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Third Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church. If you are a guest or visitor with us today, we welcome you and invite you to come and worship with us again. Please take the time to introduce yourself to Pastor Hayes, and we hope to see you again soon.

Remember that the Worship Service begins when you enter. As the Music for Meditation begins, you are invited to join in quiet, preparation time for worship. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

### Liturgy - Divine Service Setting Three (pg. 184)

Opening Hymn: 608 "Lord, to You I Make Confession"

Hymn of the Day: 609 "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"

Distribution Hymn: 619 "Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior"

Distribution Hymn: 809 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Distribution Hymn: 703 "How Can I Thank You, Lord"

Closing Hymn: 918 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

### Prayer Requests

Please email prayer requests to Pastor Hayes at [pastor.hayes@outlook.com](mailto:pastor.hayes@outlook.com).

Prayer requests will remain for 2 weeks unless you specify a length of time.

Angie Reinert, Marilyn Ohlde, Loraine Oldehoeft, Lorna Heitman, Loren Bott & Marilynne Ohlde (nursing home)

Ushers today - \*Conner Ohlde, Dylan Ohlde, Mason Tiemeyer, & Zac Hiltgen

Ushers June 23 - \*Ethan Bott, Aiden Sweet, Greyson Ohlde, & Liam Voelker

LYF Mowing by June 23rd - Mason & Emmitt Tiemeyer

LYF Mowing by June 30th - Zac Hiltgen & Noah Thalmann

- LCMS memory verse challenge: **Ephesians 5:1-2** - "Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."

### Upcoming Events

- June 16 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion  
10:45 a.m. Father's Day Ice Cream Social (sponsored by LWML)
- June 17-21 9:00-11:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School at St. John
- June 20 8:00 p.m. LLS School Board Meeting at Linn Lutheran School
- June 23 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
- June 25 7:00 p.m. Hymn Festival at Immanuel

### Announcements

- St. John has \$8,556.00 left to match in the 2024 Endowment Fund Matching Program for Linn Lutheran School. The Matching Program runs until July 15, 2024. Checks can be mailed or dropped off at Linn Lutheran. Thank you for using the Matching Program!
- The Father's Day offering has been designated to go to the North Central Kansas Outreach, which is Zion Lutheran Church in Concordia. St. John has supported this congregation in the past, through both financial support and with occasional pulpit supply.
- Jubilate Deo Music Academy is excited to offer a music camp this summer to strengthen music skills by engaging in LSB services that may not be familiar, singing in large and small groups, folk dancing, playing musical games, and more! Plus, we will be encouraging the artist in everyone to work on a group project we can all be proud of. The camp is for kids ages 7-12 and will meet from 9am-12pm on July 15-19 at St. John Palmer, with a service of Evening Prayer and Family Fellowship Time on Friday at 6pm. For more info, call or text Diane Hayes (970) 227-8600 or email [JDMAKansas@gmail.com](mailto:JDMAKansas@gmail.com). Sign up soon because space is limited! (<https://forms.gle/MEKsLcSDj1q1PM2G9>) We also need volunteers age 13 & up!
- Linn Lutheran School has an opening for an as needed maintenance position available. Tasks would include:
  - Conduct maintenance tasks to school as directed by school management
  - Minor repairs to school classrooms and common areas
  - Install equipment and appliancesIf interested, please contact David Beikmann by phone at 402-200-9720 or e-mail at [david.beikmann@cune.org](mailto:david.beikmann@cune.org).



## THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His Table those who trust His words, repent all sins, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily, according to Holy Scripture, do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain from communing with us until such a time as they are properly instructed.

A short, more detailed explanation of our Confessional practice is available from our Ushers or Elders. If you would like to learn more about the Sacrament of the Altar and our confessional position, I would be happy to visit with you.

-Rev. Joshua Hayes, Pastor, St. John Ev. Lutheran Church

In preparation for Holy Communion, you may use the following statements as part of your self-examination:

- I admit that I am a sinner. **(1 John 1:8-10)**
- I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, from Satan and death. **(Acts 4:10-12; John 14:6)**
- I desire to live as God wants me to. **(John 14:15; 1 John 2:6)**
- I am sure of my eternal salvation because Jesus died for me and rose again. **(John 3:16; Romans 8:14; & 1 John 5:11-12)**
- I believe the Risen Christ is really present in Holy Communion and that with the bread and wine I receive His Body and Blood. **(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 4:22-24; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; Luke 22:17-20)**
- I forgive those who have wronged me.

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### Morning Prayer

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

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### Introit *(Psalm 25:1-2a, 5b, 15, 20; antiphon: vv. 16, 18)*

Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,\*  
for I am lonely and af- | flicted.  
Consider my affliction and my | trouble,\*  
and forgive | all my sins.

**To you, O Lord, I lift | up my soul.\***  
**O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame.**  
**You are the God of my sal- | vation;\***  
**for you I wait all | the day long.**  
**My eyes are ever | toward the Lord,\***  
**for he will pluck my feet out | of the net.**  
**Oh, guard my soul, and de- | liver me!\***  
**Let me not be put to shame, for I take ref- | uge in you.**  
**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.**

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### Collect for the Third Sunday after Trinity

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.

## Old Testament Reading: *Micah 7:18-20*

18 Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity  
and passing over transgression  
for the remnant of his inheritance?  
He does not retain his anger forever,  
because he delights in steadfast love.  
19 He will again have compassion on us;  
he will tread our iniquities under foot.  
You will cast all our sins  
into the depths of the sea.  
20 You will show faithfulness to Jacob  
and steadfast love to Abraham,  
as you have sworn to our fathers  
from the days of old.

## Gradual (*Psalm 55:22a, 16, 18a*)

**Cast your burden on the Lord,  
and he will sustain you.  
I call to God, and the Lord will save me.  
He redeems my soul in safety.**

## Epistle Reading: *1 Peter 5:6-11*

6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, 7 casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. 8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 9 Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. 10 And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. 11 To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

## Alleluia Verse (*Psalm 18:1-2a*)

**Alleluia.** I love you, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer. **Alleluia.**

## Gospel Reading: *Luke 15:1-32*

11 [Jesus said:] “There was a man who had two sons. 12 And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. 13 Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. 14 And when he had spent

everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. 16 And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

17 “But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.’” 20 And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. 21 And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ 22 But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. 23 And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. 24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

25 “Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. 27 And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ 28 But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, 29 but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ 31 And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. 32 It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

## As We Gather...

## Jesus Receives Sinners

*“This man receives sinners and eats with them” (Luke 15:2). The Pharisees’ statement of judgment against Jesus is in fact a proclamation of Gospel truth. For our God is one who delights in mercy, who casts all our sins into the depths of the sea through the cross (Micah 7:18-20). “Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” (1 Timothy 1:15). Those who refuse to be counted as sinners also refuse Jesus who came only for sinners. Those like the older son (Luke 15:11-32), who think they are righteous of themselves, will not join in the heavenly celebration over the sinner who repents and so remain outside of the Father’s house. Let us therefore be on guard against self-righteously trusting in our own merits. “Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you” (1 Peter 5:6). Rejoice that Jesus receives sinners like us and that He still sits at table with us in the Holy Supper, bestowing His forgiveness and life.*

## Catechetical Review

### An Explanation of the Small Catechism The Ten Commandments

#### Sin

#### 78. What is sin?

Sin is every thought, desire, word, and deed which is contrary to God's Law.

252 **1 John 3:4** - Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness.

*Note:* Other names for sin are *disobedience* (**Romans 5:19**); *debts* (**Matthew 6:12**); *wickedness, rebellion* (**Exodus 34:7**); *fault* (**Matthew 18:15**); *trespass* (**Romans 5:17**); *wickedness* (**Romans 6:13**); and *wrong* (**Colossians 3:25**).

#### 79. Who brought sin into the world?

The devil brought sin into the world by tempting Adam and Eve, who of their own free will yielded to the temptation.

253 **1 John 3:8** - He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning.

254 **Romans 5:12** - Sin entered the world through one man.

*Bible narrative:* The fall of humanity (**Genesis 3:1-7**).

#### 80. How many kinds of sin are there?

There are two kinds of sin: original sin and actual sin.

#### 81. What is original sin?

Original sin is that total corruption of our whole human nature which we have inherited from Adam through our parents.

255 **Psalms 51:5** - I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

256 **John 3:6** - Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.

257 **Romans 5:12** - Sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned.

258 **Ephesians 4:22** - Put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts (NKJV).

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#### From "A Summary of the Christian Faith" by David Chytraeus (1568)

What is the Gospel?

The Gospel is the promise concerning Christ, or the teaching not known by nature but produced from the secret counsel of the Godhead through the Son. In it God, out of His boundless mercy, for the sake of Christ, His Son, freely promises the forgiveness of sins, righteousness, the Holy Spirit and eternal life to all who repent and embrace these promised blessings by faith.

The sum of the Gospel is Christ's statement: "God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him might not perish but have everlasting life." **Romans 3:** "We are justified freely by the grace of God through the redemption which is in Christ, whom God put forward as an expiation by His blood to be received by faith," etc.

The quotation above is by David Chytraeus and is from his 1568 work A Summary of the Christian Faith. The English translation is by Rev. Dr. Richard Dinda and is published by Repristination Press. For information on Elements of Religion and other books available from Repristination Press, visit [www.scholia.net](http://www.scholia.net).

## The Sunday of the Lost and Found



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