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St. John's Lutheran Church Parkville



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# Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024



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Welcome to St. John's—we are glad you're here! Whether you have worshiped with us many times, or this is your first time, there is a place for you here. Your presence among us is a gift.

## Introduction to the Day

Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

*(Please take a moment to silence all electronics. Thank you!)*

*(Hymns are taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship, the red book in the pew rack.)*

## WELCOME

### PRELUDE

*Praise for the Morning*

*Lani Smith*

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*(Please stand as you are able.)*

## GATHERING

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

**Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.

*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

God, our provider,  
**help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.**

**We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

**Turn us again to you.**

**Where else can we turn?**

**Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

## This week's schedule

Today	9 am	Faith + Fellowship
	10 am	Live & Online Worship
Mon.	9 am-noon	Primary Music Campette
Tues.	9 am-noon	Primary Music Campette
Wed.	9 am-noon	Primary Music Campette
	9:30 am	Busy Bees (Smith Building)
	6 pm	Primary Music Campette Family Picnic
	7 pm	Primary Music Campette Performance
Thurs.		
Fri.		
Sat.		

## Counting our Blessings

		2024	
Sun.	Attendance: 95	April Offering Income	\$36,194
7/21	Offering: \$4,589	April Other Income	\$ 4,544
	Homebound: 16	April Total Income	\$40,738
		April Expenses	\$30,088
		YTD Offering Income	\$119,895
		YTD Other Income	\$ 23,162
		YTD Total Income	\$143,057
		YTD Expenses	\$135,216

members of our community over lunch, to ask any questions—be it faith at large, Lutheranism, or St. John’s specifically-- and to pray for God’s guidance as we all seek to live out our faith together. **If you plan to attend the lunch, please RSVP to the church office by Friday, August 9th. We will officially welcome new members on Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup> during the 10 am service.**

**Food for Thought Program....**We are gearing up for the 2024/2025 school year and are looking to make some changes in the program. In order to keep things running smoothly, we are in need of volunteers. If you can assist, please contact the church office. Thank you for your consideration in assisting with this important ministry at St. John’s!



### Prayer List

Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.

**For health & healing:** Jeannette Dutcher, Tony Jasinski, Tom Walter, Diane Carroll, Eleanor McLaughlin, Mary Gude, Richard Soude rs, Oluseye Fowode, Robert Suznick, Lisa Duerling, Joan Swank, Rosalie Coffman, Pat Hurley, Debbie Miller, Sandy Scott, and Vickie Jasinski

**For family & friends:** Janek Bracken, Anne McHugh, Raelynn Koontz, Sharon Harrell, Michael Elligson, Jim Singer, Debra, Fred Smith, Kathy Thompson, Pat Lambert, Ernie Schuman, Ralph Clark, Paola Lott, Bob Murphy, Jonathan McLaughlin, Tim Hartman, Bill Beck, Chris Newman, Pierce Newman, Coralee Myrtle, Eleni Bowden, Butch Kahl, Pearl Johnson, Donna Joseph, Harriet Miller, Maeve Webster, John Bryan, Joe Federline, Tiffany Webb, Mary & Barry McCain, Bonnie Franklin, Jamie Kirschner, Alice Evans, Trish Pizza, Betsy Shock, Julie Bramble, and Donna Bobloch

**For the military and their families:** Kalib McCann, Mason Ledbetter, Leroy Keller, Seaman E-3 Carson Anthony Bowser, Corporal Justin Ferro, Staff Sgt. Brandan Hartmann, Michael Anthony Tucker, and all those in harm’s way

**For those grieving family & friends of:** Mary Jo Rother

**For St. John’s Caring Friends:** Patricia Becker, Agatha Biensach-Daniels, Barbara Conrad, Margaret Eubert, June Franz, Betty Glassband, Richard Hoerner, Patricia Hurley, Audrey Lentz, John Lotterer, Paul Nolder, Patrick O’Connell, Janet Roth, Doris Rye, Kim Townsley, and Emma Volz

Beloved people of God:  
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
you are fed and nourished.  
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
there is always more than enough.  
Through Jesus, + the bread of life,  
you are shown God’s mercy:  
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**      *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*      **ELW 461**  
(Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955-1993; Music: W. Moore, Columbian Harmony, 1825; arr. hymnal version; Text © 1991 GIA Publications, Inc.; Arr. © 2003 Augsburg Fortress)

### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

### KYRIE

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:42-44

*Today’s reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.*

<sup>42</sup> A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, “Give it to the people and let them eat.” <sup>43</sup> But his servant said, “How can I set this before a hundred people?” So he repeated, “Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, ‘They shall eat and have some left.’” <sup>44</sup> He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM *(Read responsively; congregation reads bold verses)*

Psalm 145:10-18

<sup>10</sup> All your works shall praise you, O LORD,  
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup> **They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your power,**

<sup>12</sup> that all people may know of your power  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup> **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all  
ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

<sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all those who fall  
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

<sup>15</sup> **The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,  
and you give them their food in due season.**

<sup>16</sup> You open wide your hand  
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

<sup>17</sup> **You are righteous in all your ways  
and loving in all your works.**

<sup>18</sup> You are near to all who call upon you,  
to all who call upon you faithfully.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Next Week— Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>—Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

† 9 am—Faith + Fellowship

† 10 am—Worship in-person

and livestreamed on our YouTube Channel

† 11:30 am— Youth Group

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**The beautiful flowers** gracing our worship service today are given in memory of our mother Annie “Doll” Smith by Marge Jasper and Mildred Schaffer.

**We are taking altar flower dedications for 2024.** The cost is \$50. Contact Rachel Hills at [rm\\_hills@yahoo.com](mailto:rm_hills@yahoo.com) if you would like to sponsor the flowers. Available dates are August 18<sup>th</sup>, September 8<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, October 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Nursery Care** for infants through age 2 is available during the Sunday School hour while parents are attending Faith and Fellowship. During worship, care is available for infants through kindergarten.



**St. John’s Youth Group meets in the Youth Room on the first Sunday of the month, from about 11:15 am—12:30 pm.** This group is for middle and high school students. Join us as we have fun, get to know one another and grow in faith. See you there!

**Faith and Fellowship meets in the Fellowship Hall on the first floor from 9 am—9:45 am each Sunday.** This is an opportunity for adults to gather for light refreshments and to grow in faith.



**Music Camp....**We are accepting registration for Music Camp. Registration forms are located on the third floor bulletin board, in the weekly email and in the newsletter. We are looking for experienced volunteers. Contact Martha at [mrequard1@gmail.com](mailto:mrequard1@gmail.com) if you can help.

**The Generosity Jar is back!** During the month of July, the Stewardship Committee will be collecting donations in our Generosity Jar to benefit Vacation Bible School Ministry at St. John's. Every little bit goes a long way in continuing to provide this wonderful faith formation program to our community free of charge. Thank you for your support!



**New Members' Lunch. Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup> 12 noon-2 pm in the Fellowship Hall.** This event is for all prospective new members who are interested in joining or re-joining St. John's. We will gather to get to know one another and some

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SENDING**

**BLESSING**

Life is short,  
and we do not have much time  
to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us.  
So be swift to love,  
and make haste to be kind.  
And the blessing of God,  
Father, Son + Holy Spirit  
be with you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

*Praise and Thanksgiving*

*ELW 689*

*(Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984, alt.; Music: Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version; Text © Oxford University Press; Arr. © 2006 Augsburg Fortress)*

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Praise with the Trumpet!*

*Gerald Peterson*

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Those Serving Today	
Assisting Minister	Vickie Jasinski
Crucifer	Olivia S.
Acolyte (s)	Landry E.
Lector	JoAnn Weiland
Communion Assistant	JoAnn Weiland
Dismissal Assistant	Alec B.

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**SECOND READING**

**Ephesians 3:14-21**

*We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.*

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup> I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup> and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup> I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup> and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup> Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**GOSPEL**

**John 6:1-21**

*In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.*

The Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup> A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. <sup>3</sup> Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. <sup>4</sup> Now the Passover, the festival

of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup> When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” <sup>6</sup> He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” <sup>8</sup> One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup> “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” <sup>10</sup> Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. <sup>11</sup> Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup> When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” <sup>13</sup> So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. <sup>14</sup> When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.” <sup>15</sup> When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. <sup>16</sup> When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup> got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. <sup>18</sup> The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup> When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. <sup>20</sup> But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” <sup>21</sup> Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*(The assembly is seated.)*

## SERMON

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken* **ACS 966**  
*(See Insert)*

*(Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923-2007; Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950; Text © 2006 GIA Publications, Inc.; Music © 1987 GIA Publications, Inc.)*

## APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

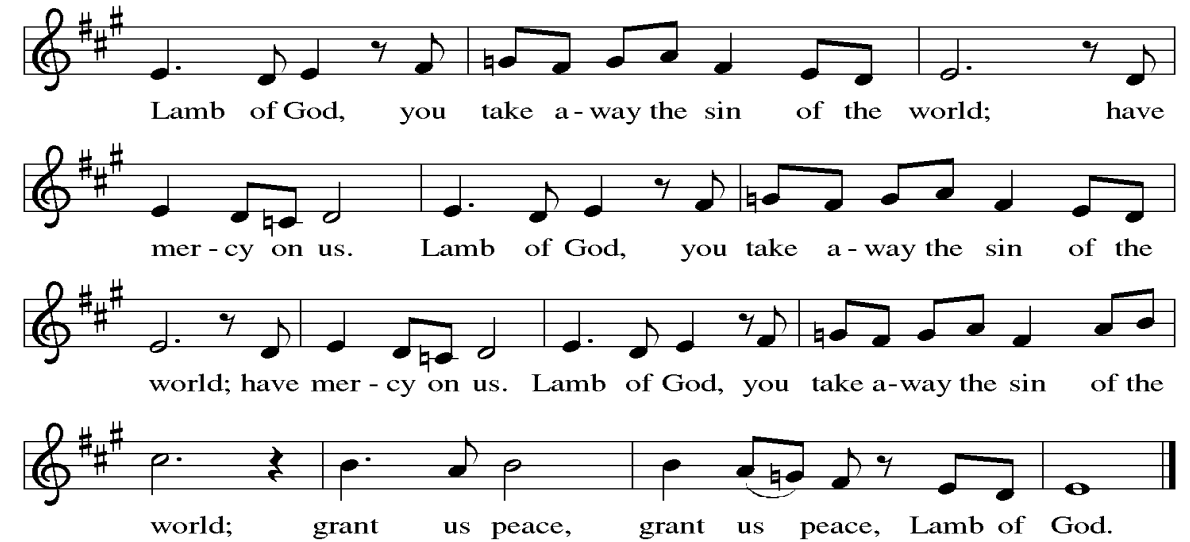
**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**  
**Amen.**

*If you are not communing you are welcome to come forward for a blessing, crossing your arms over your chest.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.  
Come!

## LAMB OF GOD



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 peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

**COMMUNION HYMN** *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart* **ELW 484**  
*(Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997; Music: Robert E. Kreutz, 1922-1996; Text and music © 1977 Archdiocese of Philadelphia)*

**Break Now the Bread of Life** **ELW 515**  
*(Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841-1913, alt.; Music: William F. Sherwin, 1826-1888)*

*(Please remain seated.)*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray:  
Jesus, Bread of life,  
we have received from your table  
more than we could ever ask.  
As you have nourished us in this meal,  
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.  
In your name we pray.  
**Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God,  
Breath of life and Fire of love:  
with a mighty wind you brought creation into being,  
and by a pillar of fire you led your people into freedom.

We praise you for the gift of your Son,  
who poured out your Spirit on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed...

Remembering, therefore,  
his death, resurrection,  
and the sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit,  
we await his coming again to renew the face of the earth.

Send now your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this meal:  
anoint us with your gifts of faith, hope, and love,  
that, with thankful hearts,  
we may be witnesses to your Son.

Blessing, praise, and thanks  
to you, holy God,  
through Christ Jesus,  
by your Spirit,  
in your church,  
without end.  
**Amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

*(The assembly is seated.)*

## COMMUNION

*All are welcome at Christ's table. Bread is received in the hands. Gluten-free wafers are available-if you need one, please ask the pastor. To receive the wine, take an empty cup and the communion assistant will fill it with a sip of wine. The cups that are already filled contain grape juice. After drinking, place the used cup in the basket on your way back to your seat.*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*After each petition*      In your mercy.  
**Hear our prayer.**

**PEACE**      The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*(We offer each other a sign of Christ's peace. Afterwards, the assembly is seated.)*

## MEAL

**OFFERTORY MUSIC**  
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*Heaven's Bread*

*Susanna Keeney*

*Thank you for your generous support of St. John's. During this time an offering is gathered for the mission and ministry of the Church as together we experience and share God's abundant grace and love.*

*Many in our congregation give online. You can set up one-time or recurring donations on our website [stjohnsparkville.org](http://stjohnsparkville.org). Checks and cash may be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church. You may also donate via venmo @stjohnsparkville*



*(Please stand as you are able.)*

## OFFERING HYMN

*As the Grains of Wheat*

*ELW 465*

*(Text: Didache, 2<sup>nd</sup> cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950; Music: Marty Haugen; Text and music © 1990 GIA Publications, Inc.)*

## OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,  
you have set this table with your very self,  
and called us to the feast of plenty.  
Gather what has been sown among us,  
and strengthen us in this meal.  
Make us to be what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world.  
**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

## DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*1*  
Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer  
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more

än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.

Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here

väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

*2*  
Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,  
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,

du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!  
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!

Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.  
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

(Text and music: Per Harling, b. 1948; Text and music © 1990 Ton Vis Produktion AB, admin. Augsburg Fortress)