

Zion & St. James Lutheran Churches of Martin County, Minnesota



Pastor John Henry

Holy Cross Day (observed)

September 12, 2021



Regarding Membership and the Holy Communion

We believe that, in the Holy Communion, the bread is truly Christ's Body and the wine is truly His Blood, given to us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. As we receive this gift individually, we profess that we are truly one body in Christ—that we are united in one faith and teaching (doctrine). Ordinarily, full participation in this Holy Communion is reserved for those who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. *Any visitors or guests who desire to partake of the Body and Blood of Christ are asked to please speak with the Pastor or an Elder before the service.*

Opening Hymn *Lift High the Cross* **837**

Invocation, Confession & Absolution *LSB pg. 151*

Entrance Psalm *Psalm 98:2*



The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;*
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.

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.

Kyrie *LSB pgs. 152-153*

This is the Feast *LSB pgs. 155*

Prayer (Collect) of the Day *LSB pg. 156*

P Let us pray.
Merciful God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, was lifted high upon the cross that He might bear the sins of the world and draw all people to Himself. Grant that we who glory in His death for our redemption may faithfully heed His call to bear the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading

Numbers 21:4–9

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 40:1–11

¹I waited patiently for the LORD;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.
²**He drew me up from the pit of destruction,
out of the miry bog,**
and set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.
³**He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God.**
Many will see and fear,
and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴**Blessèd is the man who makes
the LORD his trust,**
who does not turn to the proud,
to those who go astray after a lie!
⁵**You have multiplied, O LORD my God,
your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;
none can compare with you!**
I will proclaim and tell of them,
yet they are more than can be told.

⁶**Sacrifice and offering you have not desired,
but you have given me an open ear.**

Burnt offering and sin offering
you have not required.

**⁷Then I said, “Behold, I have come;
in the scroll of the book it is written of me:**

**⁸I desire to do your will, O my God;
your law is within my heart.”**

**⁹I have told the glad news of deliverance
in the great congregation;**

behold, I have not restrained my lips,
as you know, O LORD.

**¹⁰I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;**

I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness
from the great congregation.

**¹¹As for you, O LORD, you will not restrain
your mercy from me;
your steadfast love and your faithfulness will
ever preserve me!**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18–25

¹⁸The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us
who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the de-
bater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through
wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save
those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom,

²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to
Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the
power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is
wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia Cantic

C Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.
Raised from the dead, He will never die again.
Death has no more dominion over Him.**

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all.
Living, He lives to God.
Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Je-
sus, our Lord.**

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

John 12:20–33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

²⁷“Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour?’ But for this purpose I have come to this hour.

²⁸“Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon Hymn *Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle* **454**

Sermon

Creed

Offering

Blessing of Sunday School Students & Teachers

Recognition of New Members *Zion only*

Offertory *LSB pgs. 159-160*

Service of the Sacrament *LSB pgs. 161-163*

The distribution of the Body & Blood of Christ.

Distribution Hymns:

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross **425**

Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed **560**

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus **685**

Thanksgiving & Benediction *LSB pgs. 164-166*

Closing Hymn *Let Me Be Thine Forever* **689**

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In Our Prayers

St James

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Elizabeth Gwaltney

Serving our Country: Adam Quade

Sick & In Distress: Mitchell Wagner

Homebound: Bev Graplar, Adeline Hartmann, Janice Peterson, Carl Luhmann

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Juan Marroquin, Samuel Marroquin Balderas, Victoria Marroquin Balderas,
Santiago Marroquin Balderas

Serving our Country: Ben Peymann, Dalton Fette, Kory Brown, Jesse Peterson

Sick & In Distress: Greg Wallace, Duane Behrens, Kathy Bergemann

Homebound: Dale Schwieger, Arlene Darmer, Bill Peymann, Lenore Wendt,
Norma Patsche

You can sponsor the bulletins (\$10) or online broadcast (\$25) any-time throughout the year, in honor of a special event or giving thanks to God. Call the church office to reserve the week of your choice.

Deadline to submit items for the October newsletter is Tuesday Sept 21st. You can submit through email, phone message or in person.

Donations for Zion Kitchen Remodel are welcomed. Please make check out to Zion Lutheran and designate it to Kitchen Remodel.

LWML Women's Retreat is scheduled on September 17-18 at Good Shepherd Lutheran in Owatonna. We will be studying *God's Quilt of Comfort; Wrapping up in the Psalms* during this one-day retreat on Saturday with optional servant event and fellowship activities offered Friday evening. Make it a girl's weekend and invite your girlfriends and relatives to join you for this relaxing time away in the Word. Bring your granddaughter, pastor's wife, or neighbor; all who attend will find comfort and inspiration in the Psalms.

LWML Southwest Conference Fall Get-Together is set for Saturday, Oct. 2, at Rost, MN-- St. Paul Lutheran Church (38886 800th Street, Lakefield). Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. (\$5 fee). Welcome and opening at 9:00. Theme for the event is based on two verses: "The Lord Is My Rock" Ps. 18:2 & "Give Thanks To the Lord" 1Chron. 16:8. The speakers are the Rev. Dr. Richard Carter & Miriam Carter, Concordia Theological Seminary, regarding their service in Hong Kong. Gifts From the Heart will include items for the Orphan Grain Train--a list will be published at a later date. Also be aware that this is the day BEFORE our already scheduled *Zone Fall Rally in Blue Earth*.

MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL

Help Martin Luther High School double their KWIK Trip rewards during the month of September. Purchase KWIK Trip gift cards through the MLHS office. Available in \$10's, \$25's, \$50's and \$100's. Stock up! Call Sarah Odegaard at 507-436-5249 or stop in during office hours. Thank you!

The Martin Luther High School, Northrop, Yearbook staff is selling Simply Sweet Cheesecakes and Sweet Tango Apples until September 20th. Apples will be delivered after September 24th and Cheesecakes after October 1st. Cheesecakes come in a pack of 6 cupcakes for \$15 and apples are \$10 for a 5# bag. For more information call the MLHS office at 507-436-5249.

ST JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Grocery Receipts for SJLS. Receipts should ONLY be from the Fairmont HyVee or Fareway stores. Thank you for saving your receipts! **Each \$150,000 in receipts gets us a \$1,000 check.**

HyVee \$64,000 Fareway \$70,000

Receipts from HyVee can be grocery, gas or pharmacy

The Panther Press is now available to view online at sjlnorthrop.com. Check out all the wonderful happenings at the school. Hover over the School Tab across the top of the home page and in the dropdown menu you will find Panther Press, then just choose a date.

SJL Apparel Online Store is also available for anyone on our website.

Harvest Dinner at SJL, sponsored by the Eve Circle, is scheduled for Sunday November 7th. Be watching for more details.



NEEDED: Sunday School Superintendent at SJL. Please contact Paul Tomlinson (236-2143).

Caregivers are so special as they take care of a loved one 24/7 and sometimes put their own health at risk! CREST is hosting **“Powerful Tools for Caregivers,”** which is a 6 week class that can help caregivers find time for themselves, stave off burnout, and still take care of their care partner. This class will meet on Tuesday mornings from **September 14th-October 19th from 9:30-11:00am** at the CREST offices, located at 820 Winnebago Avenue in Fairmont. A suggested donation of \$10 is requested to help defray the cost of the guide book. To register, please call the CREST office at 235-3833.

St Paul’s Lutheran Church LWML & School of Fairmont will be hosting a Fall Gala Event on November 5th at Interlaken Golf Club in Fairmont. Tickets are \$50.00 and include Dinner with both Silent & Live Auctions plus games. The fun begins at 5:00PM. For more information, contact SPL Church Office, 238-9491.

Those Serving our Lord	
Greeters	
SJL 9-12	Dan & Lynn Petrowiak
9-19	Bethany & Brianna Petrowiak
Zion 9-12	Bob & Viv Traetow
9-19	



THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: September 12—19, 2021

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 8:30AM–1:00PM

Office phone: 436-5289 **Email:** sjl_office@frontiernet.net **Website:** sjlnorthrop.com

Sunday	SS Rally Day/Zion New Members Recognition	
	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM
	Zion Church Picnic	(Z) 11:00 AM
Tuesday	Chapel	(SJ) 8:40 AM
Wednesday	Confirmation Class (6th & 7th grades)	(SJ) 4:00 PM
	Confirmation Class (8th grade)	(SJ) 5:00 PM
	SJL Council Meeting	(SJ) 7:30 PM
Thursday	Chapel	(SJ) 8:40 AM
Friday	Morning Bible Study	(SJ) 8:00 AM
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	SJL Congregational Brunch	(SJ) 9:45 AM
	NFL	(SJ) 7:00 PM

Online giving is an easy and reliable method to contribute to your church while you are out of town, or if you are interested in eliminating the need to remember your envelope on Sunday morning. You can make a one time donation or save time and schedule recurring contributions. This option is available for either congregation through our website, sjlnorthrop.com.



Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			September 5, 2021
Attendance	103 (HC 58)	Home	\$1,925.00
Loose Plate	\$205.00	MLHS	\$1,265.00
Missiona	\$265.00		

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			September 5, 2021
Attendance	70 (HC 65)	Home	\$2,696.00
Online	\$486.17	MLHS	\$300.00
Loose Plate	\$100.00	Tuition Angel	\$150.00
Tuition	\$500.00	Bibles	\$414.87
SJL School Misc	\$200.00	Missions	\$760.00



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Tyler & Mikaela Morris
Julie Becker
Liam Fritz
Cairne Eytcheson
Dylan Thisius
Juan Marroquin & Veronica Balderas & Family
Mayson & Monica Sands
Brandon Poppe
Pastor John & Laura Henry & Family
Marcus & Alisa Eytcheson & Family
Austin & Amanda Morris
Lynn Schwieger & Family
Cody Roberts

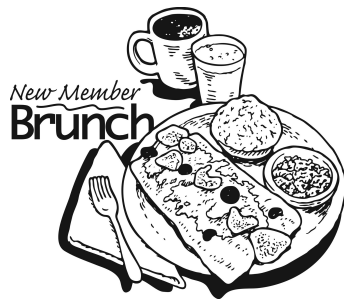


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Ken & Rhonda Petrowiak
James & Elizabeth Burkey & Family
Samantha Egeness & Family
Judi Polzin
Mason Engel
Mariah Garlick
Jamee LaRow & Family
Jaxsyn, Marshall, & Alexander Mortenson
Jayse Schultz
Kelly & Kathy Lenz & Family
Diana Mosloski
Josh & Joni Howe & Family
Jon Jenks & Zac
Paul & Hayley Luther
Andrew Gonzalez



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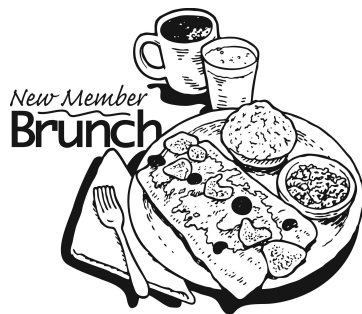


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