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



Pastor John Henry



Regarding Membership and the Holy Communion

St Michael & All Angels (observed) September 26, 2021

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 Ye Watchers and Ye Ho	ly Ones 670
Invocation, Confession & Absolution	LSB pg. 203
Entrance Psalm	Psalm 103:1, 20-22
Bless the LORD, O my soul,*	. 1
and all that is within me, bless his holy name Bless the LORD, O you his angels,* you mighty ones who do his word, obeying th	
Bless the LORD, all his hosts,*	
his ministers, who do his will! Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his Bless the LORD, O my soul!	s do- minion.*
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 & Gloria in Excelsis	LSB pg. 204

Prayer (Collect) of the Day

LSB pg. 205

P Let us pray.

Everlasting God, You have ordained and constituted the service of angels and men in a wonderful order. Mercifully grant that, as Your holy angels always serve and worship You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may also help and defend us here on earth; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading

Daniel 10:10–14; 12:1–3

¹⁰And behold, a hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. ¹¹And he said to me, "O Daniel, man greatly loved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for now I have been sent to you." And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood up trembling. ¹²Then he said to me, "Fear not, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand and humbled yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. ¹³The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty -one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with the kings of Persia, ¹⁴and came to make you understand what is to happen to your people in the latter days. For the vision is for days yet to come. . . ."

¹"At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. ²And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 91

¹He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

²I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

³For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.

⁴He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. ⁵You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day, ⁶nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday. ⁷A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. ⁸You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked. ⁹Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place the Most High, who is my refuge-¹⁰no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent. ¹¹For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. ¹²On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone. ¹³You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot. ¹⁴"Because he holds fast to me in love. I will deliver him: I will protect him, because he knows my name. ¹⁵When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble: I will rescue him and honor him. ¹⁶With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

Second Reading

Revelation 12:7–12

⁷Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, ⁸but he was defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. ⁹And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. ¹⁰And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. ¹¹And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. ¹²Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

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

Alleluia & Verse

LSB pg. 205

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:1–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord.

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ²And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

⁵"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ⁶but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

⁷"Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

¹⁰"See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. ¹¹For the Son of Man came to save the lost."

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

Sermon Hymn	Christ, the Lord of Hosts, U	Inshaken 521
Sermon		
Creed & Prayers		LSB pgs. 206-207
Offering		
The Service of th	e Sacrament	LSB pgs. 208-210
The distribution o	f the Body & Blood of Christ	
Distribution Hyn	nns	
At the Lar	nb's High Feast We Sing	633
O Little F	lock, Fear Not the Foe	666
Beautiful	Savior	537

Song of Simeon, Thanksgiving & Benediction LSB pgs. 211-212

Closing Hymn Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 805

In Our Prayers			
Family of Andria Jones (Koons)			
<u>St James</u>			
Baptism Birthdays: Shelby Tomlinson, Dereck Bartz, David Wiederhoeft,			
Larry Graplar, Hattie Schock			
Serving our Country: Adam Quade			
Sick & In Distress: Mitchell Wagnar			
Homebound: Bev Graplar, Adeline Hartmann, Janice Peterson, Carl Luhmann			
Zion			
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James Steuber, Dale Schwieger			
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			



Coffee Hour at SJL this week is in honor of **Rollo Kosbab on his 85th birthday.** Please join the family after service to wish Rollo a happy birthday. *Happy Birthday Dad! Thank you for the man you are and all that you do for everyone.* Love—Your Family **Donations for Zion Kitchen Remodel** are welcomed. Please make checks out to Zion Lutheran and designate to Kitchen Remodel.



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

LYF will be meeting TODAY (9/26) at 6pm in Northrop. We will be continuing our study of Matthew and play Family Feud, Bible Version. All students grades 7-12 are encouraged to attend.

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



Upcoming Quarterly Voters' Meetings

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.

> Zion: Wednesday 10/13, 7:30 PM SJL: Wednesday 10/20, 7:30 PM

LWML Southwest Conference Fall Get-Together is set for Saturday, Oct. 2, at <u>Rost</u>, <u>MN--</u> St. Paul Lutheran Church (38886 800th Street, <u>Lakefield</u>). 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 BE-FORE our already scheduled *Zone Fall Rally in Blue Earth*..

LWML Blue Earth Zone Fall Rally, Sunday, October 3rd at St Paul Lutheran Church in Blue Earth. Registration begins at 1pm and the rally begins at 1:30pm. Pastor Anthony Bertram, from St Paul Lutheran in Fairmont, will be the speaker and this year's theme is from LSB hymn #589 "Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens". Gifts from the heart will go to Options Pregnancy Center in Fairmont. **Fall Festival Luncheon & Bake Sale** at Immanuel Lutheran Church, basement, 1200 N. North Ave, Fairmont, on Saturday, **October 2nd**, from 11-1pm. Chicken and Stuffing Squares, Cranberry Relish, Glazed Carrots, Dinner Rolls, Assorted Pies, and Coffee will be served. Cost: \$8. "Take-out" available. Come for the Bake Sale too!

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!

Martin Luther High School Class of 2023 will be working for tips at the Pizza Ranch in Fairmont on Wednesday, September 29 from 5:00 p.m. to close. Please come and support their service.

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.

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 \$84,000 Fareway \$72,000 Receipts from HyVee can be grocery, gas or pharmacy



Matthew Moeller & Jayden Fritz would like to invite all friends and family to their Wedding Dance held at Flying Goose Campground in Fairmont on Saturday, October 2nd at 8PM.

Those Serving our Lord			
		Greeters	Acolyte
SJL	9-26	Web & Dar Quade	
	10-3	Doug & Laurie Quinn	Cedar Bohlsen
Zion	9-26	Dorie Schwieger & Sarah Wirth	
	10-3	Brad & Deb Wallace	Kayden Glidden

THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: Sept 26—Oct 3, 2021 CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 8:30AM-1:00PM Office phone: 436-5289 Email: sjl_office @frontiernet.net Website: sjlnorthrop.com			
Sunday	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM	
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM	
	LYF	(SJ) 6:00 PM	
Tuesday	Chapel	(SJ) 8:40 AM	
Wednesday	y Confirmation Class (6th & 7th grades) (SJ) 4:00 PM		
	Confirmation Class (8th grade)	(SJ) 5:00 PM	
	Board of Christian Education Mtg	(SJ) 7:00 PM	
Thursday	Chapel	(SJ) 8:40 AM	
	Eve Circle	(SJ) 7:00 PM	
Friday	Morning Bible Study	(SJ) 8:00 AM	
Saturday	LWML Fall Get-Together-Lakefi	eld 8:30 AM	
Sunday	LWML Sunday		
	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM	
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM	
	LWML Rally @ Immanuel Fairmo	nt 1:30 PM	

You can sponsor the bulletins (\$10) or **online broadcast** (\$25) anytime 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.

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, sjlnorthop.com.



Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			September 19, 2021
Attendance	84 (HC 67)	Home	\$3,680.00
Loose Plate	\$4.00	Missions	\$315.00

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			September 19, 2021
Attendance	101 (HC 83)	Home	\$1,964.00
Online	\$1,340.58	Missions	\$25.00
Loose Plate	\$208.00	Tuition Angel	\$50.00
SJL School Misc	\$115.00	Memorials	\$25.00
Online Broadcast	\$25.00	MLHS	\$125.00