

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



Pastor John Henry

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 20, 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.*

Welcome to Worship

“The gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable” (Romans 11:29).

***God has called you, so receive his gifts for you today:
his love, his forgiveness, his life.***

Opening Hymn *All Who Believe and Are Baptized*

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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 28:8



⁸The LORD is the strength of his | people; *
he is the saving refuge of his a- | noointed.

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 pgs. 152-153

Repeated 4 times:

P ...pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB pg. 155

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
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 and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Lesson

1 Kings 8:1-11

¹Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the leaders of the fathers' houses of the people of Israel, before King Solomon in Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which is Zion. ²And all the men of Israel assembled to King Solomon at the feast in the month Ethanim, which is

the seventh month. ³And all the elders of Israel came, and the priests took up the ark. ⁴And they brought up the ark of the LORD, the tent of meeting, and all the holy vessels that were in the tent; the priests and the Levites brought them up. ⁵And King Solomon and all the congregation of Israel, who had assembled before him, were with him before the ark, sacrificing so many sheep and oxen that they could not be counted or numbered. ⁶Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the LORD to its place in the inner sanctuary of the house, in the Most Holy Place, underneath the wings of the cherubim. ⁷For the cherubim spread out their wings over the place of the ark, so that the cherubim overshadowed the ark and its poles. ⁸And the poles were so long that the ends of the poles were seen from the Holy Place before the inner sanctuary; but they could not be seen from outside. And they are there to this day. ⁹There was nothing in the ark except the two tablets of stone that Moses put there at Horeb, where the LORD made a covenant with the people of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt. ¹⁰And when the priests came out of the Holy Place, a cloud filled the house of the LORD, ¹¹so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 122



¹I was glad when they | said to me, *

“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”

²Our feet have been | standing *

within your gates, O Je- | rusalem!

³Jerusalem—built as a | city *

that is bound firmly to- | gether,

⁴to which the tribes go up,

the tribes of the LORD,

as was decreed for | Israel, *

to give thanks to the name | of the LORD.

⁵There thrones for judg- | ment were set, *

the thrones of the house of | David.

⁶Pray for the peace of Je- | rusalem! *

“May they be secure who | love you!

⁷Peace be with- | in your walls *

and security within your | towers!”

⁸For my brothers and com- | panions’ sake *

I will say, “Peace be with- | in you!”

⁹For the sake of the house of the | LORD our God, *

I will | seek your good.

Second Lesson

1 Peter 2:1–12

¹So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. ²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation— ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone,”

⁸and

“A stone of stumbling,
and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

¹¹Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. ¹²Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

[P] This is the Word of the Lord.

[C] Thanks be to God.

Alleluia & Verse

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[C] *Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.*

Holy Gospel

Luke 19:41–48

[P] The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.

[C] Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴¹When [Jesus] drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, ⁴²saying, “Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side ⁴⁴and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation.”

⁴⁵And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, ⁴⁶saying to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be a house of prayer,’ but you have made it a den of robbers.”

⁴⁷And he was teaching daily in the temple. The chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people were seeking to destroy him, ⁴⁸but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were hanging on his words.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn *The Church's One Foundation* **644**

Sermon

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

The Prayers

Offering

Offertory *LSB 159*

C *What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the
name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.*

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. 161

C *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
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

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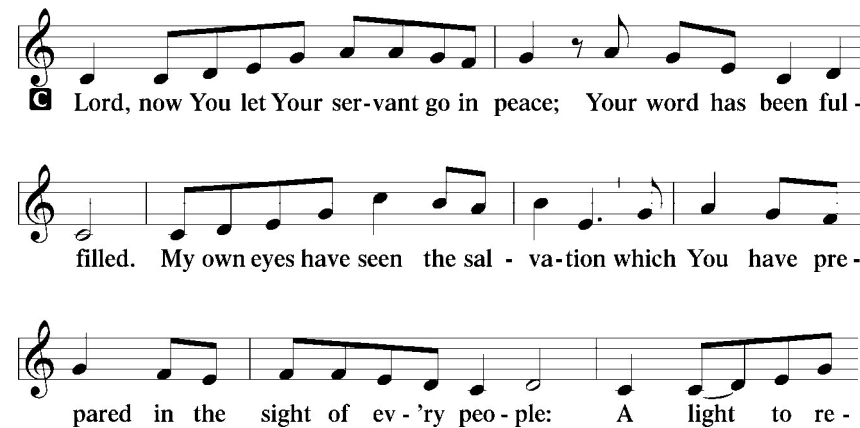
C *Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.*

Communion Hymns

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Nunc Dimittis

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C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -
pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



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

Fight the Good Fight

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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: Kirk Vogt, Rick Uttech, Marilyn Carrigan, Greg Schock
Sick & In Distress: Mitchell Wagner, Rochelle Franzen,
Marilyn Borkenhagen, Marianne Hagen, Tom Koeritz, Sandy Kurseth
Homebound: Bev Graplar, Carl Luhmann

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Violet Lueth

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May God continue to bless these families:

- **Ken & Rhonda Petrowiak** for the month of August in celebration of their 32nd wedding anniversary on August 31st.
- **Doug & Laurie Quinn** celebrated two wonderful milestones this past week. Granddaughter, Taya Weihe turned one on August 18 and Macy & Cameron were united in marriage August 19. God continually blesses our family with nurturing love and unwavering protection.

August Newsletters for Zion members are available on the table in the Narthex, SJL member newsletters are in your bulletin boxes at SJL.

 **September Newsletter Deadline** is Tuesday 8/22.

LYF Egg fundraiser continues, 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 leave in the SJL narthex.

SJL Members please renew your Lutheran Witness Subscription with the office. Anyone interested in starting a subscription, the deadline is **August 28th**. Price is \$23.16/yr and is payable to SJL.

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.



Thank you to John Thate, from Thate's Tree Service, who donated 2 more loads of new wood chips for our playground, and to Gary Luhmann for spreading them. Please share our appreciation when you see them.

Thate's Tree Service has removed all the dead trees from the SJL Cemetery. Any donations to help with this expense would be greatly appreciated, please mark your envelope or check with "Cemetery Tree Removal". We currently have received \$3,350 of the \$7,000 needed towards this expense. If you have any questions, please talk to one of our Trustees. ~Thank you

2023 Fall Women's LWML Retreat September 15-16, 2023 at Camp Omega, Waterville, MN. Come get away, relax, and be comforted by God's real and present peace as author and speaker Michelle Dierks leads us in her Bible study "Promised Rest". This one-day Women's Retreat, with optional Friday night activities, is open to all women (junior high age and older). The registration deadline is Friday, August 25. https://www.mnslwml.org/2023_district_retreat

ST JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL



2023-24 Back to School Registration If you were unable to attend our registration night, please contact your child's teacher or the office to set up a time to complete all the necessary paperwork before the school year begins. Returning students need to use the ENROLL ME option available through Gradelink to update or confirm their personal information. (contact the office if you need help logging in).

School Supply Needs: Kleenex, Paper Towels, Batteries (all sizes), and Disinfectant Wipes. If you are interested in helping us with these items, please bring to the office at SJL or leave in the Narthex at Zion.



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

Everyone is invited to the **"On Christ, the Solid Rock Praise in the Parking Lot Dedication"** at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop on Sunday, August 27th at 5:00 p.m. A short service will be held with Pastor Timothy Chase as the officiant. Some seating will be available but guests can bring a lawn chair if they wish. The **"Back-to-School Party" for students and families will follow at 5:30 p.m.**

"Party in the Parking Lot" All-School Reunion on Saturday, September 2, 2023 beginning at 5:00 p.m. Bring your significant other, lawn chairs, and get ready for a fun time. Alumni parents are also invited! Food and beverage trucks will be available for purchase. Fat City All Stars band will start at 7:00! The \$10 tickets can be purchased at martinlutherhs.com under Special Events > All-School Reunion. Join us in celebrating 40 years!

Announcement from Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School: Principal Paul Steinhaus has notified us that the 2023-2024 school year will be his last one at MLHS. He will be moving back to Wisconsin after graduation. The Board of Directors will be beginning the call process in September. If anyone has a name that they would like to submit please contact one of those on the Call Committee: Greg Sokoloski, Chairman; Pastor Timothy Chase; Garrett Schock; Stephanie Zellmer, Tom Taylor, Rebecca Oerman or Marge Thiesse. Your prayers are appreciated. May God bless and guide this process.

Adult Bible Study at Martin Luther High School: MLHS is offering an adult Bible study for the Gospel of Luke. We will read and discuss Luke through the eyes of "Wikipedia." Principal Paul Steinhaus will lead this "class." The class will meet every Thursday (when school is in session) from 10:15-11am starting Sept 7th. Please RSVP your interest in participating to: paulsteinhaus@martinlutherhs.com.

BBQ Benefit for the Trenton & Alex Rossow Family, Sunday September 10th, 11-1pm at Trinity Lutheran Church in Trimont. Leela Rossow was born May 13th, weighing 2#, 11oz and spent several weeks in the NICU in Rochester. She is home now and doing well. Benefit proceeds will help them with expenses incurred during their time in Rochester. A lunch of BBQs, chips, beans and bars will be served in the church basement for a free-will donation.

JOINT SUNDAY SERVICES

Adult Bible Class @ 8:00am, Divine Worship @ 9:00am

July @ SJL

August @ ZION



Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class will study the book of Colossians beginning at 8:00am.

Tuesday Women's Bible Study at Zion, 7pm. We currently are using a study by Michelle Diercks, "Promised Rest".

Friday Morning Bible Study will not meet 8/25 or 9/1, but join us again on 9/8 at 8am in the Fellowship Hall at SJL. We continue our study of the Life and Ministry of St Paul.

ISSUES, ETC. SCHEDULE:

Sundays on KSUM 1370AM - 9 am

August 20 Moses and Joshua - Dr. Adolph Harstad

August 27 Transhamaniusm - Brandon Steenback

THE LUTHERAN HOUR TODAY:

Sundays on KSUM 1370AM- 11 am

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

"The Latest Polls" What people think about something--that's a poll. What that something actually is--that's the truth.

(Matthew 21:8-11 and Luke 23:23-25)



Those Serving our Lord			
		Greeters	
SJL	8-20	Jan Hartmann & Connie Kakeley 9AM @ Zion	
	8-27	Keith & Mary Jo Hartmann 9AM @ Zion	
Zion	8-20	Doug & Lorna Bicknase 9AM @ Zion	
	8-27	Matt & Angela Brown 9AM @ Zion	

THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: **Aug 20 - 27, 2023**
CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: **Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM - Noon**
Office phone: 436-5289 **Pastor phone:** 219-713-1604
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Sunday Joint Adult Bible Class (Z) 8:00 AM
Joint Divine Worship (Z) 9:00 AM
Monday Office Closed
Tuesday Newsletter Deadline
Ladies Bible Study (Z) 7:00 PM
Wednesday Jt Elders Meeting (SJ) 7:00 PM
Friday NO Morning Bible Study
Sunday **Teacher Dedication Sunday**
Joint Adult Bible Class (Z) 8:00 AM
Joint Divine Worship (Z) 9:00 AM
Bring Supplies to School (SJ) 11:00-Noon

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SJL Online Giving



Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			Aug 13, 2023
Attendance	JT 118 (HC 52)	Home	\$4,360.00
Loose Plate	\$47.00	Missions	\$225.00
MLHS	\$500.00	Kitchen Repairs	\$1,700.00
SJL Misc	\$100.00		

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			Aug 13, 2023
Attendance	JT 118 (HC 41)	Home	\$2,180.00
Loose Plate	\$50.00	SJLS Misc	\$175.00
Online	\$1,925.46	Bulletins	\$80.00
Tree Removal	\$950.00		