

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

Pastor John Henry



**The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Father's Day**



June 16, 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.*

Happy Father's Day

***to all who share a caring relationship with a dad or dad-figure —
even as we gather to worship the most loving Father of all,
our God of infinite goodness.***

Opening Hymn *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

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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 25:16, 18



¹⁶Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me, *
for I am lonely and af- | flicted.

¹⁸Consider my affliction and my | trouble, *
and forgive | all my sins.

**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 protector of all who trust in You, without whom nothing is strong and nothing is holy, multiply Your mercy on us that, with You as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; 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 24:62–67

⁶²Now Isaac had returned from Beer-lahai-roi and was dwelling in the Negeb. ⁶³And Isaac went out to meditate in the field toward evening. And he lifted up his eyes and saw, and behold, there were camels coming. ⁶⁴And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she dismounted from the camel ⁶⁵and said to the servant, “Who is that man, walking in the field to meet us?” The servant said, “It is my master.” So she took her veil and covered herself. ⁶⁶And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. ⁶⁷Then Isaac brought her into the tent of Sarah his mother and took Rebekah, and she became his wife, and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother’s death.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 45:6–7, 10–11, 13–15



⁶Your throne, O God, is forever and ever.

*The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of up- | rightness; **

**Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness beyond your com- | panions;**

¹⁰Hear, O daughter, and consider, and in- | cline your ear: *

forget your people and your | father’s house,

¹¹*and the king will desire your | beauty. **

Since he is your lord, | bow to him.

¹³*All glorious is the princess in her chamber, with robes interwoven |
with gold. **

¹⁴***In many-colored robes she is led to the king,
with her virgin companions following be- | hind her.***

¹⁵*With joy and gladness they are | led along*
as they enter the palace | of the king.*

Second Lesson

Ephesians 5:22–33

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸In the same way

husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body. ³¹“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

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

John 4:5–26

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter.

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

⁵[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob’s well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” ⁸(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?” (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.” ¹¹The woman said to him, “Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.” ¹³Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” ¹⁵The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.”

¹⁶Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” ¹⁷The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.” ¹⁹The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet.

²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.” ²¹Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” ²⁵The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.” ²⁶Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn *God Loved the World So That He Gave* **571**

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

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord **637**
Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice **556**

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

I'm But a Stranger Here

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A Guide for Daily Devotions

On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, use this bulletin for daily devotions. One 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, grant that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Your governance that Your Church may joyfully serve You in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

On Thursday, read

Genesis 28:10-17

On Friday, read

2 Corinthians 5:1-10

On Saturday, read

Luke 10:25-37

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

Hymn: 750 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

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



St James

Baptism Birthdays: Dorothy Denn

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

Homebound: Carl Luhmann

Zion

Baptism Birthdays: Caitlin Balcom, Chuck Dobson

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

 **Congratulations to Tyler Moulton & Marissa Moeller** on their wedding held Saturday. May God Bless your marriage.

The Family of Robert Kosbab is sponsoring the bulletins and broadcast in celebration and thanksgiving to God for Bob's 90th birthday on the 15th. Happy Birthday Bob, may God continue to bless you as you have been a blessing to others!

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.

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.



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.

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.

HELP NEEDED: Zion is in need of 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.



At Zion we welcome Chelsey Armbrust and her daughters, Harper & Emery; Alex Schliesmann and fiance Hailey Leiding. We are happy to have them in our church family. Please introduce yourselves and invite them to participate in our activities.

July Newsletter Deadline is Tuesday, June 25th.



Higher Things Conference 2024 theme is “Who Am I”.

Identity: More than what you want to be when you grow up. More than what’s expected of you. What do you see when you look in the mirror? What gives you value? What makes you ... “you”? Dealing with insecurity, anxiety, and self-hate is hard enough before the pressures of the world, the pressures of your family, your own hopes and wants and dreams, and even the pressures of the church make this question debilitating. So Jesus baptizes you. Your identity is here. A child of God. It gives shape to the rest. It gives shape to your role as a man, a woman. It gives promise to your vocation. It even gives answer to your sin. You don’t identify by that anymore. Not by what you’ve done, but by what’s been done for you. Who am I? A Christian. You’re found in the wounds of the savior. Your identity starts there.

10 students and 2 adults will be traveling to Mequon, WI, June 24-28th: Cedar Bohlsen, Harley Geistfeld, John Henry, Luke Henry, Jackson Luhmann, Samuel Marroquin Balderas, Caleb Meyer, Levi Stevens, Avril Wiens, Lili Wiens, Veronica Balderas, & Pastor Henry. Please keep them in your prayers for a safe journey and a rewarding experience for all the attendees.

Thank You for all the congregational support making this trip possible for our youth.

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.

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: \$76,000 FAREWAY: \$77,000

**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.



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

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 margethiess@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.

**Collection for Gifts from the Heart
for Orphan Grain Train ends June 18th.**

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.

 **Issues, Etc.**

Sundays on KSUM AM 1370 or FM 97.1 @ 9 am

June 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](#)

"Water Power" God's mission is like water. Without changing what it is, the Good News of God's Kingdom takes the shape of its cultural container, crossing boundaries and barriers. (Acts 16:5)

Sunday morning Adult Bible Class will not meet during the month of June. Join us in July & August for a joint Bible Class at 8:30AM.

Friday Morning Bible Study is held at 8am in the Fellowship Hall at SJL. Everyone is welcome.

Vacation Bible School will be held July 21-25th at SJL. More details will be available in the July newsletter and in future bulletins.



Wishing all our Fathers and

Fathers-to-be a blessed day.


A wise son brings JOY to his father.

Proverbs 15:20

Those Serving our Lord		
Greeters		
SJL	6-16	Jeff & Leslie Crissinger
	6-23	Nate & Liz Denn
ZION	6-16	Zachary & Kayla Brummond
	6-23	Chuck & Nita Dobson



THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: June 16 - 23, 2024
CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS: Tues - Fri 8:00 AM - Noon
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Sunday	Father's Day 	
	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
Monday	Office Closed	
Wednesday	SJ Council Meeting	(SJ) 7:00 PM
Thursday	LWML District Convention - Mankato	
Friday	Morning Bible Study	(SJ) 8:00 AM
Sunday	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Celebrating Our Freedom Benefit Dinner/ Stuckwisch Meet & Greet Pantry Shower	(ML) 11:00-1:00 PM
	ML Delegate Meeting	(ML) 1:15 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, or through the tithe.ly church app.



SJL Online Giving



Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			June 9, 2024
Attendance	62 (HC 46)	Home	\$2,688.90
Loose Plate	\$25.00	Missions	\$200.00
Windows	\$100.00	SPL Fmt	\$65.00

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			June 9, 2024
Attendance	92 (HC 72)	Home	\$2,885.00
Loose Plate	\$214.00	Missions	\$190.00
Online	\$338.83	SJL School	\$100.00
Bulletins/Broadcast	\$45.00	Tuition Angel	\$250.00