

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



Pastor John Henry



Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 21, 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 *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* **940**

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

Entrance Psalm *2 Peter 3:13b NIV*



P We are looking forward to a new heaven and a | new earth,*
the home of | righteousness.

Gloria Patri *LSB pg. 186*

C **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.
Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading

Isaiah 51:4–6

⁴“Give attention to me, my people,
and give ear to me, my nation;
for a law will go out from me,
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.
⁵My righteousness draws near,
my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will judge the peoples;
the coastlands hope for me,
and for my arm they wait.
⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;
but my salvation will be forever,
and my righteousness will never be dismayed.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 119:33–40

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³³Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes;
and I will keep it to the end.
³⁴**Give me understanding, that I may keep your law
and observe it with my whole heart.**
³⁵Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for I delight in it.
³⁶**Incline my heart to your testimonies,
and not to selfish gain!**
³⁷Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things;
and give me life in your ways.
³⁸**Confirm to your servant your promise,
that you may be feared.**
³⁹Turn away the reproach that I dread,
for your just decrees are good.
⁴⁰**Behold, I long for your precepts;
in your righteousness give me life!**

Second Reading

Jude 20–25

²⁰But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray
in the Holy Spirit; ²¹keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the

mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. ²²And have mercy on those who doubt; ²³save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

²⁴Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, ²⁵to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse *Praise the Lord*

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Mark 13:24–37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus said:] “In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

²⁶And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²“But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. ³⁵Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning—³⁶lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn *Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide* **585**

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

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing **633**

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones **670**

I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus **729**

Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving, Benediction *LSB pg. 199-202*

Closing Hymn *Onward, Christian Soldiers* **662**

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In Our Prayers

St James

Baptism Birthdays: Reece Riegel, Jonathan Hurlburt, Sam Hurlburt,
Lukas Krome, Hayden Solberg, Andrea Wiederhoeft, Heidi Koeritz

Serving our Country: Adam Quade

Sick & In Distress: Lindsey Luhmann, Mitchell Wagner

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

Zion

Baptism Birthdays: Jaxtyn Roberts

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 for December newsletter is MONDAY 11/22.

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.



Voices needed for our joint choir. Practice will be held Wednesday evenings after church at Zion. Contact Heidi Koeritz if you have questions.

SS Christmas Program Practice begins NEXT SUNDAY 11/28. Please let your child's teacher, Annette Bremer (236-0632), or Deb Wallace (436-5635) know if they will participate in the program.

- **SJL:** After church at 9:45 with Sunday School to follow
- **Zion:** TBA

Friday Morning Bible Study Continues their study of Revelation, led by Pastor Henry in the fellowship hall, beginning at 8:00 AM. If you are unable to join us in person this is available to view live through our website sjlnorthrop.com or on our Facebook page.

SJL Kindergarten classroom is in need of 24-100 piece puzzles. If you have some you no longer use, please consider donating. Thank you!

The Ladies of Zion LWML and SJL Eve Circle are requesting addresses for our College Students. Please call (436-5289) or email (sjl_office@frontiernet.net) the office with this information before December 6th.

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 \$48,000 Fareway \$94,000

Receipts from HyVee can be grocery, gas or pharmacy

Your help is needed to beautify our churches for the Advent Season on Saturday Nov. 27th. Cinnamon rolls and beverages will be served.



Zion: 8:30AM

SJL: 9:00AM

MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL

- **SCRIPT gift card** orders can be placed until Monday, November 29th. Proceeds will benefit the MLHS Europe Group planning to travel in 2022. Order forms can be found in the church office or MLHS office.
- **Generation-to-Generation Antique Auction** will be on Saturday, January 15, 2022. *Now is the time to clean out those antiques, primitives and collectibles to donate or consign.* Notifications and pictures of items are appreciated by November 15th. Set-up will be on January 14. Call 507-436-5249 for more information.

SJL Eve Circle and Zion LWML will be collecting non-perishable food and hygiene items for Heavens Table Food Shelf again this year. There is a table in the narthex where you can place your donations now until December 19th. Remember those in need this Advent Season.

St John's Lutheran, Sherburn invites you to a **Fall Dinner on Sunday November 21st, 11-1pm**. Serving Cheesy Turkey, Pulled Pork or Brisket Sandwich, Chips, Salads, Pies & Deserts. Carry outs available. Free Will Offering. Up to \$800 goes towards support of a seminary student.

St John's Lutheran Church, Willow Creek invites you to their **Annual Pancake Dinner on Sunday November 21st, 11-1pm**. Pancakes, sausage, applesauce & beverage. Free Will Donation

St John's Antrim Church will be having their 6th annual Beef Commercial Meal Sunday Dec. 5th, 2021, from 11-12:30 pm. We will once again be offering to go orders, with limited seating in church basement. Pre orders for whole homemade pies, (Apple, Pecan, Cherry, Blueberry) can be done by calling 507-236-7292. Orders are due by Wed. Dec. 1st. You can pick up the preordered pies on the day of the meal. **This is a free will donation event.**

The LWML at St. Paul's in Wilbert is excited to invite others to join them this year for their annual **Christmas Social on December 9, 2021** at 1:30 p.m. After a short program there will be an opportunity to purchase Craft and Bake Sale items to help the Wilbert LWML fund their mission projects. There will be a small lunch available.

**Support St James Lutheran School
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Contact the office if you have questions!




 **THANK YOU** to the LYF, Larissa & Veronica. We are so grateful to all for taking the time to rake and bag the leaves in our yard and our neighbors' yards. Blessings to all of you!
With grateful hearts.....Dennis & Marianne Hagen

Those Serving our Lord		
	Greeters	Acolyte
SJL 11-21	Amanda & Alex Schuder	Cedar Bohlsen
11-28	Jason & Jackie Schuder	Bryce Borkenhagen
Zion 11-21	Molly Bargfrede & Kelsey Murphy	Kayden Glidden
11-24	Duane & Myrna Behrens	_____
11-28	Dave & Heidi Bicknase	John Henry IV

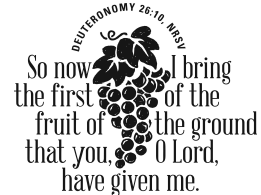
THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: Nov 21-28, 2021

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

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

Sunday	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Sunday School	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM
Tuesday	Chapel	(SJ) 8:40 AM
	BOCE Meeting	(SJ) 7:30 PM
Wednesday	NO Confirmation Classes	
	Thanksgiving Eve Divine Service	 (Z) 7:00 PM
	Joint Choir Practice	(Z) 8:00 PM
Thursday	Happy Thanksgiving	
Friday	NO Morning Bible Study	
Saturday	Decorate Churches	(Z) 8:30 AM, (SJ) 9:00 AM
Sunday	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 10:45 AM
	SS Christmas Program Practice	(Z) TBA (SJ) 9:45 AM

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			November 14, 2021
Attendance	86 (HC 56)	Home	\$2,610.00
Loose Plate	\$25.85	Missions	\$125.00
SJL School	\$50.00	Kitchen Remodel	\$1,000.00

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			November 14, 2021
Attendance	69 (HC 63)	Home	\$4,660.00
Online	\$775.56	Tuition Angel	\$160.00
Loose Plate	\$81.00	Transportation	\$245.01
Facility Rental	\$75.00	Missions	\$30.00