

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



*Pastor John Henry*



**Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**  
*October 17, 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**      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*      **700**

**Invocation, Confession & Absolution**      *LSB pgs. 184-185*

**Entrance Psalm**      *from Psalm 34*



The LORD is near to the broken- | hearted\*  
and saves the crushed in | spirit.  
I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*  
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

**Gloria Patri**      *LSB pg. 186*

**☐** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without**  
**end. Amen.**

**Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis, Prayer of the Day**      *LSB pgs. 186-189*

**Prayer (Collect) of the Day**

*LSB pg. 189*

**P** Let us pray.

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**SJL School Students Musical Offering**

*St. James Only*

**First Reading**

*Ecclesiastes 5:10–20*

<sup>10</sup>He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. <sup>11</sup>When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? <sup>12</sup>Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

<sup>13</sup>There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, <sup>14</sup>and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. <sup>15</sup>As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand.

<sup>16</sup>This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? <sup>17</sup>Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

<sup>18</sup>Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. <sup>19</sup>Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. <sup>20</sup>For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Second Reading**

*Hebrews 4*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. <sup>2</sup>For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. <sup>3</sup>For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath,  
‘They shall not enter my rest,’”

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. <sup>4</sup>For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” <sup>5</sup>And again in this passage he said,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

<sup>6</sup>Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, <sup>7</sup>again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
do not harden your hearts.”

<sup>8</sup>For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. <sup>9</sup>So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, <sup>10</sup>for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

<sup>11</sup>Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. <sup>12</sup>For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

<sup>14</sup>Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. <sup>15</sup>For 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. <sup>16</sup>Let 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.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Verse**

*Mark 10:27b*

**P** Alleluia. With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God. Alleluia.

**Alleluia** *Praise the Lord*

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Holy Gospel***Mark 10:23–31***P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.**G Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>23</sup>Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” <sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.**G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.****Sermon Hymn**      *Entrust Your Days and Burdens*      **754****Sermon****Creed & Prayers**      *LSB pg. 192, or inside the back of the hymnal.***Offering & Offertory**      *LSB pg. 192***The Service of the Sacrament**      *LSB pgs. 194-198**The distribution of the Body & Blood of Christ.***Distribution Hymns:***Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness*      **636***The Tree of Life*      **561****Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving, Benediction**      *LSB pg. 199-202*

**Closing Hymn**    *By All Your Saints in Warfare*    **518 sts. 1, 26, 3**

1    By all Your saints in warfare,  
      For all Your saints at rest,  
      Your holy name, O Jesus,  
      Forevermore be blest!  
      For You have won the battle  
      That they might wear the crown;  
      And now they shine in glory  
      Reflected from Your throne.

26    St. Luke, Evangelist (October 18)  
      For that belov'd physician  
      All praise, whose Gospel shows  
      The Healer of the nations,  
      The one who shares our woes.  
      Your wine and oil, O Savior,  
      Upon our spirits pour,  
      And with true balm of Gilead  
      Anoint us evermore.

△    3    Then let us praise the Father  
      And worship God the Son  
      And sing to God the Spirit,  
      Eternal Three in One,  
      Till all the ransomed number  
      Fall down before the throne,  
      Ascribing pow'r and glory  
      And praise to God alone.

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**Condolences to the family of Julie Becker** at the loss of her father, Ronnie Eastvold, this past week. May God be your constant source of peace and comfort. **Flowers are placed at Zion** by the family.

**Bulletins & Broadcast** for the month of October are sponsored by **Gary & Sandra Luhmann** in Glory to God for the many blessings in their 46 years of marriage celebrated on the 24th.

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

**Donations for Zion Kitchen Remodel** are welcomed. Please make checks out to Zion Lutheran and designate to Kitchen Remodel.

### In Our Prayers

#### St James

*Baptism Birthdays:* Kailey Boyd, Tanner Kakeldey, Coleton Bartz,  
Ava Egeness, Joshua Wolter, Micah Gonzalez, Jordan Luhmann,  
Jeffrey Crissinger

*Serving our Country:* Adam Quade

*Sick & In Distress:* Mitchell Wagner

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

#### Zion

*Baptism Birthdays:* None this week

*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



### **Upcoming Quarterly Voters' Meeting**

Please consider becoming a Church Voter. All adults (age 18+) can be voters and help make decisions for your church. Members from all generations are needed to ensure the future of our congregations continue forward in faith. Contact an elder if you have questions. **SJL: Wednesday 10/20, 7:30 PM**

**Harvest Dinner is happening!** Eve Circle is hosting our dinner on Sunday, Nov. 7th, 10:30-1:00, complete with turkey commercials, assorted salads, pies and desserts. We need your help! Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex for salad, pie, and dessert donations, as well as work shifts for setup, food prep, table waiting, and cleanup. There's a job for anyone willing. You can also contact the church office or Heidi Koeritz with any offers of assistance.

### **MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL**

The **35th Annual Fall Rummage and Bake Sale** will be held at Martin Luther High School, Northrop on Thursday, October 21, 4-8 pm; Friday, October 22, 8 am to 8 pm; and Saturday, October 23, 8 am to noon. Set up will begin on Saturday October 16 Donations of fall and winter clothing in good condition, toys, and household items are appreciated. Donations will be accepted Saturday until Wednesday noon. Volunteer help from set-up to take-down is most welcome. Come when you can and leave when you wish. Volunteers make this sale such a wonderful success for 35 years. **Thank you!**

**Fall Delegate Meeting** will be held at MLHS, Sunday 10/24 @ 1 pm.

**Martin Luther High School Class of 2024** will be hosting a **Baked Potato Bar** Dinner on **Sunday, October 24th** from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Load your baked potato with a variety of toppings, enjoy dessert and beverage and support the students! Cost is a free will donation.

All 7th & 8th Grade Students are invited to visit **Step UP Day** at Martin Luther High School, Northrop on Friday, October 29th from 9:15-1:30 p.m. MLHS students will provide activities and classroom tours. Pizza lunch is provided. **Please RSVP to 507-436-5249 by October 25th.**

The National Honor Society will host a **Red Cross Blood Drive at MLHS** on Monday, November 1 from 12:30-5:30 p.m. To schedule an appointment call 1-800-RED-CROSS or go to [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) and enter MLHSMN.

Tickets are available now for **The Mission Possible Benefit KNIGHT** at MLHS on Saturday, November 13th. 1990 Alum Ryan Hall, Assistant Fire Chief at West Des Moines, IA will be the guest speaker. Christian comedian and illusionist Will McDaniel will entertain with a show entitled "Laugh at Life--It's an Illusion!". Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for a 7:00 show. A cheesecake bar will be served. Tickets are \$30 each and must be purchased in advance. **Tickets available in the church office.**  
\*Veterans receive a free ticket. Everyone is invited to attend this important benefit for the MLHS Ministry.

#### **ST JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

**Grocery Receipts for SJLS.** Receipts should ONLY be from the Fairmont HyVee or Fareway stores. Thanks for saving your receipts!

**Each \$150,000 in receipts gets us a \$1,000 check.**

HyVee \$20,000      Fareway \$87,000

**Receipts from HyVee can be grocery, gas or pharmacy**

**Collected \$150,000 from HyVee and starting over!**



**SJL Board of Christian Education** will be sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast after church **TODAY, Sunday Oct.17th.** Cost is a free-will donation and proceeds will go towards new computers. Come for the breakfast, stay for the fellowship.

**LYF** will meet at SJL on Sunday 10/24 at 5:30pm with opening prayer in the church. Parents are encouraged to attend to discuss the next Higher Things conference scheduled for July 2022. We also will be continuing our study of Matthew.

<b>THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD:      Oct 17-24, 2021</b>	
<b>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:    Monday-Friday 8:30AM–1:00PM</b>	
<b>Office phone: 436-5289    Email: sjl_office @frontiernet.net    Website: sjlnorthrop.com</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	SJL Students K-8 Sing @ St James service Divine Worship (SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM Sunday School (Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM Pancake Breakfast Sponsored by BOCE (SJ) 9:45-12:30 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	Chapel (SJ) 8:40 AM PTL (SJ) 7:00 PM
<b>Wednesday</b>	Confirmation Class (6th & 7th grades) (SJ) 4:00 PM Confirmation Class (8th grade) (SJ) 5:00 PM SJL Quarterly Voters' Meeting (SJ) 7:30 PM
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>MEA BREAK—NO SCHOOL Thursday &amp; Friday</b> <b>MLHS RUMMAGE SALE BEGINS</b>
<b>Friday</b>	Morning Bible Study (SJ) 8:00 AM
<b>Sunday</b>	SJL Students K-8 Sing @ Zion service Divine Worship (SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM Sunday School/Bible Class (Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM MLHS Baked Potato Bar Lunch Class of 2024 11-1 PM MLHS Delegate Meeting 1:30 PM LYF (SJ) 5:30 PM

Those Serving our Lord		
	Greeters	Acolyte
<b>SJL 10-17</b>	Kevin & Sherri Roforth	Ashley Burkey
<b>10-24</b>	Robin Scheff & Jeremy Scheff	Joseph Crissinger
<b>Zion 10-17</b>	Alan & Peggy Wille	Sam Marroquin-Balderas
<b>10-24</b>	Curt & Denise Wille	Jadyn Montgomery

Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion		October 10, 2021	
Attendance	61 (HC 46)	Home	\$2,060.00
Loose Plate	\$53.00	Missions	\$285.00

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James		October 10, 2021	
Attendance	86 (HC 66)	Home	\$3,075.00
Online	\$475.56	Missions	\$110.00
Loose Plate	\$143.00	Tuition	\$400.00
Bulletins/Broadcast	\$175.00	Transportation	\$100.00
Catechisms	\$326.00		