

# St. John's Lutheran Church

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**October 13, 2019**

**8:30 WORSHIP SERVICE**



St. John's Lutheran Church is part of the North American Lutheran Church. We welcome you and are glad you are participating in the Service of the Word this morning as we celebrate **The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**. Please register your attendance in the blue pad at the end of the pew. **HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated the first and third Sundays of each month and on Festival Sundays. All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.

*Prayer upon entering God's House:*

*Lord, as we join brothers and sisters in praying 'give us this day our daily bread,' help us to feed on Your Word and be clothed in Your righteousness so that whether in this world or the next, we will be at home with You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

**PRELUDE****SEE INSERT****\*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** We worship this day in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen**

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God.

*Silence for self-examination.*

**P** Holy and gracious God,

**C** **I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness.**

**P** The Almighty and Merciful Lord grants you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen**

**OPENING HYMN****SEE INSERT****\*GREETING**

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** **And also with you.**

**\*DIALOG**

**P:** Holy is the Lord, the Almighty,

**C: He was, He is, and He is to come.**

**P:** He is worthy of glory and honor and praise.

**C: He created all thing. By His will they came to be.**

**P:** Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain;

**C: Worthy to take the scroll and break its seals.**

**P:** By His blood He purchased for God.

**C: people of every race and tongue, of every folk and nation.**

**P:** Christ made of them a kingdom.

**C: and priests to serve our God.**

**P:** And they shall reign on earth forever.

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P:** The Lord be with you,

**C: And also with you,**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, source of every blessing, Your generous goodness comes to us anew every day. By the work of Your Holy Spirit lead us to acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

**FIRST LESSON:**

**2 KINGS 5:1–3, 7–15C**

**A** The First Lesson is from the fifth chapter of Second Kings.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the LORD had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper.

<sup>2</sup> Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little girl from the land of Israel, and she worked in the service of Naaman's wife.

<sup>3</sup> She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

<sup>7</sup> And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup> But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup> So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stood at the door of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup> And Elisha sent a messenger to

him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup> But Naaman was angry and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper. <sup>12</sup> Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup> But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup> So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

<sup>15</sup> Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and he came and stood before him. And he said, "Behold, I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel; so accept now a present from your servant."

**A** Here ends the reading.

**PSALM:**

**Psalm 111**

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

**<sup>2</sup>Great are the deeds of the LORD!**

**They are studied by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup>His work is full of majesty and splendor,  
and his righteousness endures forever.

**<sup>4</sup>He makes his marvelous works to be remembered;  
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>He gives food to those who fear him;  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

**<sup>6</sup>He has shown his people the power of his works  
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice;  
all his commandments are sure.

**<sup>8</sup>They stand fast forever and ever,  
because they are done in truth and equity.**

<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people;  
he commanded his covenant forever;  
holy and awesome is his name.

**<sup>10</sup>The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
those who act accordingly have a good understanding.  
His praise endures forever.**

## SECOND LESSON:

## 2 TIMOTHY 2:8–15

**A** The Second Lesson is from the second chapter of second Timothy.

<sup>8</sup> Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, <sup>9</sup> for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! <sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup> The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

<sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he also will deny us;

<sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup> Remind them of these things, and charge them before God not to quarrel about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers.

<sup>15</sup> Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

**A** Here ends the reading.

**P** Alleluia

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

## GOSPEL:

## Luke 17:11–19

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the seventeenth chapter.

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

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” <sup>14</sup> When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup> and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup> Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup> And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

**SEE INSERT**

**SERMON**

**\*NICENE CREED**

**C** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

**\*THE PRAYERS**

As God's beloved children, let us pray that the light of Christ shine on the nations, the church, and all those in need.

For all the people of God, that we may walk in Your ways and observe Your commandments.

Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**

*(Other intercessions are offered.)*

**P** Into Your hands, O LORD, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ our LORD.

**C** Amen

**\*SHARING THE PEACE**

**ANTHEM**

**SEE INSERT**

**OFFERING**

**\*OFFERTORY**

P: The Lord be with you

**C: And also with you**

P: Lift up your hearts

**C: We lift them up to the Lord**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**C: it is right to give Him thanks and praise**

**\*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER IV**

**P** We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end of the ages to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will. He is your Word, inseparable from you. Through him you created all things, and in him you take delight. He is your Word, sent from heaven to a virgin's womb. He there took on our nature and our lot and was shown forth as your Son, born of the Holy Spirit and of the virgin Mary. It is he, our Lord Jesus, who fulfilled all your will and won for you a holy people; he stretched out his hands in suffering in order to free from suffering those who trust you.

It is he who, handed over to a death he freely accepted, in order to destroy death, to break the bonds of the evil one, to crush hell underfoot, to give light to the righteous, to establish his covenant, and to show forth the resurrection, taking bread and giving thanks to you, said:

Take and eat; this is my body, broken for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

In the same way he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This is my blood poured out for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, then, his death and resurrection, we lift this bread and cup before you, giving you thanks that you have made us worthy to stand before you and to serve you as your priestly people.

And we ask you:

Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your Church;  
gather into one all who share this bread and wine;  
fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth,  
that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ.

Through him all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church both now and forever.

**C Amen**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.



**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, grant us peace.

*All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present  
in the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.*

**Communion**

Communion Hymn: **SEE INSERT**

**\*P:** The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ strengthen  
and keep you in His grace, unto eternal life.

**\*C:** Amen.

**\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**\*A:** Pour out the Spirit of Your Love, Oh Lord,  
and unite the wills of those You have fed with one heavenly food;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**\*C:** Amen.

**\*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.  
In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**CLOSING HYMN**

**SEE INSERT**

**\*DISMISSAL**

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

**SEE INSERT**

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# Welcome!

**Please Welcome Bishop Dan Selbo this weekend:**

Married for 33 years. He and his wife, Mary have been blessed with four children and just recently with two grandchildren. Bishop Selbo graduated from San Jose State University in 1982 with a B.A. in Religious Studies. He received his Masters of Divinity in 1986 from Luther Seminary, and earned a Doctorate of Ministry in Biblical Preaching in 2013, also from Luther Seminary. He enjoys golfing, fishing, working in the yard and spending time with family and friends.

**Harvest Home Sunday is – NEXT Sunday, October 20!**

Donations of non-perishable food items or monetary donations are being collected September through October 20 and may be placed in the church narthex or on the table in the gathering area. Monetary donations should be marked on your offering envelopes "Food Bank". All food will be given to the Kittanning Food Bank. There is GREAT need in our community and this is a wonderful way to share God's love by giving to our local food bank to help our neighbors in need. *PLEASE NOTE: Home-canned goods cannot be distributed through the Food Bank.*



**Donations Needed!**

Looking for donations of gourds & pumpkins, for Harvest Home decorating. Please call the office to donate. Harvest Home is Sunday, October 20.

# Reformation Sunday



On Sunday October 27th following worship we will eat, drink and play games! This year it's for everyone from one to one hundred two. Bring your appetite for Reformation (Octoberfest) food and get ready to frolick the day away. Activities for everyone will abound. This year the food responsibilities will be divvied up alphabetically by last name:

A-G Drinks

H-M Entrees

N-T Side dishes or salads

U-Z Desserts

Be sure to wear RED on Sunday, October 27!

## **BEN HUR Book Discussion Group**

You've seen the movie, now read the book! BEN HUR isn't just a story of revenge, naval battles and chariot races, but is rather a timeless, classic tale of the Christ, love, and redemption. Be part of the fun as we discuss the novel, sharing the trials, tribulations and ultimate joys of Judah Ben Hur.

We'll meet the **SECOND Tuesday** each month beginning November 12. Please contact the office by phone (724-548-2051) or email (stjohnskittanning@gmail.com) as soon as possible so we'll be sure to have enough copies. Yes, it's a long book, but we've done longer (PILLARS OF THE EARTH comes to mind).

*You'll be glad you joined the group.*

*Did we say there'll be snacks?*

## **FAITH GIRLZ**

**BEAUTY STUDIO EVENT 6-7PM**

**TUESDAY OCT. 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**NAIL PAINTING. HAIRSTYLES.**

**SPA FUN AND MORE**



## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

|                        |                  |                                       |
|------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>TODAY</b>           | 8:30 a.m.        | Worship: Communion                    |
|                        | 9:45 a.m.        | Sunday School                         |
|                        | 10:30 a.m.       | Senior Choir                          |
|                        | 11:00 a.m.       | Worship                               |
|                        | 5:00 p.m.        | Ladies Bible Study                    |
| <b>Monday 10/14</b>    | 11:00 a.m.       | Youth Event                           |
|                        | 7:30 p.m.        | Fireflies                             |
| <b>Tuesday 10/15</b>   | 6:00 p.m.        | Faith Girlz                           |
| <b>Wednesday 10/16</b> | 9:30 a.m.        | Children's Hour                       |
|                        | 6:00 p.m.        | New Bell Practice                     |
|                        | 6:30 p.m.        | Senior Bells                          |
|                        | 8:00 p.m.        | Senior Choir Practice                 |
| <b>Thursday 10/17</b>  | 9:30 a.m.        | Children's Hour                       |
|                        | 2:45/7 p.m.      | Catechism                             |
| <b>Friday 10/14</b>    | <b>3:00 p.m.</b> | <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>            |
|                        | 7:00 p.m.        | Fireflies                             |
| <b>Sunday 10/20</b>    | 8:30 a.m.        | Parents @ Dunkin Donuts               |
|                        | 9:45 a.m.        | Sunday School                         |
|                        | 10:30 a.m.       | Senior Choir                          |
|                        | 11:00 a.m.       | Worship                               |
|                        | 5:00 p.m.        | Ladies Bible Study                    |
|                        |                  | Youth Trip – Parents will be notified |

### No School on October 14th

Sleep in.... Stop down... win prizes... EAT  
Hang out, play video games, watch movies  
GaGa Ball, Lunch, Uno Tournament, Snacks

# Chillax

6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade

11am-3pm

Early arrival available, if needed

Youth Event

## SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

|                    |                                  |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| Assisting Minister | Carol Boarts (E)                 |
|                    | Nancy Pierce (L)                 |
| Lector             | Julie Smith (E)                  |
|                    | Deb Bouch (L)                    |
| Comm. Assistants   | Carol Boarts (E)                 |
| Acolyte            | Robert John (E)                  |
|                    | Mollie Bouch (L)                 |
| Greeters           | Linda Charley, Betsy Furlong (L) |
| Ushers             | Alice Stitt, Keith Livengood     |
|                    | John Swanson, Brock Hodak        |
| Camera Operator    | Jeff Boarts (E)                  |
|                    | Bill Bouch (L)                   |

## STAFF MEMBERS

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Assistant to the Pastor                   | Nancy Cerutti    |
| Director of Children's & Youth Ministry   | Julie Smith      |
| Secretary                                 | Tricia Howard    |
| Sexton                                    | Michael Craft    |
| Organist/Choir Director/Director of Music | Rebecca Veith    |
| Sr. Choir Accompanist                     | Elizabeth Cramer |



**The flowers on the altar** this morning are presented to the Glory of God and in celebration of Christine Schall's 102nd birthday by Mary & Blair Dawson.

## OUR MISSION

St. John's Lutheran Church is a group of people who believe that we are saved by God's grace and who respond to God's love by joyfully serving God, each other, our community and our world. We will humbly and lovingly serve by proclaiming the Gospel, teaching the Word, offering Sacraments, leading others to fellowship, supporting those in need, giving generously of our talents as well as our resources and by thanking and praising God.