



REFORMATION

REFORMATION SUNDAY
ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
St. John Lutheran Preschool & Childcare
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
824 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, Wisconsin - 262-692-2734
Sunday, October 25 and Wednesday, October 28, 2020

Special Welcome To Those With Young Children

We are very happy that you are here today! At St. John we want you to feel at home.

- First, please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at St. John.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please dare to sit toward the front where your children can easily watch the pastor, note the colors, hear the bells, see the fire, and wonder about the stained glass windows of the Lord's Prayer and the Sacraments of Holy Baptism and the Lord's Supper. What Jesus does here promises to engage them.
- As we go, softly explain the Liturgy to your children, encouraging them to chime in on their parts: *Amen! Lord have mercy! And with your spirit! I believe! Our Father!* All of that belongs to them too.
- Be sure to sing and say and pray your parts too as you stand and sit. Your children learn by following your lead.

If you and your child must leave, please hurry back. We want your children here so much that we didn't build a nursery. Like Jesus, we want your children in the Liturgy, not out.

- If you need a little help, just ask. There are lots of good folks here who would love to lend you a hand!

Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Luke 18:16).

We know that your children are a gift to the Church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help and bless you all. Welcome to St. John!



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

HYMN: "'Thy Strong Word"

LSB 578



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
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 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
 Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
 Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
 Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 May the light which Thou dost send
 Fill our songs with alleluias,
 Alleluias without end!

△ 6 God the Father, light-creator,
 To Thee laud and honor be.
 To Thee, Light of Light begotten,
 Praise be sung eternally.
 Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
 Glory, glory be to Thee.
 Mortals, angels, now and ever
 Praise the holy Trinity!

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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Exhortation

LSB 151

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.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

LSB 151

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.

Absolution

LSB 151

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Remain Standing

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit

P I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]

C **and shall not be put to shame.**

P I will bless the LORD at all times;

C **his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

P My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

C **let the humble hear and be glad.**

P Come, O children, listen to me;

C **I will teach you the fear of the LORD.**

P The LORD redeems the life of his servants;

C **none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.**

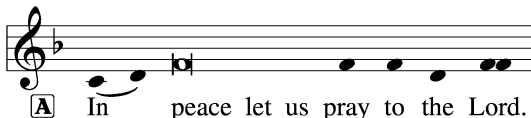
ALL **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

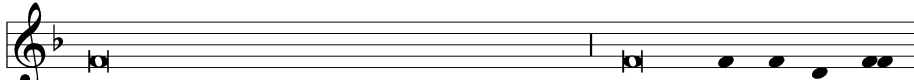
P I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]

C **and shall not be put to shame.**

Kyrie

LSB 152





A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



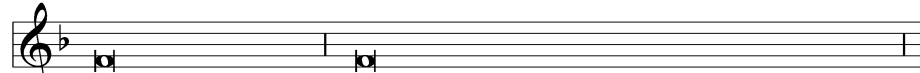
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



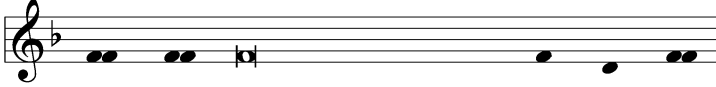
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.

C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:
 We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.
 Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:
 You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
 You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.
 For You a - lone are the Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,
 You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver

us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Third Grade Students are invited to come forward to receive their Bibles. This is a gift from us here at St. John Lutheran Church for the edification of God's Holy Word in their lives. May these Bibles be read, studied, and meditated upon as God the Holy Spirit fills our children with His grace, forgiveness, and ongoing mercy and protection against the evil one.

BLESSING OF BIBLES FOR OUR CHILDREN'S USE

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Dearly beloved, the Lord God by His Holy Spirit has caused all Scripture to be “written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.” Such learning takes place when we hear “the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.”

It is fitting that these Bibles be sanctified by the Word of God and prayer for use in the services of our Lord.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, You have given us Your holy Word to be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. We implore You to bless these Bibles.

Enlighten the hearts and minds of those who read from them, and open the ears of all who hear the Gospel proclaimed from them, that by Your Spirit they may earnestly hold fast to Him who is the way, the truth, and the life, even Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless these Bibles for use in the homes and lives of these Third Graders.

C Amen.

Students may return to their seats.

First Reading

Revelation 14:6–7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalms 48:1a, 12–14a



P Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,*
consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,
that you may tell the next gener- | ation*
that this is God, our God forever and | ever.

Epistle

Romans 3:19–28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show

his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

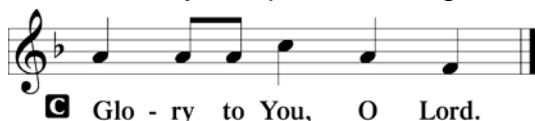


C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 8:31–36

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

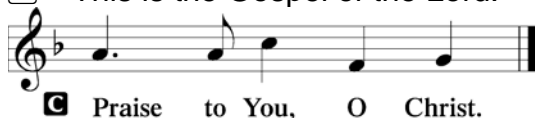


C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

HYMN: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

LSB 656



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
2 With might of ours can naught be done,
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
4 The Word they still shall let re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;
All ea - ger to de - vour us,
Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
But for us fights the val - iant One,
We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
He's by our side up - on the plain



That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.
They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil foe Now means
Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce
And take they our life, Goods, fame,



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,
as he will, He can harm us none.
child, and wife, Though these all be gone,

Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
And there's none oth - er God; He holds
He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -

is not his e - qual.
the field for - ev - er.
the word can fell him.
dom ours re - main eth.

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Sermon

The Rev. Marshal Frisque

Following the Sermon, the Pastor Prays:

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C** Amen.

Stand

Nicene Creed

- C** I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and
the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

(P: Lord, in Your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.)

Our Offerings to God

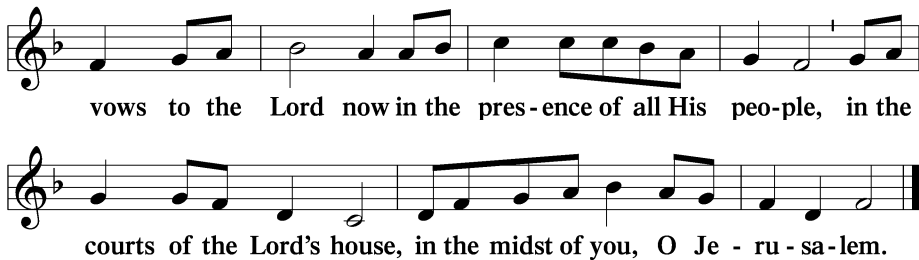
*(Please place your offering envelope in the collection plates at the entrance to the Sanctuary,
thank you!)*

Stand

Offertory

LSB 159

Q What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



Our Communion Statement

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 of all sin, 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.

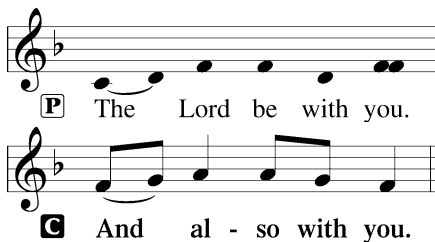
Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with Pastor Frisque. All are welcome to come forward for a blessing from Pastor by placing your arms in an "X" across your chest.

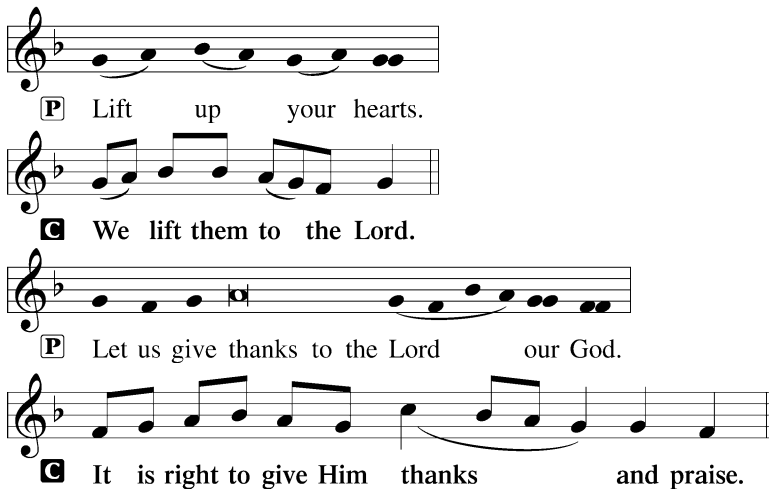
For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface

LSB 160





P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

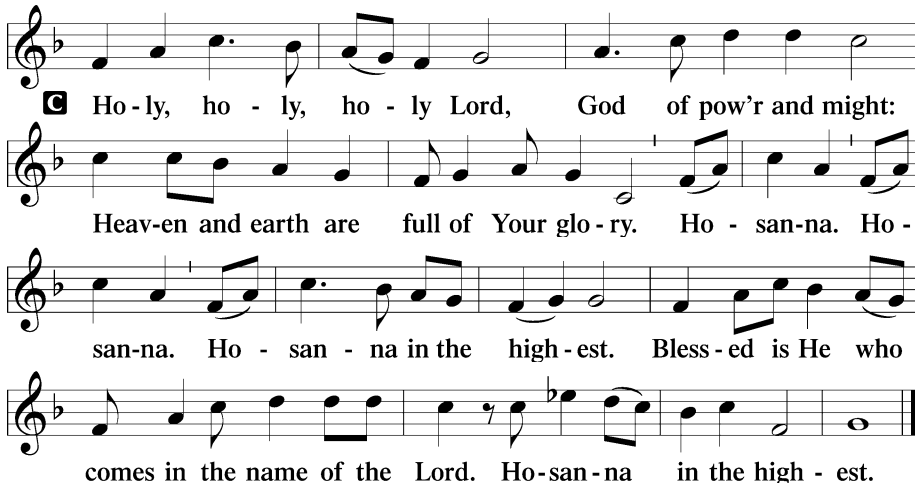
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 161



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

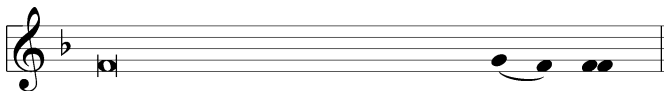
- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 163



- P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



- C** A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 163

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

Distribution

HYMN: "Amazing Grace"

LSB 744

1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright
saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and
have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me
mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall
shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to
now am found, Was blind but now I see!
por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.
then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.
sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

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HYMN: "In Adam We Have All Been One"

LSB 569



1 In Ad - am we have all been one, One huge re - bel-lious man;
 2 We fled Thee, and in los - ing Thee We lost our broth - er too;
 3 But Thy strong love, it sought us still And sent Thine on - ly Son
 4 O Thou who, when we loved Thee not, Didst love and save us all,



We all have fled that eve - ning voice That sought us as we ran.
 Each sin - gly sought and claimed his own; Each man his broth - er slew.
 That we might hear His Shep - herd's voice And, hear - ing Him, be one.
 Thou great Good Shep - herd of man - kind, O hear us when we call.

5 Send us Thy Spirit, teach us truth;
 Thou Son, O set us free
 From fancied wisdom, self-sought ways,
 To make us one in Thee.

△ 6 Then shall our song united rise
 To Thine eternal throne,
 Where with the Father evermore
 And Spirit Thou art one.

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HYMN: "All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall"

LSB 562



1 All man - kind fell in Ad - am's fall; One com - mon
 2 Through all our pow'rs cor - rup - tion creeps And us in
 3 From hearts de - praved, to e - vil prone, Flow thoughts and
 4 But Christ, the sec - ond Ad - am, came To bear our



sin in - fects us all. From one to all the
 dread - ful bond - age keeps; In guilt we draw our
 deeds of sin a - lone; God's im - age lost, the
 sin and woe and shame, To be our life, our



curse de - scends, And o - ver all God's wrath im - pends.
 in - fant breath And reap its fruits of woe and death.
 dark - ened soul Seeks not nor finds its heav'n - ly goal.
 light, our way, Our on - ly hope, our on - ly stay.

- 5 As by one man all mankind fell
And, born in sin, was doomed to hell,
So by one Man, who took our place,
We all were justified by grace.
- 6 We thank You, Christ; new life is ours,
New light, new hope, new strength, new pow'rs.
This grace our ev'ry way attend
Until we reach our journey's end.

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Stand

Thank the Lord

LSB 164

G Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'-ry-one what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.

He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy

with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us
through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You
would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in
fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our
Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and forever.

G A - men.

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

HYMN: "Glory Be to God the Father"

LSB 506



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each
3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the
4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of
God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,
Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;
an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!
Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,
Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,
Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,
glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!
glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!
glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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Elders:

Wes Block – 8 a.m.
Brandon Reel – 10:30 a.m.

Altar Committee:

Karen Ravn & Sandi Thiel

Finance Team:

Parchim & Hempelman

Flower Committee:

Dorothy Parchim

Usher Team: #4

Ron Parchim

++Masks are advised at all

Worship Gatherings++

TODAY (10/25)

Reformation Day

Divine Service (HC) – 8 & 10:30 AM

SS & Bible Study – 9:15 AM

Bd. Of Ed. meets after 10:30

MONDAY (10/26)

Annual Voter's Budget Meeting @ 7PM

WEDNESDAY (10/28)

Youth/Conf. Group @ 5 – 6:30 PM

Vespers (HC) – 7 PM

THURSDAY (10/29)

Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ 6:15 AM – 7:15 AM

(Fredonia Family Restaurant)

NEXT SUNDAY (11/01)

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Divine Service (HC) – 8 & 10:30 AM

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Dan Paavola

SS & Bible Study – 9:15 AM

Trustees meet between services

NEXT Wednesday (11/04)

UGT 1st meeting

Confirmation/Youth Night @ 5 – 6:30 PM

Vespers (HC) – 7 PM

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† † Please remember in your prayers:

Rose Bottesi, Dennis Bottesi, Tracey Leffin-Hedrick, Cheri Oberst (cousin of Melissa Kultgen), Tony Schommer (brother of Wendy Grant), Guy Wenzel (Kathy Wenzel's brother-in-law), Sue Ahrens (sister of Carole Boehlke), Bill

Parnitzke, Lorraine Lange, Erica Thiel (niece of Bob & Sandi Thiel), Parker Nordby (grandson of Corine Nordby), and Tom Paulus.



***Please pick up any of your dishes that were left in the pie room or kitchen. UGT needs an open space to work in. Thank You!**



Monday, October 26, 2020 @ 7:00 PM



We need your trunk!!!

St. John Lutheran Church/Preschool will be hosting a community trunk or treat here in our church parking lot from **1:00 - 3:00 PM on Oct. 31st**. We are in need of families to participate with their decorated trunks. If you are able to participate, please sign up **today** in the Narthex. Bring your friends, neighbors, and family members for a fantastic fellowship time! Lots of candy and crafts will be available!



Ham-less Ham Dinner Fundraiser!

After much discussion and prayer, the Elder's have decided that it will not be possible to host a sit-down or drive thru style Ham Dinner. Together, with Pastor and our Congregational Chairman, the decision to go forward with a fundraiser still made sense. We find ourselves here in Fredonia rather unscathed by recent events - Pandemic, as well as Natural Disasters. Many of our brothers and sisters in Missouri-Synod congregations around the country are reeling after fires, winds, and hurricanes. **We**

would like to ask you to consider donating to the fundraiser what you would have spent on Ham Dinner tickets, or a little extra, to be sent to our LCMS Disaster Response folks who are working hard to get needed aid to these communities. Pre-marked envelopes are available in the back. If you have questions, please see the additional bulletin insert from LCMS Disaster Response, or talk with Pastor Frisque. THANK YOU for your support and donation!

LAST WEEK

SWD Teacher of the Year Program

You can nominate **Directors and Early Childhood Teachers in Freestanding Preschools** through the SWD website swd.lcms.org/ministries/schools/educator-year until November 1. To be eligible to compete for this program, teachers must be nominated by students, parents, other teachers, community members, or administrators. Because the program's purpose is to recognize the contributions of Wisconsin classroom teachers, staff members whose assignments are administrative or supervisory are not eligible. All PreK-12 classroom teachers who plan to continue teaching in their current capacity for a minimum of 50% full time equivalency during the 2021-2022 school year are eligible to be considered for the 2021 Teacher of the Year Program. Preschool teachers must teach in a Pre-K program that is NOT affiliated with an elementary school. Previous fellowship recipients are ineligible, however previous fellowship applicants who did not receive a fellowship may re-apply if nominated. Nominations must be submitted by **Sunday, November 1.**

Automatic Giving

Thank you for your financial support to St. John! When you return to God a portion of what He has given you, it blesses our congregation to continue doing ministry to our members as well

as to our community! That said, are you looking for a way to give your tithe or offering in an automated way? Through the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF), we have access to a product called "Joyful Response" which allows you to sign up for automated giving directly from your Checking Account. This can be set up in a variety of giving options from frequency to amount. You can change either of those online at your convenience. If you'd like more information, please see Pastor Frisque or email the church office for a registration form at secretary.stjohnfredonia@gmail.com.

Gift Cards for Seminary Students

It's that time again when we gather gift cards to nationwide retailers, restaurants, and gas stations to send off to Concordia Theological Seminary to bless the students and their families. As they enter the holiday season desiring to give Christmas gifts to their children and family, this is one way we are able to help them because they are not financially able to do so with no major source of work income. Please consider dropping off some gift cards in the offering basket or to the church office no later than Sunday, November 22nd, 2020 so that we can get them to the students by the 1st of December! Thank you for your continued generosity to our future Church Workers and their families!

The Red Cross Thanks You



Thank you, Pastor Frisque and your congregation for making Tuesday's blood drive possible! We collected 44 units of blood! That is 8 more than last year! Your blood drive will help save an estimate of 132 lives. This comes as such great news to the hospitals, patients, and families we serve as there is a critical need for all blood types during this epidemic time and as we are heading into the holidays. Each donor is an everyday hero to someone they will never meet. What a true blessing it is to give the gift of life to others.



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