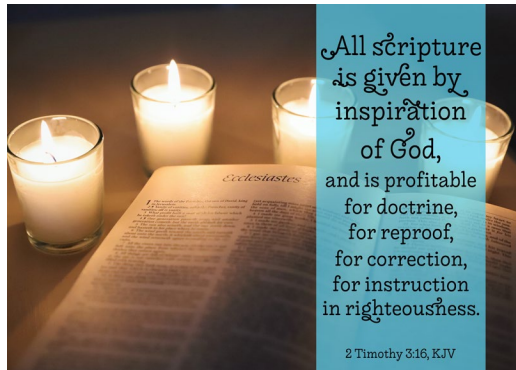


We Welcome our Guest Worship Leader:
Pastor Bruce Hanneman
Half-time Pastor at St. John's, Princeton.

**Our Worship; Why we do what we do: The Reading of The Word
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost:
DEFINE CHRISTIAN:
THE CHRISTIAN ANSWERS DOUBT WITH FAITH
ST. JOHN'S & EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCHES
August 13th, 2023**

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We pray that you find comfort, peace, and motivation through God's Word today. In our worship bulletin, you will find an outline of **today's order of worship**. The entire service can be found in the hymnal, up on the screen on Sunday at St. John's and Emmanuel and livestreamed at www.stjohnsmontello.org and also at St. John's in the Lower Level. At St. John's, the **restrooms** are located in the link way, out the church entry way, to the left and down the stairs. At Emmanuel, they are located in the Parish Hall. You may also find a **nursery changing station** in the lower level of St. John's.



SERIES THEME: OUR WORSHIP; WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

Through the month of August, we will take a step back and look at “why we do what we do” in our worship services. We will be covering four areas of our worship: Confession and Absolution, The reading of The Word, Prayer, and The Sacraments. These are vital elements to our worship of our God, Savior, and King. It is fitting that we pause and reflect on each of these elements of our worship.

THEME FOR THIS WEEK: THE READING OF THE WORD

The Word of God is the chief element of our worship. Without the Holy Scriptures, we have nothing. In our worship, we have 4 readings, which may include passages from The Old Testament, the Psalms, The Epistles, and The Gospels. At St. John’s & Emmanuel, we follow the 3-year lectionary, in which currently we are in Year A.

PASTOR HANNEMAN’S SERMON: Matthew 14:22-33 “Why Do Christians Have Doubts?”

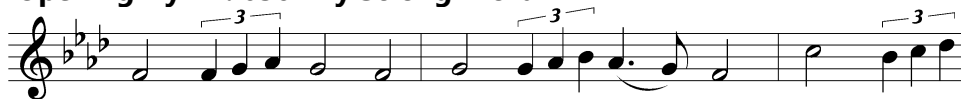
This week’s order of worship will be in this bulletin. The Scripture Readings will continue with the theme **Define Christian**. This week is the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost; Define Christian: The Christian Answers Doubt With Faith.

THE CHRISTIAN ANSWERS DOUBT WITH FAITH.

Wherever faith clings to the promises of God, doubt is always lingering in the back of our mind, constantly asking the serpent’s garden question, “Did God really say?” How striking to think that one must have faith in God before it is even possible to doubt him! It is not uncommon that, in times of adversity, doubt rears its ugly head—doubts about God’s care, God’s promises, God’s providence. In those times, the true answer to doubt is not found in some great miracle that removes adversity, but in the still small voice of our Savior God whispering to us in his Word. Through that Word Christ reaches out to us with nail scarred hands, proof of his great love. Jesus gently says, “Why did you doubt?” Our faith is restored. The Christian answers doubt with faith because Jesus makes it so.

Personal Preparation for Holy Communion is on Hymnal Page 295.

Opening Hymn: 630 Thy Strong Word



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; at thy
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, dark as
3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us right - eous; bright with
4 From the cross thy wis - dom shin - ing break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed light we
night and deep as death, broke the light of thy sal -
thine own ho - li - ness, glo - rious now, we press toward
forth in con - qu'ring might; from the cross for - ev - er



thank thee while thine or - dered sea - sons run.
va - tion, breathed thine own life - giv - ing breath.
glo - ry, and our lives our hopes con - fess.
beam - eth all thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

- 5 Give us lips to sing thy glory, tongues thy mercy to proclaim, throats to shout the hope that fills us, mouths to speak thy holy name. Alleluia, alleluia! May the light which thou dost send fill our songs with alleluias, alleluias without end!
- 6 God the Father, light-creator, to thee laud and honor be. To thee, Light from Light begotten, praise be sung eternally. Holy Spirit, light-revealer, glory, glory be to thee. Mortals, angels, now and ever praise the holy Trinity!

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Tune: Thomas J. Williams, 1869–1944

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Reader: *In the early church, hearing the Word and receiving the Sacrament were separated by a time for fellowship. Each service began with a greeting: "The Lord be with you," the minister said, and the people responded, "And also with you." We'll see this greeting again at the beginning of the communion service.*

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

Amen.

Confession

Pastor: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

Congregation: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Congregation: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Pastor: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy (Kyrie)

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

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

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise The LORD!

640 God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

God's Word is our great her - i - tage and shall be ours for -
ev - er; to spread its light from age to age shall be our
chief en - deav - or. Thro' life it guides our way, in death it
is our stay. Lord, grant, while worlds en - dure, we keep its
teach - ings pure through - out all gen - er - a - tions.

Text: tr. Ole G. Belsheim, alt.; Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872

Tune: Friedrich O. Reuter, 1863–1924

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The Word

Reader: Now we come to the Word section of The Service; we see it in large letters in the hymnal: **The Word**. When the early Christians “devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching,” they were eager to hear about the words and works of Jesus. The apostles were the Savior’s witnesses and had heard and seen Jesus in person. The Service follows that pattern: it highlights the words and works of Jesus in a reading from one of the four gospels. A unique feature of our order of service is what we call the **Proper**: a set of readings, prayers, psalms, and hymns that focus on the main truth of the day’s Gospel. As the truth in the Gospel changes from week to week and on the various festivals of the year, the Proper changes, too. The gospel accounts and their Proper are guided by the **Christian Calendar** or **Church Year**. Over the course of centuries, Christian churches developed a plan to review the words and works of Christ every year. We divide the calendar into two parts: the Time of Christ and the Time of the Church. The Time of Christ (which our hymnal divides into the Time of Christmas and the Time of Easter) occurs between late November and May. It focuses on the main events of Jesus’ life and so includes the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter. It ends with the Day of Pentecost and Sunday of the Holy Trinity. The Time of the Church focuses on words Jesus spoke during his ministry to guide us in our lives as Christians. The Proper for today is the Proper appointed for this Sunday in the Church Year.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Reader: The Proper begins with the **Prayer of the Day**. The minister invites the congregation to bring this prayer to God: “Let us pray,” he says. The prayer requests the blessings that are going to be given in the readings and the sermon on this day.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what you want done; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

Reader: *There are three readings in The Service. The **First Reading** is usually from the Old Testament and helps us to see that the words and works of Jesus in the Gospel for the day were promised and applied even before he came to earth. Worshipers become involved in the reading by responding to the minister's concluding sentence: "The Word of the Lord." Worshipers say with joy: "Thanks be to God."*

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:9–18

(The Lord answers Elijah's doubt not with a great show of power but with the gentle whisper of God's gracious promise.)

⁹There he went into a cave and spent the night. And the word of the LORD came to him: "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." ¹¹The LORD said, "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹²After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." ¹⁵The LORD said to him, "Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. ¹⁶Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. ¹⁷Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. ¹⁸Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Reader: *The Book of Psalms was the hymnal of the Old Testament and is filled with praises and prayers about God's great love. The **Psalm of the Day** matches the theme of the day's Gospel and enables worshipers to proclaim the Word of God in music and to take their turn to declare the wonders God has done.*

Psalm 73A: God Is the Strength of My Heart

Refrain



God is the strength of my heart and my por-tion for-ev - er.

Tone



As for me, my feet had / almost slipped;

I had nearly lost my / foothold.

For I envied the / arrogant

when I saw the prosperity of the / wicked.

It troubled me deeply till I entered the sanctuary / of God;

then I understood their final / destiny. *Refrain*

You guide me with your / counsel,

and afterward you will take me into / glory.

Whom have I in / heav'n but you?

And earth has nothing I desire be- / sides you.

My flesh and my / heart may fail,

but God is the strength of my heart and my portion for- / ever.

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. *Refrain*

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Reader: The **Second Reading** is from one of the New Testament letters, the epistles. This reading also complements the theme of the day's Gospel. Again worshipers respond with thanks after hearing the Word of the Lord.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:28–39

(Paul teaches that in all things, good times and bad, we can trust that God is carrying out his perfect plan for his glory and our salvation.)

²⁸And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified. ³¹What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.” ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn of the Day: 847 Be Still, My Soul



1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side; bear pa-tient-
 2 Be still, my soul; your God will un - der - take to guide the
 3 Be still, my soul; when dear-est friends de - part and all is
 4 Be still, my soul; the hour is has - t'ning on when we shall



ly the cross of grief or pain; leave to your God to or - der
 fu - ture as he has the past; your hope, your con - fi - dence, let
 dark - ened in the vale of tears, then you will bet - ter know his
 be for - ev - er with the Lord, when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and



and pro - vide; in ev - 'ry change he faith - ful will re -
 noth - ing shake; all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at
 love, his heart, who comes to soothe your sor - rows and your
 fear are gone, sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re -



main. Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'n - ly friend
 last. Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know
 fears. Be still, my soul; your Je - sus can re - pay
 stored. Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
 his voice who ruled them while he lived be - low.
 from his own full - ness all he takes a - way.
 all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

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SERMON Matthew 14:22-33 "Why Do Christians Have Doubts?"

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

OFFERING

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:

heav'n and earth are full of your 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 who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you. As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.

Words of Institution

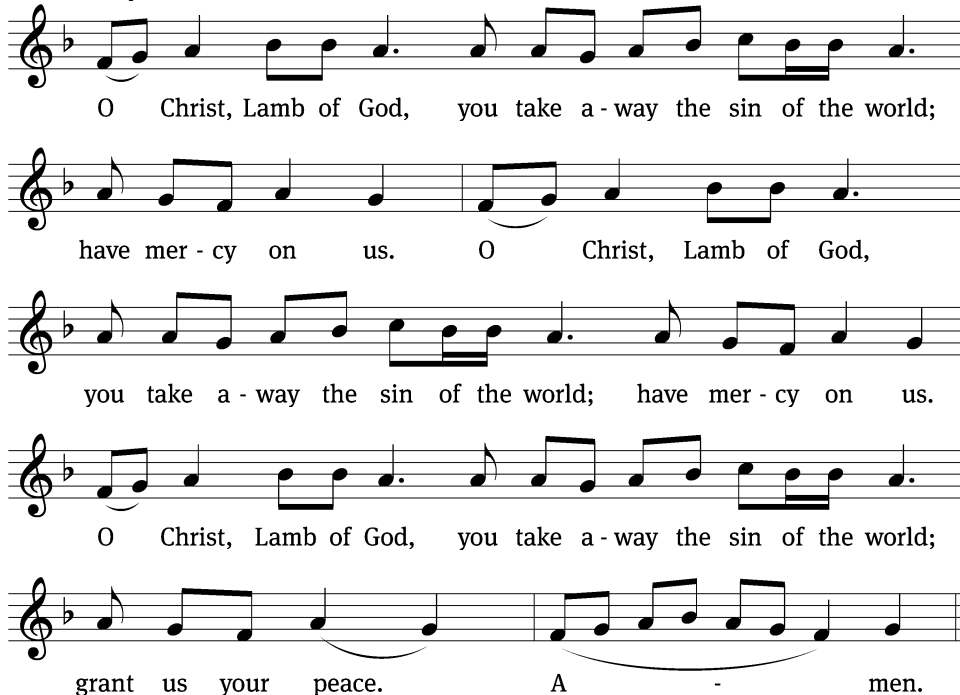
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

Visitors: The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that those joining us at the table of our Lord also be united with us in confession of faith by membership in a WELS or ELS congregation.

Distribution Hymn: 637 The Law of God Is Good and Wise



1 The law of God is good and wise and sets his
 2 Its light of ho - li - ness im - parts the knowl - edge
 3 To those who help in Christ have found and would in
 4 But those who scorn - ful - ly dis - dain God's law shall



will be - fore our eyes, shows us the way of right - eous -
 of our sin - ful hearts that we may see our lost es -
 works of love a - bound it shows what deeds are his de -
 then in sin re - main; its ter - ror in their ear re -



ness, and dooms to death when we trans - gress.
 tate and turn from sin be - fore too late.
 light and should be done as good and right.
 sounds and keeps their wick - ed - ness in bounds.

- 5 The law is good, but since the fall its holiness condemns us all; it dooms us for our sin to die and has no pow'r to justify.
- 6 To Jesus we for refuge flee, who from the curse has set us free, and humbly worship at his throne, saved by his grace through faith alone.

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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

Closing Hymn: 642 O Word of God Incarnate



- 1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
- 2 The Church from you, dear Mas - ter, re - ceived the gift di - vine,
- 3 O make your Church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky,
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.
to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old.



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,
O teach your wan - d'ring pil - grims by this their path to trace



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
mid mists and rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.
till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see you face to face.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, abr., alt.

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INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- For the sick and others facing trials, including: Gale "Blackie" Boyd, Bob Buehrens, Michael Cox (Marjorie Fabian's brother), Terry Coyle Jr. (Sue Brown's nephew), Vicki Davis (Marilyn Riemer's sister), Edith Duesterhoeft, Reinold Eckelberg, Ken Elmer (Sally's husband), Earl Ewert, Judy Fandrey, John Gaedke (Dan Finger's uncle), Donna Gatzke, Dennis Gray (Mary Dahlke's brother), Dennis Gromowski (Josh's father), Harvey Rudolph's neighbor), Kelleen Grucza (Judy Fandrey's daughter), Kim Hanko (Judy Fandrey's daughter), Del Henke, Drake Hunter, Jerry & Darlene Hunter (Bonnie Chapman's parents), Xzander Jahr, Kris Kemp (Diane Hintz' daughter), Bob Klapper, Dale Kozlowski, Jeff Krueger (Diane Hintz's son), Debbie & Steve Parrish, Melissa Prater, Karen Radke, Roxanne Schmanke, Bob Sluga (Sherry's husband), Annette St. Onge, Tom Stempniak, DuWayne Sommerfeld, Harvey Rudolph's neighbor), Dominick Thoman (the father of Janessa Roberts, Harvey Rudolph's neighbor), Betty, James, & Suzanne Weber, Paul Weldon (added this week: __)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week: August 6-12, 2023

OUR WORSHIP: "WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO" PART ONE: CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost:

DEFINE CHRISTIAN: THE CHRISTIAN TRUSTS GOD TO PROVIDE

Monday	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir at SJ
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	SJ Council Meeting
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	St. John's Worship

Next Sunday: August 13, 2023

OUR WORSHIP: "WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO" PART TWO: READING OF THE WORD

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

DEFINE CHRISTIAN: THE CHRISTIAN ANSWERS DOUBT WITH FAITH

8:00 a.m.	Emmanuel Worship
10:00 a.m.	St. John's Worship

Attendance

Date	EM	SJ
8/5/23	-	12
8/6/23	60	66

ACH Deposits*	Plate Offerings	Total Offerings	Budget Needs	July Expenses
\$6949.69	\$27749.69	\$34749.38	\$33939.58	\$35458.40

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House removal cost \$17,342.00

Donations to date \$17675.07 (from July dedicated funds report)

FUNDS FROM OFFERINGS TO THE DEDICATED FUND HAVE PAID THE PROJECT IN FULL.

THE DEMOLITION PROJECT IS COMPLETED.

Praise Almighty God for His Grace, Salvation, and Providential Care!!!

Many thanks to those who generously gave money to the project.

Many thanks to Jacob Jaster for all of his time and effort on this project.

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of your crops. Proverbs 3:9

SAVE THE DATE

Monday, August 21st 6:30PM: Adult Choir Practice at St. John's.

Sunday, August 27th 4:00PM: Beth Barenz installation and welcome fellowship meal at St. John's PRINCETON.

Monday, August 28th: First Day of School.

DONATIONS TO THE SCHOOL

Christ Alone Lutheran Academy (formerly St. John's School) and St. John's Little Lambs would like to warmly thank all those who have donated time, money, and gifts to the school and 3K/4K program. Going forward, for accounting purposes, all checks given to the school need to be made out to Christ Alone Lutheran Academy (CALA) or St. John's Little Lambs. The bank may not allow us to accept checks into our accounts if written to "St. John's School". Thank you for your generous gifts, and for your help in ensuring funds go where they are intended.

GREETERS

Anyone who would like to volunteer to be a greeter at St. John's, there is a sign-up sheet in the linkway. Families with children are encouraged. Also, ushers may have their families (including grandchildren!) serve as greeters on the days they usher. This is an excellent way to serve Our Lord by greeting people as they come to worship.

Griefshare

Griefshare will begin again at St. John's on Thursday, September 14th, at 6:00pm. It will be led by Mark Emond, and be in the lower level. Please text Mark at 608-697-1600.

Usher's schedule (St. John's):

Saturday 8/12/23 & Sunday 8/13/23:

James Wachholz, Zeb Zuehls, Thomas Wojtalewicz, Kenny Wojtalewicz, Chuck Boetcher, Jesse Schable

Saturday 8/19/23 & Sunday 8/20/23:

Paul Van Treek, Matt Borzick, Ken Borzick, James Henke, Haiden Van Treek, Nolan Van Treek, Brody Henke, Milo Henke

Saturday 8/26/23 & Sunday 8/27/23:

Jerre Duerr, Joe Zauner, Sr., Gordon Krause, Kevin Kaul, Corey Kaul

Saturday 9/2/23 & Sunday 9/3/23:

Ben Jaster, Jacob Jaster, Matt Neuhauser, Jeff Reimer, Mark Emond

Saturday 9/9/23 & Sunday 10/23: (No service on 9/9-worship at the city park on 9/10)

Glen Bubolz, Martin Schmanke, Matthew Kath, Michael Kempley

Do you like to sing? Would you enjoy praising our Savior with others from our congregations throughout a portion of our church year? If so, we would love to have you sing with our Joint Emmanuel/St. John's choir! Students in high school and all adults are welcome to join! We will sing for the opening service of Christ Alone Lutheran Academy this year which is also the installation service of Miss Beth Barenz, our new teacher in grades 3-5.

The choir meets on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:30 pm throughout the school year. Since the opening service of our school is Sunday, August 28, we will have 2 practices in August. We will meet on 8/14 and 8/21, both at 6:30 pm.

If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Sellnow.

Email lynnsellnow@stjohnsmontello.org or Phone 616-826-0816. We hope to sing praises with you! Thank you!

Installation and Welcome Supper for Beth Barenz

The installation service for our new CALA teacher Beth Barenz will be at Princeton on Sunday, August 27 at 4:00pm, with a Welcome supper to follow. If anyone would like to help with the welcome supper, there are sign up sheets on the table in the linkway.

MISS BETH BARENZ INSTALLATION BASKETS

Baskets will be set out at all 3 churches (Emmanuel, Montello and Princeton) for Miss Barenz's welcome. You may gift her whatever you'd like (cards, cash, gift cards, gas cards, etc.) All items in the baskets will then be presented to her on her installation day in August. Let's welcome our new CALA teacher!

THRIVENT ACTION

Christ Alone Lutheran Academy and Little Lambs is always looking for Thrivent action teams to use for various school related things (supplies, events, etc). If you think you can help out, please reach out to the school office 920-481-9002. Have questions on how to apply for an action team? Contact your Thrivent a

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS SUMMER

2023

**AUG
10, 13**

**PARENT INFO MTG
MONTELLO @ 6PM**

**PRINCETON FLEA MARKET
CONCESSIONS
6AM - 1PM**

**AUG
19**

**AUG
24**

**FILL YOUR DESK
NIGHT** MONTELLO &
PRINCETON 4:30 - 6PM

**MS. BARENZ INSTALLATION
& OPENING SERVICE
PRINCETON @ 4 PM**

**AUG
27**

**AUG
28**

**1ST DAY OF SCHOOL
8 AM**



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Scan the code below using your smartphone camera and fill out the prompted information. Don't have a smartphone? That's ok! Fill out an attendance card located at the end of each pew and place it in the offering plate located at the entry of each church.



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Principal & 6-8 Grade Teacher: Larry Sellnow: 616-822-6689

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3-5 Grade Teacher: Beth Barenz

1-2 Grade Teacher: Shelley Myers: 920-285-7554

Kindergarten Teacher: Lynn Sellnow: 616-826-0816

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