

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

Pastor John Henry



The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 2, 2024



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.

*We gather to "sing aloud to God our strength;
[to] shout for joy to the God of Jacob" (Psalm 81:1)*

Opening Hymn *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty* 901

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 13:5–6



⁵*But I have trusted in your | steadfast love;**
my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.

⁶*I will sing | to the LORD,**
because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

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.

O God, the strength of all who trust in You, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing, grant us Your grace to keep Your commandments that we may please You in both will and deed; through 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

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.

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;
²but 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;
⁶for 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 16:19–31

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁹[Jesus said:] “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.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

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

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

<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	686
<i>O Lord, How Shall I Meet You</i>	334
<i>How Great Thou Art</i>	801

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

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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In a private service today at SJL, we welcome to the family of God through Holy Baptism, Jebidiah Maidl. His parents are Joseph & Ashly. His sponsors are Dallas Berube & Ryann Benny, Josh Nutt & Chloe Jensen are witnesses. May God continue to bless Jebidiah & his family.

Dana Lensert is sponsoring today's bulletins at SJL in honor of grandson, Jebidiah Maidl's baptism.

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.

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



St James

Baptism Birthdays: Jebidiah Maidl, Abby Wolter, Jamee Bohlsen,
Haley Schock, Jackson Luhmann

Sick & In Distress: Rochelle Franzen, Marianne Hagen, Tom Koeritz,
Myla Roskop

Homebound: Carl Luhmann

Zion

Baptism Birthdays: Violet Fehr, Luke Henry

Seminary Student: Peter Preus

Serving our Country: Ben Peymann, Kory Brown, Jesse Peterson,
Lili Bulfer

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

Homebound: Dale Schwieger, Norma Patsche, Violet Lueth,
Yonsey Karasek, David Hinz

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.



Thank you to Terry Larson and the Faith Larson AED Fund, SJL Eve Circle and an Anonymous donor for donations to purchase an AED unit for the school.

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.

Deb Wallace will be stepping down as Zion Sunday School Superintendent at the end of the school year. We are so grateful to Deb for her many years of dedicated service in this office! We'll be looking for a new leader for our Sunday School to start next year. If you are interested, or if you know someone who would be great, please let the Zion elders know. Thank you Deb, and thank you to all our teachers, parents, and students.

The windows in the parsonage need to be replaced, and the Zion trustees will present bids at the July Voters' Meeting. Hopefully, this can be finished before winter weather. Donations toward the parsonage windows are welcome at this time and going forward, as the cost will be significant. Thank you.

If you wish to reserve the fellowship hall at Zion, please: 1. Contact one of the elders for permission, and 2. Contact Heather in the office to make sure the day and time you want are free. Both of these steps need to be done to complete a reservation. Thank you.

LYF

- **Egg fundraiser** continues. Eggs will be available 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 leave in the SJL narthex.
- **Extra mozzarella cheese** from the pizza fundraiser available for \$13/5# bag. Contact Larissa Hagen or the church office to get a bag.

The LWML of Zion-Fraser is supporting the Orphan Grain Train now through June 18. Please see the newsletter for more information.

At each convention, LWML members and groups share God's blessings with others through Gifts from the Heart (GFTH). Orphan Grain Train has been chosen as the recipient of GFTH for the 2024 LWML Minnesota South District Convention. Orphan Grain Train is a Christian volunteer network that ships donated food, clothing, medical supplies, and other items of need to people in 71 countries worldwide.

The following is the list of GFTH items to collect for Orphan Grain Train.:

- New or gently used, clean shoes – all sizes, child through adult.
- New or gently used, clean socks – all sizes, child through adult.
- Quilts, blankets, or comforters – any size.
- Cash donations to pay for shipping. The average cost to ship a box of donated goods is \$11; the average cost to sponsor a full shipping container overseas is \$9,000.

*It is very important that the donated items are either new or clean, gently used items.

Thank you for your support of the 2024 Gifts from the Heart recipients and sharing the love of Christ!



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

The **Play It Again Golf Benefit** for the Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School Music Department will be held on Saturday, June 15th at Interlaken Golf Course in Fairmont with at 1:00 p.m. shotgun start. Register at www.martinlutherhs.com. The proceeds help support the music department by providing instrumental music scholarships and improvements to the music equipment and facilities. This is the only fundraising the music departments does. With our music program growing, we introduced our "Eagles Club". This club is for any individual or business that would like to donate a tax deductible donation of \$100 and your name or business is listed in our program. In its inaugural 2021 year, we raised nearly \$6000 from our "Eagles Club" members. What a huge blessing that was! We are asking for you to prayerfully consider partnering with us and become one of our "Eagle Club" members. You can go to our website: www.martinlutherhs.com, look for the special events tab and from there you can find the link for the Golf Benefit 24 and our Eagles Club; or you can send your gift to (please enclose a note indicating that this is for the "Eagles Club"): Martin Luther High School, Attn: Phil Schult, 315 Martin Luther Dr., Northrop, MN 56075 Thank you so much for your help.

Summer Camps for elementary students will be held at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop. The Art Camp runs the week of June 10. A Science Rocket Camp will be held the week of June 17. Registrations are due June 1st and can be done at www.martinlutherhs.com.

Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop has an opening for a part-time Guidance Director for the 2024-2025 school year. For more information contact margethiesse@martinlutherhs.com.

The Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School Board of Directors invites everyone to the "**Celebrating Our Freedom Benefit Dinner**" on Sunday, June 23rd from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Board will be serving Pork Loin grilled by the Martin County Pork Producers, Cheesy Hashbrown Potatoes, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Homemade Sourdough French Bread made by Kiehl's Bakery of Lakefield, and assorted Bars. Donations over \$20 are tax-deductible. Your gift will help sustain the MLHS Ministry throughout the summer months and assist with moving expenses for the new principal. A "**Meet and Greet Pantry Shower**" will also be held for Principal David and Makenzi Stuckwisch and their daughters that day. Guests are invited to bring non-perishable food items and household products to assist them in setting up their home. They come to us from Sierra Lutheran High School in Carson City, NV. They were living in a small camper and had furniture in storage. They have purchased a home in Fairmont and are excited to be in Minnesota.

The Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School Association **Delegate Meeting** will be held on Sunday, June 23rd at 1:15 p.m. in the Music Room following the Pork Loin Dinner. All pastors, delegates and interested persons are welcome to attend. Election of new board members will be held.

A Guide for Daily Devotions

On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, use this bulletin for daily devotions. On these days, pray the Collect of the Day each day, and reread the Lessons as follows: Monday, First Lesson; Tuesday, Second Lesson; Wednesday, Gospel Lesson. You may also want to pray or sing one of the hymns from the previous Sunday.

On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, follow this plan to prepare for the coming Sunday.

Each day, pray:

O Lord, since You never fail to help and govern those whom You nurture in Your steadfast fear and love, work in us a perpetual fear and love of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

On Thursday, read *Genesis 18:1-21*

On Friday, read *1 Corinthians 2:6-16*

On Saturday, read *Matthew 22:15-22*

You may also want to pray or sing the Hymn of the Day for the coming Sunday:

Hymn: 694 Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower



 **Issues, Etc.**

Sundays on KSUM AM 1370 or FM 97.1 @ 9 am

- June 2** The Proper Destination Between Law and Gospel Part 4 - Rev Will Weeden
- 9** The Proper Destination Between Law and Gospel Part 5 - Rev Will Weeden
- 16** The Proper Destination Between Law and Gospel Part 6 - Rev Will Weeden
- 23** The Mental Health and Spiritual Well Being of Pastors and Parishioners - Dr. Beverly Yahnke and Pastor David Fleming
- 30** This Week in Pop Christianity and The Charismic Obsession for Miracles, Signs and Wonders - Pastor Chris Rosebrough



THE LUTHERAN HOUR TODAY

Sundays on KSUM AM 1370 or FM 97.1 @ 11 am

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

"Lit Up" The Law and Gospel light of Jesus is both an exposing searchlight that reveals our shortcomings and a warm glow light that nurtures us. (Acts 11:24)

GROCERY RECEIPTS FOR ST JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL

*Keep receipts coming in, it's an easy fundraiser!
Collection boxes are available at each church or in the office.*

HY-VEE: \$60,000 FAREWAY: \$70,000

HyVee receipts can be grocery, gas, or pharmacy

All receipts must be from the Fairmont locations, but they DO NOT expire.

Thank you for your ongoing participation.



Those Serving our Lord		
Greeters		
SJL	6-2	Larry & Annette Bremer
	6-9	Craig & Marilyn Carrigan
ZION	6-2	Matt & Angela Brown
	6-9	Tony & Gini Brummond

THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: June 2 - 9, 2024
CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS: Tues - Fri 8:00 AM - Noon
Office phone: 436-5289 Pastor phone: 219-713-1604
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Sunday	Divine Worship NO Sunday School	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
Monday	Office Closed	
Wednesday	Jt Elders Meeting	(SJ) 7:00 PM
Friday	Morning Bible Study	(SJ) 8:00 AM
Sunday	Divine Worship NO Sunday School	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 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 the website; sjlnorthrop.com or zionfraser.com, or through the [tithe.ly](https://tithely.com) church app.



SJL Online Giving



Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			May 26, 2024
Attendance	124 (HC 78)	Home	\$2,221.17
Loose Plate	\$137.80	Missions	\$275.00
SPL Fmt	\$65.00	SJL School	\$50.00
MLHS	\$700.00		

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			May 26, 2024
Attendance	66 (HC 61)	Home	\$2,380.00
Loose Plate	\$30.00	Missions	\$500.00
Online	\$328.83	SJL School	\$1,608.79
Tuition	\$4,150.00		