

ST JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY!

It is a joy to worship our Savior, Jesus, with you! In the pews there are blue cards for guests and members. Please fill one out and the ushers will collect them after the offering. And if you are looking for a church home, you've just found it!



To Our Visitors



What is Communion/the Lord's Supper?

As members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, members of St. John's Lutheran Church hold to the biblical and historic understanding of holy communion; that in this sacrament the bread and wine, having been consecrated, are Christ's real, risen, and glorified body and blood, just as Jesus really said, 'Take, eat, this is my body', and 'take, drink... this is my blood' (Matthew 26:26 ff). Holy Communion is received for the forgiveness of sins, for unity with Christ, and for the unity within the 'body of Christ' – that is His Church. This is why it is reserved for those who hold a common confession of faith. Those who share with us in this Holy Supper must be members of a congregation of the LCMS, or of a congregation in full fellowship with the LCMS, thus bearing public witness that they agree with our teaching in general and with the following two teachings in particular:

1. When consecrated, again, the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper are the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, given to us for the remission of sins.
2. Those baptized and confirmed Christians who come to Holy Communion in repentance and faith, grateful for God's forgiveness, are also committed to offering their personal forgiveness to all others.

Guests communing with us for the first time should see the pastor or an elder before the service when possible, to confirm that we are in fellowship. If you are interested in becoming a communicant member or if you have any questions regarding our beliefs and practice, please see the pastor.



First Sunday in Lent

Processional Hymn: 779 Come, My Soul, with Every Care

Confession and Absolution – *LSB p.184*

Stand

Service of the Word



Introit - Psalm 91:1–2, 9–10, 13; antiphon: vv. 15a & 16

- P** When he calls to me, I will answer him;
C **And show him my salvation.**
P He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
C **Will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.**
P Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place —
C **The Most High, who is my refuge—**
P No evil shall be allowed to befall you,
C **No plague come near your tent.**
P You will tread on the lion and the adder;
C **The young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.**
C **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 When he calls to me, I will answer him;
C **And show him my salvation.**

Kyrie - *LSB p.186*



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you. **C** **And with thy spirit.**
P Let us pray.
O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

Sit

First Reading – Genesis 3:1–21

¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’” ²And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’” ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. ⁵For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

⁸And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” ¹⁰And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” ¹¹He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” ¹²The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”

¹⁶To the woman he said, “I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.”

¹⁷And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;

¹⁸thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. ¹⁹By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

²⁰The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. ²¹And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

L This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

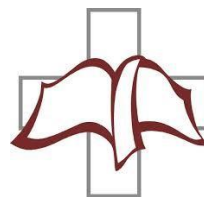
Gradual – Psalm 91:11–12

L He will command his angels concerning you

C To guard you in all your ways.

L On their hands they will bear you up,

C Lest you strike your foot against a stone.



Epistle Reading – Hebrews 4:14–16

¹⁴Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

Lenten Tract - Psalm 91:1, 4a, 15a, 16



- L** He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
- C** Will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
- L** He will cover you with his pinions,
- C** And under his wings you will find refuge.
- L** When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble.
- C** With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

Holy Gospel – Matthew 4:1–11

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.
- C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴But he answered, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple ⁶and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’ and

‘On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.’”

⁷Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” ¹⁰Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written, ‘You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.’”

¹¹Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed - *LSB p.191*

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 418 O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

Sermon: “And Lead Us Not Into Temptation”

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Offertory - *LSB p.192*

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Offering

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Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface - *LSB p.194*

Sanctus

Lord’s Prayer

The Words of Our Lord & Pax Domini

Agnus Dei

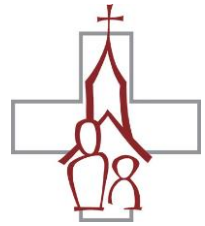
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**(Hymns 633 At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing,
637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord)**

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Nunc Dimittis - *LSB p.199*



Thanksgiving & Post-Communion Collect

Salutation, Benedicamus & Benediction

Recessional Hymn: 770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Council Meeting after the service

Prayers for Members

We encourage you this week to pray for:

Frank Gilham, Robert Gould, Pauline Onder, Edward Trovitch,
Tom, Sylvia, Stacy, and Sherry Wargo, Patti Zschunke,
Irene Beishline, Bob & Pat Onder, Ann Gangwer, Bob Mandak,
Lorraine and Jack Ross, and Bob Drummond

May the Lord continue to unite and bless us in the faith.

Prayer Chain Request?

Contact: Lucille Adamoyurka - (570) 956-1678

Our Stewardship at a Glance

Sunday Morning Worship: 52 Faithful Servants

Ash Wednesday: 1pm (11), 7pm (14)

Caring and Sharing: 4 Faithful Servants

Altar Workers: Naumann Girls

Communion Assistant: Chuck Zschunke

Counters: Lucille Adamoyurka and Lorraine Ray

Flowers:



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This Week at St. John's

Wednesday - Catechism Class at 6pm

Saturday - Community Luncheon at 11am
- Divine Service at 1pm

Sunday - Divine Service at 9am

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Mission/Vision Statement

“We are faith-Growing Followers of Christ,
Reaching out in Response to God's Love”

St. John's Lutheran Church has a 'Take it or Leave it' food trolley. Donations received may be a welcome relief to the visitor who is looking for a little help here and there. Thank you!!

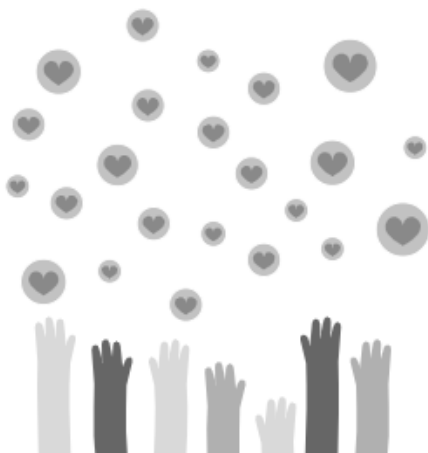
+ + + KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE + + +

What is the “Offertory”?

The word “offertory” comes from the Latin word “offerre,” which means “to give, or to present.” The Offertory is sung by the congregation during the Divine Service as the gifts and offerings are presented to the Lord.

Why do we use the Offertory?

Take a look at the words from the following Offertory: “What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me? ... I will take the cup of salvation and will call upon the name of the Lord.” These words from Psalm 116 tell us that the greatest way to praise and thank God for all of His goodness is not the offerings and gifts that we give, but that in faith we continue to receive what He gives us in His Word and Sacraments. Receiving God’s gifts isn’t just a part of worshiping God, it is the greatest worship of God! Wow! What a wonderful and giving God we have!



Parents: Encourage your children to listen to the words of the Offertory as it is sung. Notice that such words are sung right before the Lord’s Supper is prepared and distributed. Here we are receiving the “cup of salvation” full of the Father’s grace through the precious blood of His Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

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Lucille Adamoyurka- In memory of Husband, Steve- \$180.00

John and Barbara Chladon- In memory of Loved Ones- \$360.00

Ann Gangwer- In memory of Husband, Barry- \$180.00

Pastor Gordon and Marta Naumann and family- Thanks be to God-\$360.00

Pauline Onder- In memory of Husband, John-\$180.00

Gina Rang- In memory of Mother, MaryAnne Gilham- \$180.00

Bill and Lorraine Ray- To the Glory of God- \$180.00

Dave and Nancy Trovitch- In memory of Parents, Andrew & Kathryn Onder, Mother, Barbara Trovitch and Alma Launikonis- \$360.00

Jeff Williams- In honor of Mother, Jane Ann Williams- \$180.00

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Chuck and Patti Zschunke- In memory of Wayne & Marion Gerber and in honor of our upcoming 25th Wedding Anniversary- \$360.00

Paul and Karen Ann Kowalczyk- In memory of Loved Ones- \$1000 for organ light

Thanks to Bob Junas for donating the major cost of the new organ in memory of Family and Friends.

The total cost of the organ is \$43,990 including light and speakers.

If you wish to donate toward the organ, please put your donation in an envelope and mark it "Organ Fund".