

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



Pastor John Henry

The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 11, 2023



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

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

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Invocation, Confession & Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P ...I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Entrance Psalm

Psalm 50:1



¹*The Mighty One, God the LORD,
speaks and sum- | mons the earth*
from the rising of the sun to its | setting.*

***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 pg. 204

P ...let us pray to the Lord:

C ***Lord, have mercy! Christ, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!***

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB pg. 204

C ***To God on high be glory and peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.***

***To You, O sole-begotten, the Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, you take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated at God's right hand on high—***

***For You alone are holy; you only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.***

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with your spirit.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

First Lesson

Genesis 15:1–6, 12–15

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.”

²But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” ⁴And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” ⁵And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

¹²As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram. And behold, dreadful and great darkness fell upon him. ¹³Then the LORD said to Abram, “Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. ¹⁴But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions.

¹⁵As for yourself, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 1



¹*Blessèd is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the | wicked,*
**nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of | scoffers;**
²*but his delight is in the law | of the LORD,*
and on his law he meditates | day and night.**

³*He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not | wither.*
In all that he does, he | prospers.*

⁴*The wicked | are not so,*
but are like chaff that the wind | drives away.*

⁵*Therefore the wicked will not stand in the | judgment,*
nor sinners in the congregation of the | righteous;
⁶*for the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,*
but the way of the wicked will | perish.**

Second Lesson

Romans 4:1–8

¹What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.” ⁴Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. ⁵And to the one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, ⁶just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

⁷“Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,
and whose sins are covered;
⁸blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.”

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

Luke 16:19–30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

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

¹⁹“There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. ²⁶And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ ²⁷And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— ²⁸for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ ³⁰And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon Hymn *Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart* **708**

Sermon "Limitations"

The Apostles' Creed *inside the back cover of the hymnal.*

The Prayers

Offering

The Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And with your spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary [...] evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *LSB pg. 208*

C *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!*

The Lord's Prayer *inside the back cover of the hymnal*

The Consecration

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei *LSB pg. 210*

C *O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.*

Communion Hymns

If God Himself Be for Me **724**

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me **761**

Nunc Dimittis

LSB. 211

C *O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.*

*All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.*

Thanksgiving & Benediction

P Let us pray... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

C **Amen**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with your spirit.**

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give ✠ you peace.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

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Lutheran Schools in Martin County
St James Lutheran School, Martin Luther High School
All Schools and places of learning



St James

Baptism Birthdays: Larry Baarts, Alex Mortenson, Jaxsyn Mortenson,
Marshall Mortenson, Jayse Schultz

Sick & In Distress: Mitchell Wagner, Rochelle Franzen,
Marilyn Borkenhagen, Marianne Hagen, Dan Petrowiak

Homebound: Bev Graplar, Carl Luhmann

Zion

Baptism Birthdays: Caitlin Balcom, Chuck Dobson, Jayden Moeller

Seminary Student: Peter Preus

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

Sick & In Distress: Greg Wallace, Lynn Schwieger, Caleb Roiger

Homebound: Dale Schwieger, Lenore Wendt, Norma Patsche,
Violet Lueth

Today's bulletins and broadcast are sponsored by Gary & Connie Peymann to the Glory of God & in honor of their anniversary on June 9th. May God continue to bless your marriage.

You can sponsor the bulletins (\$10 per congregation) or **online broadcast** (\$25) anytime throughout the year, in honor of a special event or giving thanks to God. Call the church office with your request.

Summer Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 8:00am - Noon.

LYF Egg fundraiser continues. Sales will be at SJL after most services or you can call/text Lynn Becker at 230-2700 to arrange a pick up from the farm. 100% of proceeds goes to LYF for expenses and future trips. Please keep returning cartons and just leave in the SJL narthex.

Zion Lawn Mowing List is now posted in the church narthex. If we missed you and you would like to help OR if you are on the list but are no longer able to help, please reach out to Isaac Wallace 236-7190. Thank you to all the volunteers who help keep the church looking great! - Zion Trustees

Bulletins are emailed weekly. If you are not on the list and would like to be, please contact the office. **Bulletins can also be found on the website sjlnorthrop.com or zionfraser.com.** Contact the office if you have questions.



Are you in need of help with meals? **St James Lutheran Stewardship Committee** is starting a meal-train for SJL members who wish to have some help with meals for a short time. This could be due to an illness, a hospital stay, a birth of a child, a death in the family, or for any other reason. Contact Jody Uttech (507-236-6456) if you wish to have a meal-train started for you and/or your family. Also, if you are willing to help by furnishing a meal for a meal-train family when it works with your schedule, please let Jody know.



Bridal Shower for Macy Quinn and Cameron Dressen will be held at SJL on Saturday, July 8th, beginning at 10am. The couple is registered at Amazon.com/wedding and Zola.com/registry. All the ladies of both congregations are invited to celebrate the blessing of marriage with Macy.

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Fairmont invites all men (ages 12+) for a summer **Men's Trap Shoot Competition**, June 11, July 16 and August 13. See poster for more details.

Fifth Annual ELS Apologetics and Worldview Conference held at Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato. "A Culture of Deception? Equipping Christians with Truth & Love in Tumultuous Times" June 21st (7-9pm) & June 22nd (10:30-2:30pm). Free event in person or livestream.

Going on Vacation? You can still enjoy our Sunday morning services. Go to our facebook page, YouTube channel, or use the link on the website to watch the SJL service live or at a later time. Please also continue to support your congregation through online contributions. Contact the office if you have questions.

Thrivent Workshops available in Fairmont. For many individuals and families, setting the groundwork for the future can be overwhelming. Southern MN Financial Advisors, in partnership with Eythan Frandle of Peterson, Kolker, Haedt & Benda Law Firm, want you to have the information you need to help you pass on your legacy. Jason Bonnema, Brandon Sahr and Scott Fuhrman would like to invite you to join us for one of our complimentary workshops in which we will look to prepare for the future together! Four options available: **June 15th or 19th**: 12:00pm @ Graffiti Corner or 5:30pm @ The Ranch Restaurant. Reserve your place today, 507-526-5000. A meal will be served.



Larry and Annette Bremer invite our friends of St James and Zion churches to celebrate the marriage of their daughter Alyssa to Zachary Fischer. Celebration will be held Friday June 16 from 4:00 to 9:00 at the Knights of Columbus in Fairmont. Sandwiches and beverages will be served. No gifts please.

"The God who created us and redeemed us and lives in us has put His seal of ownership on us! He has chosen us and appointed us for a purpose—to live as Jesus' disciples by bearing fruit for His kingdom. By God's grace, and with His help, may we bear good fruit and make God-pleasing choices that glorify God who chose to create us and save us!" *Rev. Craig Michaelson, Faith Community Lutheran Church, Las Vegas, Nevada – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



MARTIN LUTHER JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL
SJL & Zion are full association members

There will be a **Summer Volleyball Camp** held at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop for boys and girls going into grades 3-9 July 17-21. The camps will be led by Michaelah Petrowiak (ML '21) and Kambria Steinhaus (ML '22). More information and registration is available at www.martinlutherhs.com or call 507-436-5249.

A **Summer Art Camp** will be held at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop on Monday, June 12; Wednesday, June 14 and Thursday, June 15. Sessions are 9:30-11:30 a.m. for Grades 1-4 and 12:30-2:30 p.m. (corrected time) for grades 5-9. Instructor is Kim Koppen. Cost is \$50. Registration can be done at www.martinlutherhs.com.

The **Play It Again Golf Benefit** for the Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School Music Department will be held on Saturday, June 17 at Interlaken Golf Course in Fairmont. Registration begins at 12:15 p.m. with a 1:00 p.m. shotgun start. It is a two-person best ball tournament. Cost is \$80/golfer. Advance registration at www.martinlutherhs.com.

On Christ the Solid Rock Parking Lot Project: Just as Noah started building the ark by God's instructions when not one drop of rain had fallen, Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School is stepping forward with this project with utter, blind faith. In 2015 the donor of the first strip of concrete said, *"You only get one chance to make a good first impression."* This past spring the busing companies had difficulty navigating it. The NLSA Accreditation Team's report said, *"The #1 thing that parents and students would like to see improved is the parking lot."* It is our prayer that instead of seeing a rutted, muddy parking lot with gravel dust gathered at our front door, guests will see an expanse of PRISTINE, SOLID CONCRETE and think *"Martin Luther really is a flourishing school."* Everyone is invited to be a part of this project to help us reach our goal. Go to www.martinlutherhs.com for weekly updates on our progress. Deadline is July 1st. Or call 507-436-5249 for more details.

All-School Reunion: Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School is planning a "Party in the Parking Lot" All-School Reunion on Saturday, September 2, 2023 beginning at 5:00 p.m. All alumni are invited. Current addresses of alumni are needed, please update the school office as soon as possible. Call 507-436-5249.

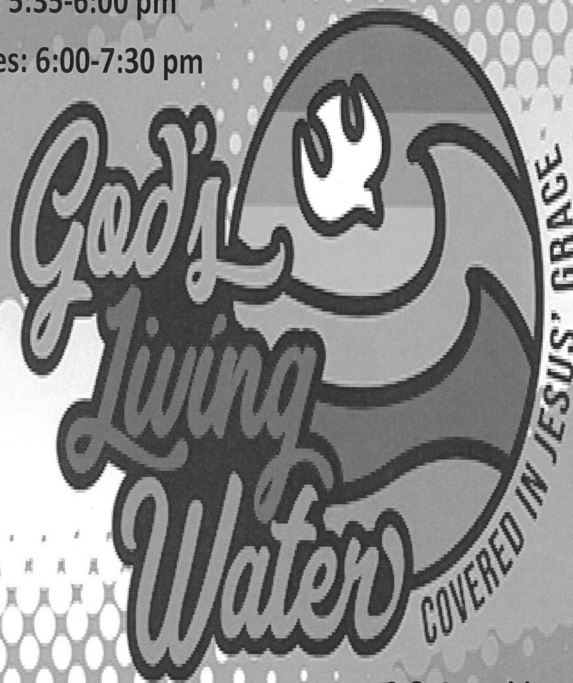
Enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year is open at Martin Luther JR/SR High School, Northrop. Interested families are invited to visit the school at any time. Call 507-436-5249 to set up a time.

Join us for VBS

June 18-22nd

Supper: 5:35-6:00 pm

Activities: 6:00-7:30 pm



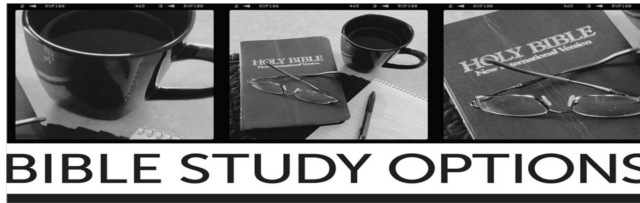
3 & 4 yr olds w/an adult
thru entering 6th grade

Please consider helping!

We need help with prepping and serving supper, crafts, and playtime.

We'll also gladly accept any donations toward expenses!

Pre-registration required - forms available in the narthex at both churches or online at www.sjlnorthop.com or zionfraser.com



Sunday morning Adult Bible Class.

No class during the month of June. Join us in July & August for a joint Bible Class before church.

Tuesday Women's Bible Study at Zion, 7pm. Please join us for our study of Ephesians in the book "The Church, the Body of Christ", by Rev. Craig McCourt. Books are available at class.

Friday Morning Bible Study is held at 8am in the Fellowship Hall at SJL. We are currently studying the Life and Ministry of St Paul.

ISSUES, ETC. SCHEDULE:

Sundays on KSUM 1370AM - 9 am

June 11 Creed: What I wish My Non-Lutheran Family Understood

About - Rev Bryan Wolfmueller

June 18 Baptism: What I wish My Non-Lutheran Family Understood

About - Rev Bryan Wolfmueller

June 25 Joyfully Lutheran - Rev. Dr. President Matt Harrison

THE LUTHERAN HOUR TODAY:

Sundays on KSUM 1370AM- 11 am


Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

"Strength Out of Weakness" The human 'heroes' of the Bible are normal people, deeply flawed and dearly loved by the God Who made them. (Judges 6:14-16)

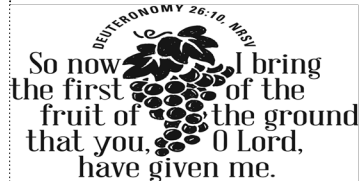


Those Serving our Lord	
	Greeters
SJL 6-11	Craig & Marilyn Carrigan
6-18	Jeff & Leslie Crissinger
Zion 6-11	Curt & Denise Wille
6-18	Wayne & Laura Wille

THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: June 11 - 18, 2023
CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM - Noon
Office phone: 436-5289 Pastor phone: 219-713-1604
Email: sjlnorthrop@gmail.com Website: sjlnorthrop.com or zionfraser.com

Sunday Divine Worship (SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
Monday Office Closed
Tuesday Ladies Bible Study (Z) 7:00 PM
Wednesday NO LWML
 Zion Trustees Meeting (Z) 7:00 PM
Friday NO Morning Bible Study (SJ) 8:00 AM
Saturday MLHS Play it Again Golf Tourney 1:00 PM
Sunday **Father's Day**
 Divine Worship (SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
 VBS (Sun-Thurs) (SJ) Supper 5:35-6, VBS 6-7:30 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 the website; sjlnorthrop.com or zionfraser.com



Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			June 4, 2023
Attendance	78 (HC 61)	Home	\$2,925.00
Loose Plate	\$17.50	Missions	\$200.00
Zion Repairs	\$100.00		

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			June 4, 2023
Attendance	94 (HC 78)	Home	\$4,305.00
Loose Plate	\$157.00	Missions	\$110.00
Online	\$568.37	SJLS Misc	\$1,366.57
Bulletins	\$45.00	Memorials	\$20.00
Rental	\$150.00	Tuition	\$4,800.00