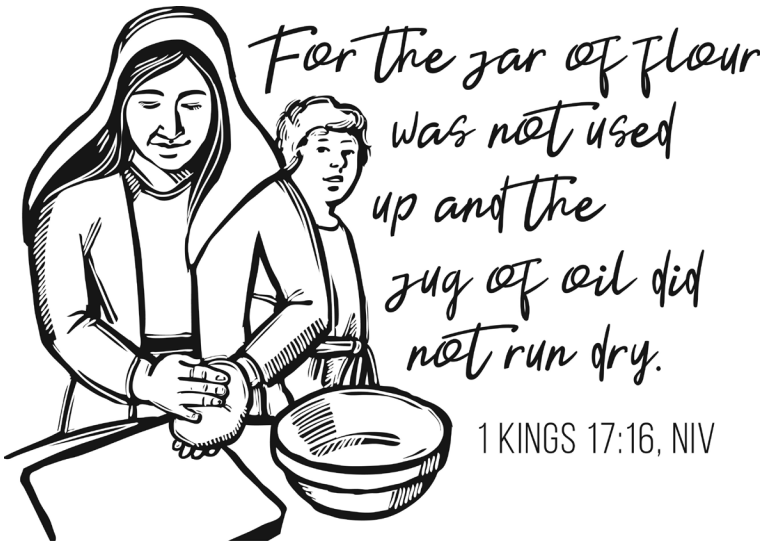


Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
LIVE LIKE YOU'LL LIVE FOREVER:
LIVE A LIFE OF STARTLING GENEROSITY



Honoring
ALL WHO
served
THANK YOU
VETERANS

Pastor Zietlow's Sermon:
1 Kings 17:8-16 "Check Your Jar and Jug!"

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.

ST. JOHN'S & EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCHES-WELS

November 10, 2024

Emmanuel: Sun. 8:00am

St. John's: Sun. 10:00am

LIVE LIKE YOU'LL LIVE FOREVER

"Live each day like it's your last." You have probably heard that advice. It sounds wise—an encouragement to take advantage of the time you have. However, that advice is completely backwards. Because the reality is, thanks to Jesus, we have an unending amount of time. Let that sink in. Really think about it. Jesus has given you the gift of eternal life. You are going to live forever. If you really thought it was your last day, that belief would shape how you lived that day. In this series, let us consider how the gift of eternal life shapes how we live each day. Live like you'll live forever!

LIVE A LIFE OF STARTLING GENEROSITY

Perhaps you have heard the axiom, "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die." In other words, while you still can, use what you have in order to enjoy life to the fullest. If this life is all there is, St. Paul agrees that would be a good philosophy. Paul wrote, "If the dead are not raised, 'Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die'" (1 Corinthians 15:32). However, note the "if." Paul was saying that the epicurean approach to life makes sense only if this life is all we have. But it isn't. Jesus will raise us from the dead and take us to live in his home, a place of perfect comfort and beauty. Knowing that, we are set free from the need to live a self-indulgent life now. Instead, we can be generous people, using the wealth that God has given us to serve both him and others. We can live a life of startling generosity.

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Setting Three, with communion, pp. 188-203; at St. John's, Holy Baptism, pp. 151-153

HYMNS: 818 (Emmanuel) 648 (St. John's) 807, 657, 752 v.1&4

PSALM: 111 "LORD, I Must Praise You"

SERMON: 1 Kings 17:8-16 "Check Your Jar and Jug"

AT ST. JOHN'S Sunday School choir sings: "Grace Is Bigger" and "Amazing Grace" (before Opening Hymn) Children sing the first verse of "Amazing Grace", and ask the Congregation to join them in singing the following verses:

**Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun;
We've no less days to sing God's praise,
Than when we'd first begun.**

OPENING HYMN/LITURGY FOR EMMANUEL

OPENING HYMN: 818 "My Soul Finds Rest In God Alone" (Emmanuel)



1 My soul finds rest in God a-lone, my rock and my sal - va - tion;
2 Find rest, my soul, in God a-lone a - mid the world's temp-ta - tions;
3 I'll set my gaze on God a-lone and trust in him com-plete - ly;



a for-ress strong a - gainst my foes, and I will not be
when e - vil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my sal -
with ev - 'ry day pour out my soul, and he will prove his



shak - en. Though lips may bless and hearts may curse, and
va - tion. Though rich - es come and rich - es go, don't
mer - cy. Though life is but a fleet - ing breath, a



lies like ar - rows pierce me, I'll fix my heart on
set your heart up - on them; the fields of hope in
sigh too brief to mea - sure, my king has crushed the



right - eous - ness, I'll look to him who hears me.
which I sow are har - vest - ed in heav - en.
curse of death and I am his for - ev - er.

Refrain



O praise him, hal-le - lu - jah, my de-light and my re - ward;



ev - er - last - ing, nev - er fail - ing, my Re - deem - er, my God.

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

Amen.

CONFESSION

CW 189

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

CW 190

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



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.



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



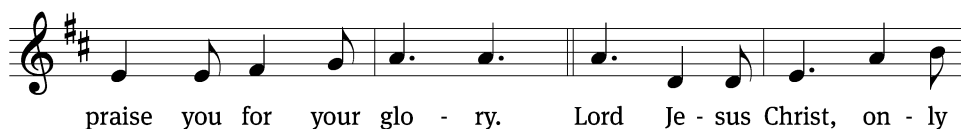
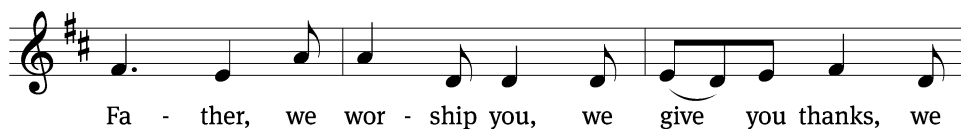
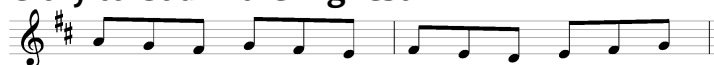
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



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Glory to God in the Highest

CW 191



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on

us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus

Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to



God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,



and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

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Emmanuel Liturgy continues on bulletin page 10

OPENING HYMN/LITURGY FOR St. JOHN'S

OPENING HYMN: 648 v. 1-3 "Dearest Jesus, We Are Here"



- 1 Dear - est Je - sus, we are here, glad - ly your com -
- 2 Lord, your Word is clear and plain, and we would o -
- 3 There - fore we have come to you, in our arms this



mand o - bey - ing; with this child we now draw near
bey it du - ly: "He who is not born a - gain,
in - fant bear - ing. Shine your heav'n - ly light a - new—



in re - sponse to your own say - ing that to you it
heart and life re - new - ing tru - ly, born of wa - ter
let this child, your mer - cy shar - ing, in your arms be



shall be giv - en as a child and heir of heav - en.
and the Spir - it, can my king - dom not in - her - it."
shield - ed ev - er, yours on earth and yours for - ev - er.

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HOLY BAPTISM

648 Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

CW 648 sts. 4-5



4 Gra - cious Head, your mem - ber own; Shep - herd, take your
5 Now in - to your heart we pour prayers that from our



lamb and feed it; Prince of Peace, make here your throne;
hearts pro - ceed - ed. Our pe - ti - tions heav'n - ward soar;



Way of Life, to heav - en lead it. Pre - cious Vine, let
may our warm de - sires be heed - ed! Write the name we



noth - ing sev - er from your side this branch for - ev - er.
now have giv - en; write it in the book of heav - en!

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EMMANUEL AND St. JOHN'S LITURGY CONTINUES HERE

THE WORD

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, you have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in you. Grant us so firmly to believe in your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:8-16 (Sermon Text)

(A widow generously offers up the last bit of food she has to serve the prophet Elijah.)

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to him: ⁹"Go at once to Zarephath in the region of Sidon and stay there. I have directed a widow there to supply you with food." ¹⁰So he went to Zarephath. When he came to the town gate, a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her and asked, "Would you bring me a little water in a jar so I may have a

drink?" ¹¹As she was going to get it, he called, "And bring me, please, a piece of bread."

¹²"As surely as the LORD your God lives," she replied, "I don't have any bread—only a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it—and die." ¹³Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the LORD sends rain on the land.' " ¹⁵She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. ¹⁶For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the LORD spoken by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 111 "LORD, I Must Praise You"



1 LORD, I must praise you when I stand in won - der at your
2 Noth - ing but good you give to those who fear you; ev - er
3 You sent your peo - ple long - de - sired sal - va - tion, mak - ing



might - y works and splen - dor. There is no oth - er God, no
near those who re - vere you. To you the hun - gry come for
us a bless - ed na - tion. You are the rock: on you our



one a - bove you, yet so close to those who love you.
dai - ly feed - ing, and the poor for jus - tice plead - ing.
hopes are found - ed; safe we dwell, by love sur - round - ed.



O Lord, have mer - cy! All your works de - clare your maj - es - ty
O Lord, have mer - cy! All your deeds are hon - est and sin - cere;
O Lord, have mer - cy! Make us wise to fol - low in your ways,



in an end-less grand dox - ol - o - gy; e - ven more would I praise
all your vows as true as they ap-pear. Per-fect love, rar - est kind,
and re - ceive our sac - ri - fice of praise. We are yours, yours to use



your com - pas - sion, love, and grace. O Lord, have mer - cy!
all I need in you I find. O Lord, have mer - cy!
for your dream as you may choose. O Lord, have mer - cy!

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SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9

(The believers in Macedonia demonstrate startling generosity in collecting an offering to help fellow Christians in need.)

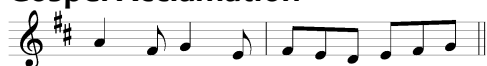
¹And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. ²In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. ³For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. ⁵And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. ⁶So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. ⁷But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving. ⁸I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

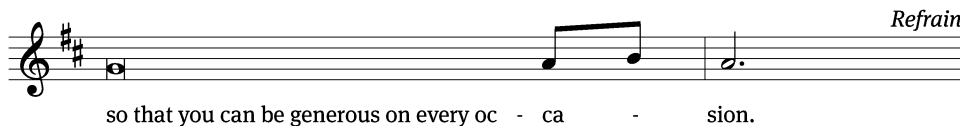
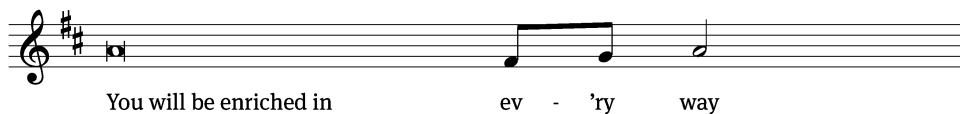
2 Corinthians 9:11



Refrain



Tone



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GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44

(Jesus points to a poor widow as an example of startling generosity.)

³⁸As he taught, Jesus said, "Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. ⁴⁰They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely." ⁴¹Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. ⁴²But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. ⁴³Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. ⁴⁴They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on." The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY: 807 "All Depends on Our Possessing"



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant
2 He who to this day has fed me and to man - y
3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting o - ver tri - fles
4 When with sor - row I am strick - en, hope a - new my



grace and bless - ing, though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
joys has led me is and ev - er shall be mine.
and in get - ting things that have no sol - id ground.
heart will quick - en; all my long - ing shall be stilled.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en in their God are
He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, he who dai - ly
I shall strive to win a trea - sure that will bring me
To his lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der soul and bod - y



not for - sak - en and will keep a daunt - less heart.
guides and rules me, will re - main my help di - vine.
last - ing plea - sure and that now is sel - dom found.
I sur - ren - der, for on God a - lone I build.

5 Well he knows what best to grant me;
all the longing hopes that haunt me,
joy and sorrow, have their day.
I shall doubt his wisdom never;
as God wills, so be it ever;
I commit to him my way.

6 If my days on earth he lengthen,
he my weary soul will strengthen;
all my trust in him I place.
Earthly wealth is not abiding,
like a stream away is gliding;
safe I anchor in his grace.

SERMON: 1 Kings 17:8-16 "Check Your Jar and Jug! ...because the LORD has: 1. Challenged you to give 2. Promised to provide"

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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.

OFFERING, FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS, ALTAR PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Hymnal page 198

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. [Especially bless . . . *here name the person and the cause of the petition.*] Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence. *Silent prayer*

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

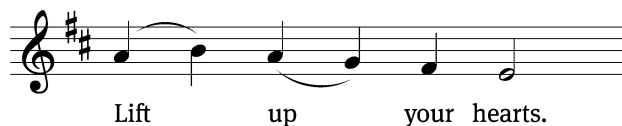
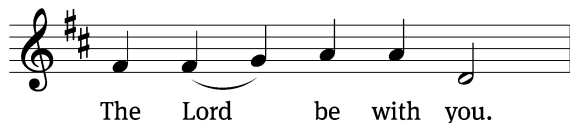
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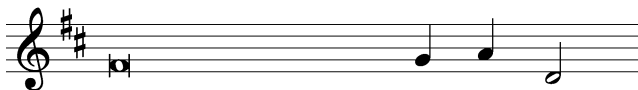
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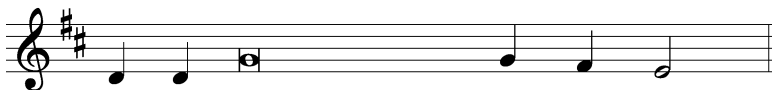
PREFACE

CW 199





Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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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

CW 200



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts,



heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



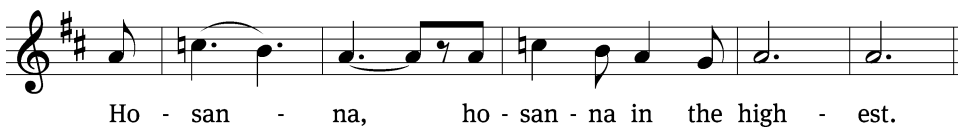
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin. We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to 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.

Lamb of God

CW 202



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.

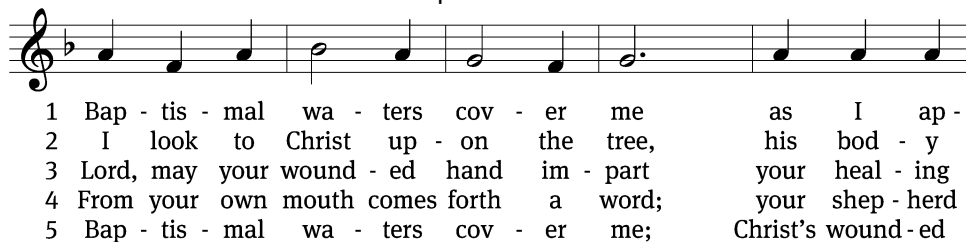
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us, grant us peace.

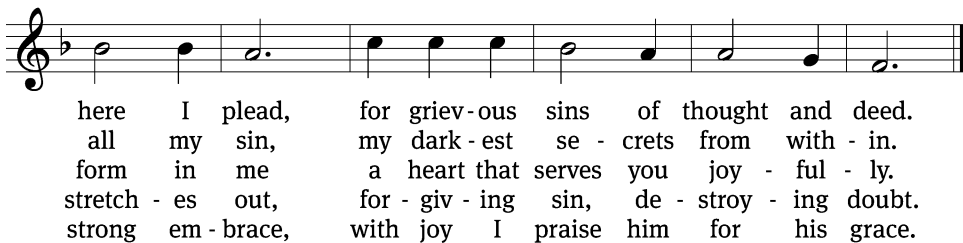
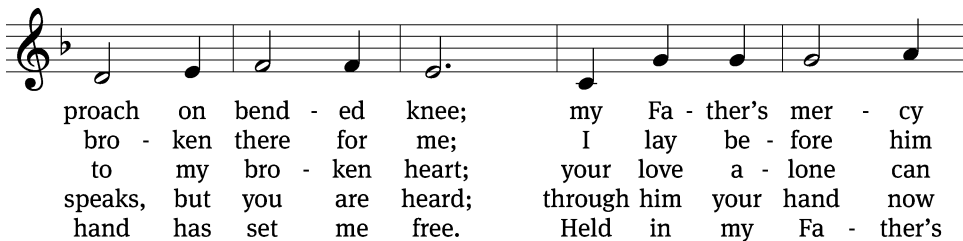
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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 657 "Baptismal Waters Cover Me"



1 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me as I ap -
2 I look to Christ up - on the tree, his bod - y
3 Lord, may your wound - ed hand im - part your heal - ing
4 From your own mouth comes forth a word; your shep - herd
5 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me; Christ's wound - ed



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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.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through 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 T give you peace.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: 752 v1,4 "Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings"

1 Gra - cious God, you send great bless - ings new each
 4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing bear the

morn - ing all our days. For your mer - cies
 im - print of your grace; with the Son and

nev - er end - ing, for your love we of - fer praise.
 Ho - ly Spir - it, praise be yours in ev - 'ry place!

Refrain

Lord, we pray that we, your peo - ple who your

gifts un - num - bered claim, through the shar - ing

of your bless - ings may bring glo - ry to your name.

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THEME FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost LIVE LIKE YOU'LL LIVE FOREVER: LIVE FREE FROM FEAR OF JUDGEMENT

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Dear St. Johns Montello congregation,

I thank you all for the support. I thank every one of you who has given by using your time in sending me cards, sending me money and even through the basket in the back of the church that has been collecting money for tuition. I thank every single one of you for your support of my schooling at Luther Preparatory school.

Gratefully,
Haiden Van Treeck

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- For the sick and others facing trials, including Allie Andres (Bonnie Chapman's relative), Janice Arvidson, Gale "Blackie" Boyd, Sandy Buchholz, Bob Buehrens, Gene Crook, Agnes Dassow, Edith Duesterhoeft, Don Ebert, Kaye Edwards (Mark Emond's friend), Ken Elmer (Sally's husband), Earl Ewert, Judy Fandrey, John Gaedke (Dan Finger's uncle), Donna Gatzke, Dennis Gray (Mary Dahlke's brother), Kelleen Grucza, Kim Hanko (Judy Fandrey's daughter), Del & Jean Henke, LuAnn Hoffman-Reber (Barb Hoffman's step-daughter), Jerry & Darlene Hunter (Bonnie Chapman's parents), Xzander Jahr, Kris Kemp (Diane Hintz' daughter), Dale Kozlowski, Emily Krueger, Jeff Krueger (Diane Hintz's son), Jacob Kwit (Suzie Weber's son), Mary Luck, Darren Marceau, Julie Moran, Debbie & Steve Parrish, Milo & Barbara Petrick, Sharon Priewe, Melissa Prater, Sharon Priewe, Karen Radke, Shelley Rene (Mary Isberner's niece), Roxanne Schmanke, Ashley Schroeder, Eloise Schultz, Lynn Sellnow, Bob Sluga (Sherry's husband), Heather Smith (Diane Hintz' step-daughter), DuWayne Sommerfeld, Amanda Stalker, Tom Stempniak (Carol's husband), Billy & Gloria Tucker, James & Suzanne Weber, Paul & LuAnn Weldon (added this week: __)
- For Election Day results (11/5)
- For Paul and LuAnn Weldon who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary yesterday
- For Palmer Evelyn Rangel, the infant daughter of Rilee Menke & Eric Rangel, who will be baptized in today's service at SJ
- For Veteran's Day tomorrow
- For Eloise Schultz

St. John's is looking for a few good men to help as Ushers! If you'd like to join the usher crew, please talk to Jerre Duerr, James Wachholz, or Matthew Kath. Thanks!!

St. John's	Usher's Schedule
Sunday, November 10	Sunday, November 13
James Wachholz Zeb Zuehls Chuck Boetcher Jesse Schable	Paul Van Treeck Matt Borzick Ken Borzick James Henke Haiden Van Treeck Nolan Van Treeck Brody Henke Milo Henke



The family of St. John's would like to thank our brothers and sisters at Emmanuel for their willingness to help us with our commitment to CALA.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week: November 10-16, 2024

Monday		Veterans' Day
	9:00 a.m.	Pastors' Study Club SJ
	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir SJ
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study SJ
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	CALA Meeting SJ
Wednesday	9:45 a.m.	The Residences Devotion
	10:00 a.m.	Montello Care Center Devotion
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study SJ
	5:00 p.m.	Public School Catechism SJ
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	GriefShare SJ
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast & Study Club SJ

Next Sunday: November 17, 2024

8:00 a.m.	Emmanuel Worship
8:30 a.m.	Sunday School St. John's
8:45 a.m.	Adult Bible Study St. John's
9:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study Emmanuel
10:00 a.m.	St. John's Worship
11:30 a.m.	LL Teacher/Director Call Meeting St. John's

	Budget	Offerings	All Income	Expenses
October	\$40,014.98	\$21,038.43	\$35,764.68	\$55,831.44
Year to Date	\$160,059.92	\$99,372.60	\$134,088.89	\$144,218.80

*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **2 Corinthians 9:7***

Attendance

Date	EM	SJ
11/3/24	59	184

LL, CALA and Sunday School Singing Schedule

Date	
11/10/24	Sunday School at MONTELLO
11/17/24	LL & CALA K-8 & Chimes in PRINCETON
12/1/24	Sunday School in MONTELLO

COMMUNION PRACTICE: Today our congregations will be receiving the Lord's Supper. Those who are members of Emmanuel, St. John's, another WELS church, or a church in full doctrinal agreement with the WELS, are invited to attend. Others are politely asked to refrain until communion fellowship is established. There are two Scriptural reasons we distribute the Lord's Supper this way. 1.) Receiving the Lord's Supper improperly results in harm, not blessing, to the recipient. (1 Cor. 11:27) Like a prescription it must be administered with care. 2.) Recipients of the Supper publicly proclaim their unity in the faith. (1Cor. 10:17) Members of other denominations have, by joining those church bodies, publicly declared their allegiance to the teaching of those churches. By also communing here at this altar it would send a confusing message regarding not only what they believe, but also what the Bible teaches and what this church and its members believe and confess. We'd love to speak to you about this more fully so that all are prepared and speak with one voice as we proclaim Christ to the world. For more information, and especially if you are interested in becoming a communicant member of this congregation, please speak to Pastor Zietlow.

Advent begins the Sunday after Thanksgiving. It's the season that anticipates the coming of the Savior. We prepare for this coming in many ways. But one way is by decorating and beautifying our homes and churches. We use a circle of artificial greens around our Advent candles in the front of the church, with each candle lit in order on Sundays in Advent, and each candle symbolizing an important event on the way to the Savior's birth—the last candle is the Christ Candle.

But another way is to hang Christmas wreaths on the church doors as a sign of welcome.

Once again—anyone interested in donating toward the purchase of wreaths for the front doors at St. John's is encouraged to contact LuAnn Zieman at 608-818-2029 or email



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GIVING TREE OF MARQUETTE COUNTY is now in the church entry ready for you to choose a tag and purchase a Christmas gift. You will find 2 types of tags on the tree this year. Colored tags are for a child. *New this year*, black & white tags are for purchasing essential items for a family. When you take a tag, be sure to sign the Gift Tag Tracking Sheet with your name and phone number, and sign again when you return your gift. Return your gift by Sunday, December 8, making certain the gift tag is securely attached to the gift.

St. John's will be holding a Call Meeting for the Little Lambs Teacher/Director on Sunday, November 17 after Worship.



Making a Difference

President Ronald Reagan once said, "Some people spend an entire lifetime wondering if they made a difference. The U.S. Marines don't have that problem." If you have ever met a U.S. Marine, it is likely you would remember. Even after they exit their service, they are Marines, proudly displaying Eagle, Globe, and Anchor (EGA) pins on their hats and flags in their yards. No branch does more with less than the U.S. Marine Corps.

Reagan's statement holds true for all the branches, not just the Marines. Inter-service rivalry aside, every branch is needed, and every Service Member is needed to protect our great Nation. As Apostle Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians chapter 12, "Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it." (vv. 12, 26) Each Service Member makes a difference in the lives of citizens standing beside parade routes and to children listening attentively to the adventures of Veterans during Veterans Day school events this year. We enjoy freedom and safety because of our Nation's Warriors.

Christian Warriors and their Spouses don't have to wonder if they are making a difference in their family's lives. They prioritize time with spouses and children, engage in home taught catechism classes, and generally do more with less.

This isn't the case for all of our Veterans and their Families. Some experience physical, mental, and spiritual challenges due to their military service. Whether our Christian Warriors and their Families are suffering or rejoicing, Lutheran Military Support Group is here to Stand Shoulder to Shoulder in Service with them, as part of the body of Christ.

This Veterans Day, let us take time to say to the Vietnam Veteran, "Welcome Home." Let us thank those who answered the call and wear their Nation's uniform, regardless of rank, service era, or job fulfilled. Let's thank them and their Families for the difference they make in our lives.

Brad Price
President & CEO
Lutheran Military Support Group



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THIS CAMPAIGN SUPPORTS:



SPIRITUAL RETREATS

We provide an annual 4-day retreat for Warriors where they can find Christ-centered support and encouragement.



CHRISTIAN HANDBOOKS

When service members are called to duty, this pocket-sized worship resource helps them take God's Word with them.



WORKSHOPS

LMSG hosts one-day, regional workshops for Veterans and First Responders who have been impacted by trauma.



ASSISTANCE GRANTS

Grants are provided to Christian Warriors who are in need of assistance due to an unexpected financial hardship.



EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

We provide financial support to Warriors, as well as military contact pastors, enrolled in certain colleges or courses.



APPRECIATION GRANTS

Grants are given to congregations or schools to help assist them financially in recognizing Warriors in their community.

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