

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



*Pastor John Henry*

**The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

*July 2, 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.*

*As our nation prepares to celebrate its independence, we praise  
God for the freedom to gather for worship. Welcome to all.*

**Opening Hymn**      *Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices*      **811**

**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** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.  
**P** ... in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

*Psalm 89:1*



*<sup>1</sup>I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, for- | ever; \*  
with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all gener- | ations.*

*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.*

LSB pg. 186

**C** *Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*LSB pgs. 186-189*

**P** Glory be to God on high:  
**C** and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy  
upon us.  
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with your spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

*Genesis 28:10–17*

<sup>10</sup>Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. <sup>11</sup>And he came to a certain place and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Tak-

ing one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. <sup>12</sup>And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! <sup>13</sup>And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, “I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. <sup>14</sup>Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. <sup>15</sup>Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” <sup>16</sup>Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, “Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it.” <sup>17</sup>And he was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm

*Psalm 61:1–5*



<sup>1</sup>*Hear my cry, | O God,\**

*listen | to my prayer;*

<sup>2</sup>*from the end of the earth I call to you  
when my | heart is faint.\**

*Lead me to the rock*

*that is high- | er than I,*

<sup>3</sup>*for you have been my | refuge,\**

*a strong tower against the | enemy.*

<sup>4</sup>*Let me dwell in your tent for- | ever!\**

*Let me take refuge under the shelter | of your wings!*

<sup>5</sup>*For you, O God, have | heard my vows;\**

*you have given me the heritage of those who | fear your name.*

#### Second Lesson

*2 Corinthians 5:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup>For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, <sup>3</sup>if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. <sup>4</sup>For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup>He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

<sup>6</sup>So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia**

*LSB pg. 190*

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Holy Gospel**

*Luke 10:25–37*

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

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

<sup>25</sup>Behold, a lawyer stood up to put [Jesus] to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>26</sup>He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” <sup>27</sup>And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>28</sup>And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

<sup>29</sup>But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” <sup>30</sup>Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup>So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ <sup>36</sup>Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” <sup>37</sup>He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”

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

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

Sermon Hymn     *If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee*     750

Sermon

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

The Prayers

Offering

Offertory     *LSB pg. 192-193*

**C** *Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy  
Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with  
Thy free spirit. Amen.*

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. 195*

**C** *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the  
name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.*

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. 198

- C** *O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.*  
*O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.*  
*O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.*

### Communion Hymns

<i>Your Table I Approach</i>	628
<i>Chief of Sinners Though I Be</i>	611
<i>Amazing Grace</i>	744

### Nunc Dimittis

LSB pgs. 199-200

- C** *Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,*  
*for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,*  
*a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.*  
*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.*

### 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

*God Bless Our Native Land*

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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:* Macy Quinn, Carl Luhmann, Carole Lohmann,  
Bob Kosbab, Annabelle Denn

*Sick & In Distress:* Mitchell Wagner, Rochelle Franzen,  
Marilyn Borkenhagen, Marianne Hagen, Tom Koeritz

*Homebound:* Bev Graplar, Carl Luhmann

**Zion**

*Baptism Birthdays:* none this week

*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

**Bulletin/Broadcast Sponsors**

- **Pastor & Laura Henry** in thankfulness to God for 15 years of marriage on the 12th and for Pastor's 10th year in the ministry.
- **Gary & Sandra Luhmann** for the month of July in celebration of their birthdays.

**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.

Very big **Thank You** to all who donated to the Lincolnstrong team for the Relay 4 Life - it was a big success!! ~The Becker family

**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.



**Everyone is invited to a potluck Sunday July 9th after church at SJL.** Silverware, plates, cups and beverages will be provided. Bring your favorite dish to pass and stay after church for lunch.

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](https://www.amazon.com/wedding) and [Zola.com/](https://www.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**, July 16 and August 13. See poster for more details.

**Donations are welcomed** to replace the lawn mower at SJL. Our current mower is not holding up with the amount of use on a weekly basis. Please designate on memo line of check or on your envelope. Contact Gary Luhmann if you have any questions.

Thank you ~SJL Trustees

**St Paul's Lutheran Church of Truman** invites you to their Annual Salad Luncheon on Wednesday July 12th, 11am-12:30pm. Take-outs available. Cost is \$8.



**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.

#### **GROCERY RECEIPTS TOTALS**

*Keep receipts coming in, it's an easy fundraiser!*

**HYVEE: \$ 25,000      FAREWAY: \$137,000**

**HyVee receipts can be grocery, gas, or pharmacy**

**THANK YOU FOR SAVING YOUR RECEIPTS**





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

**Summer Volleyball Camp** at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop for boys and girls going into grades 3-9 July 17-20. More information and registration is available at [www.martinlutherhs.com](http://www.martinlutherhs.com) or call 507-436-5249.

**Summer Basketball Camp** at MLHS for boys and girls going into grades 3-8, July 10-14th, 8 - Noon. More information and registration is available at [www.martinlutherhs.com](http://www.martinlutherhs.com) or call 507-436-5249. You may also contact Laura Henry with any questions 432-6597. Camp will be led by Reed & Leslie Wokasch and is sponsored by the PTL's of St James Lutheran, St Paul - Fairmont and St Paul's – Truman.

**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](http://www.martinlutherhs.com) for weekly updates on our progress. **Deadline is July 1st.** Or call 507-436-5249 for more details.

**"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.



**Get your 4th of July of fire works at the TNT stand at the Walmart Parking lot in Fairmont.** Martin Luther High School will be running the stand. It is open every day beginning June 24 from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. until July 4th. Lots of cool stuff! Thank you for your support.

**JOINT SUNDAY SERVICES**  
**Adult Bible Class @ 8:00am, Divine Worship @ 9:00am**  
**July @ SJL                      August @ ZION**



“We may think our prayers are small in relation to the magnitude of the problem of abortion. Not so! ... Educate yourself, your children, and the people you know ... Support leaders who embrace these words, ‘All men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness’ ... We have the most hopeful message the world has ever heard. You know it. God does big things with small stuff. How can we be so sure? Shiphrah and Puah, Jochebed, Miriam, and Moses ... and especially Jesus. Amen.” *Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing, Concordia University, St. Paul, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*



Those Serving our Lord		
Greeters		
<b>SJL 7-2</b>	Mike & Samantha Egeness	<b>9AM @ SJL</b>
<b>7-9</b>	Jason & Melissa Engel	<b>9AM @ SJL</b>
<b>Zion 7-2</b>	Dustin & Stephanie Zellmer	<b>9AM @ SJL</b>
<b>7-9</b>	Darren & Caitlin Balcom	<b>9AM @ SJL</b>



## **BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS**

### **Sunday morning Adult Bible Class.**

July and August join us for a Pastor led study on Philippians and Colossians beginning at 8:00am.

**Tuesday Women's Bible Study** at Zion, 7pm. We will be working on a study by Michelle Diercks, "Promised Rest".

**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. We **will** have our Bible Study on Friday, July 7th, but not for the remainder of July.

### **ISSUES, ETC. SCHEDULE:**

**Sundays on KSUM 1370AM - 9 am**

- July 2** The Saint Peter Option: Living As Exiles in a Foreign Land  
Pastor Peter Bender
- July 9** Fatherhood - Pastor Jeff Hemmer
- July 16** Fatherlessness and Fracturing of Society  
Dr. Stephen Baskerville
- July 23** Christian Crusaders - Raymond Ibahim
- July 30** Repentance - Pastor Will Weedon

### **THE LUTHERAN HOUR TODAY:**

**Sundays on KSUM 1370AM- 11 am**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

**"Lean into the Villain's Story"** Jesus changes the way we see ourselves and others, even our villains. He died and rose for them, too.  
(Romans 7:24)

**THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD:** July 2 - July 9, 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

<b>Sunday</b>	Joint Adult Bible Class	(SJ) 8:00 AM
	Joint Divine Worship	(SJ) 9:00 AM
<b>Monday</b>	Office Closed	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>4th of July</b>	
	NO Ladies Bible Study	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Joint Elder's Mtg	(SJ) 7:00 PM
<b>Friday</b>	Morning Bible Study	(SJ) 8:00 AM
<b>Sunday</b>	Joint Adult Bible Class	(SJ) 8:00 AM
	Joint Divine Worship	(SJ) 9:00 AM
	Joint Potluck after church	



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Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			June 25, 2023
Attendance	81 (HC 68)	Home	\$2,207.20
Loose Plate	\$48.70	Missions	\$275.00
Zion Repairs	\$100.00	MLHS	\$700.00
SJL School Misc	\$50.00		

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			June 25, 2023
Attendance	85 (HC 72)	Home	\$3,905.00
Loose Plate	\$416.50	Missions	\$635.00
Online	\$619.18	COVID Reimburse	\$6,425.07
Bulletins	\$45.00	Transportation	\$580.80
SJLC Misc	\$140.00	MLHS	\$175.00