Beautify Our Church Grounds –</u> <u>Volunteers Needed for Church Flower Beds</u>



"Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us and establish the work of our hands for us." – Psalm 90:17

We're looking for volunteers to help maintain the flower beds around the church. This includes caring for perennial plants and doing some light weeding. If you enjoy gardening or just want to lend a hand, we'd love your help! Please contact the **church office at 262-692-2734** or **Pastor Marshal Frisque at 608-449-6243** for more information or to volunteer.



Divine Call Received

Pastor Frisque has received a Divine Call to serve as Sole Pastor at Peace Lutheran Church in Neenah, Wisconsin. Please keep Pastor and family, as well as both our congregation and the saints at Peace, in your prayers as he prayerfully considers where the Lord would have him serve, whether remaining here or moving to Peace. Members are welcome to reach out to Pastor Frisque at any time to ask questions about the call process, and to share their thoughts, prayers, and concerns. Pastor plans to announce his decision in early August. We trust in the guidance of the Holy Spirit and rejoice that Christ's Church is cared for in every place.

Continuing Today: Lord's Supper Class for Youth



This summer, youth are invited to attend a six-week Lord's Supper class introducing the Six Chief Parts of the faith from Luther's Small Catechism. Designed with families in mind, it equips parents to teach faith at home using engaging tools like illustrations, singing, and church architecture. The class supports preparation for first communion

prior to confirmation. Remaining Sundays after 9am service: 7/13, 7/20, 7/27, 8/3, 8/10. More info at the Welcome Center!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Steak Fry & Shooting Range

 Friday, July 25 | Time: 4 – 10 PM
 Keith Johnson's Home, W4624 Hwy A, Fredonia Food, fun, and fellowship—bring a friend!
 To sign up yourself and/or a friend, please go to www.StJohnFredonia.org/mens-night

VBS: Register Today! "Epic Australian Adventure" Aug. 11–15 | Time: 9:00–11:30 AM Location: St. John Lutheran Church Ages 3–Grade 5 (must be potty trained) Bible stories, crafts & music — Aussie style!



Scan the QR code to register!

VBS Help Needed! We're getting ready for another great year of Vacation Bible School and need volunteers! Scan the QR code below to see how you can help.

Thank you for your support!



VBS Family Picnic

 Sunday, August 17 | 10:00 AM – Church Service 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM – VBS Family Picnic Location: Church Property
 Celebrate a great week of VBS with LOTS of food, games with prizes, a Corn Hole Tournament, Bounce Houses, and fun for the whole family!

New Member Class Saturdays | August 30 – October 4 Time: 9:00–11:00 AM Discover more about our faith, our church, and becoming a member of the St. John family.



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