

**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran  
Church & School**



**Preacher:** Pr. Matthew Moss  
**Liturgist:** Pr. Matthew Johnson  
**Kantor:** Dr. Crystal Rossow

**Thanks to all who serve this week:**

**Altar Guild:** Beth Giefer and LeAnn Cummins

**Worship Assistants:**

8:00 am: Tom Eversman  
10:30 am: Jack Wold

**Acolytes:**

8:00 am: Jada Clifford & Leah Gordon  
10:30 am: Joey Heisler & Madeline Babatz

**Ushers:**

8:00 am: Dan Kolander, Floyd Lieske,  
Mike McFerrin, Rich Oakland  
10:30 am: Dave Giefer, Ed Kemna,  
David Kliche

**Money Counters:**

Duane Abraham, Jon Bode,  
Mark Radintz, *Craig Schutte*

**The Holy Gospel: John 15:26–16:4**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> chapters.

**C: [sung] Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>26</sup>“But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me.  
<sup>27</sup>And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>16</sup>“I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. <sup>2</sup>They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. <sup>3</sup>And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. <sup>4</sup>But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: [sung] Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Hymn of the Day:** *Christ Is the World's Redeemer* **LSB 539**

**Sermon:** “*Boldly Believing the Divine & Human Witness*” (Jn 15:26-16:4)

**The Nicene Creed & Prayer of the Church** p. 158

**Offering:** Come Down, O Love Divine (Wilbur Held)

**Offertory:** *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* **LSB 955**

**The Service of the Sacrament of the Altar** **page 160-166**

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**Distribution Hymn:** *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* **LSB 465**

**Distribution Hymn:** *All the Earth with Joy Is Sounding* **LSB 462**

**Canticle:** *Thank the Lord* p. 164

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**The Rite of Farewell & Godspeed for a Retiring Teacher**

**Benediction** p. 166

**Closing Hymn:** *Come Down, O Love Divine* **LSB 501**

**Postlude:** Christ Is the World's Redeemer (Mark Bender)

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† The Seventh Sunday of Easter - Exaudi †

June 2, 2019

Pre-Service Verse, Prayer, and Music for Personal Preparation and Reflection

**Verse:** Alleluia. God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne. Alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans; I am going away, and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice. Alleluia. (Ps. 47:8; John 14:18a, 28; 16:22b)

**Prayer:** O risen Lord, strengthen Your apostolic Church with Your Word and Spirit so that we may be steadfast in the face of worldly opposition. Amen.

**Prelude:** Introduction and Toccata in G (William Walond)

The Divine Service

**Opening Hymn:** Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven LSB 477

**Confession & Absolution** p. 151  
*The Baptism of James Rudolph Edgar Honsey (10:30 A.M.)* p. 268

**Introit** Ps. 27:1, 11a, 12; antiphon: Ps. 27:7a, 8b, 9a  
 Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; Alle- | luia. \*

Your face, LORD do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- | luia.

**The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear? \***

**The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?**

**Teach me your way, | O LORD, \***

**Give me not up to the will of my adver- | saries;**  
**for false witnesses have risen a- | gainst me, \***  
**and they breathe out | violence.**

**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.**

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; Alle- | luia. \*

Your face, LORD do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- | luia.

**Kyrie** p. 152

**The Hymn of Praise** *This is the Feast* p. 155

**Salutation** p. 156

**Collect of the Day**

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 36:22-28**

<sup>22</sup>“Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. <sup>23</sup> And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. <sup>24</sup> I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. <sup>25</sup> I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. <sup>26</sup> And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. <sup>28</sup> You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*The Gradual is omitted for Eastertide*

**The Epistle: 1 Peter 4:7-11**

<sup>7</sup> The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. <sup>8</sup> Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. <sup>9</sup> Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup> As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: <sup>11</sup> whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia Verse** p. 156

*[Service Note: The Procession for the Holy Gospel, a symbolic act celebrating the Incarnation, “the Word became flesh and dwelt among us (Jn. 1)”, has been observed among us from Christmas through Ascension. That is the half of the Church Year known as “The Time of Christ.” Now we enter “The Time of the Church”, post-Ascension, receiving the Spirit at Pentecost, and listening to the Apostolic teaching of all that Christ did and taught. Thus, the Holy Gospel is again read from the Lectern until the culmination of all time when Christ visibly returns in glory- observed on the Last Sunday of the Church Year.]*

† The Seventh Sunday of Easter †

- Since the Lord's Supper is testimony of our unity in the faith, the Sacrament is reserved for members in good standing of congregations of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.
- Visitors from sister LCMS congregations who agree with our doctrine and practice should announce your desire to commune to a pastor before joining us at the Lord's Table.
- Members may prepare by reading Luther's "Questions & Answers for those who intend to go to the Sacrament" (LSB 329-330).

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**This Week at St. John's Lutheran**

<b>TODAY</b>	8:00 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	9:30 am:	Bible Study
	9:30 am:	Acolyte Training
	10:30 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
<b>MON:</b>		Pastor Johnson Day Off
	7:00 pm:	Summer Evening Divine Service
<b>TUES:</b>	9:00 am:	Adult Bible Study
	6:00 pm:	Gala Committee Meeting
<b>WED:</b>		Pastor Moss Vacation
<b>THUR:</b>		Pastor Moss Vacation
<b>FRI:</b>		Pastor Moss Vacation
<b>SAT:</b>		Pastor Moss Vacation
<b>SUN:</b>		<b>Pentecost;</b> Pr. Johnson Out-of-Town Study
	8:00 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	9:30 am:	Bible Study
	10:30 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper

**Those Serving This Week, Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>:**

Worship Assistant:	7:00 pm:
Acolyte:	7:00 pm:

**Those Serving Next Week, Pentecost, Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>:**

Altar Guild:		Beth Giefer and LeAnn Cummins
Worship Assistants:	8:00 am:	Erik Preus
	10:30 am:	Ross Meyer
Acolytes:	8:00 am:	Jeremy Kappel & Zach Kappel
	10:30 am:	Ava Kanz & Bella Kanz
Ushers:	8:00 am:	Dan Kolander, Floyd Lieske, Mike McFerrin, Rich Oakland
	10:30 am:	Dave Giefer, Ed Kemna, David Kliche
Money Counters:		Scott Brockberg, <i>Scott Kulberg</i> , Courtney Oakland, Deb Weinand

**Those Serving Next Week, Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>:**

Worship Assistant:	7:00 pm:
Acolyte:	7:00 pm:

**† The Seventh Sunday of Easter †**

**June 2, 2019**

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort**—Rick Bymark (wife Jackie, son Hank), Lynn Slauson, Pam Linton (daughter of LaVerne & Arlene Bagne), Robert Malwitz, Alvin Cook, Diann Bates (mother of Toya Fish), Ilene Shepherd, Brigitte Miest, Raelene Fairchild, Diane Lawrence, Bob Abraham, Ed Kemna, Carol Eastbourne, and Rev. Dr. Herbert Mueller (vice-president of the LCMS). Our Lord Jesus, who reached out to heal and comfort the sick and dying, continues to reach out with His healing Word through us. Cards, phone calls, and prayers are always appreciated. If you know of someone who is sick or hospitalized, please inform your pastors.

**Our homebound members** are Linda Bredenber, Alvin Cook, Dorothy Cooper, Sue Erickson, Marlys Johnson, Inez Koehler, Steve Orbin, Gerald Oswald, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, Betty Schmiede, and Ilene Shepherd.

**All those serving in our Armed Forces**—Agena Christophersen (Belgium), Nicholas Malikowski (California), Kevin Mazurowski (Idaho), Nathan Mazurowski (Arizona), Isak Preus (Virginia), Brian and Veronica Pruhs (Germany), Joseph Radintz (home), and Danny Schilling (South Carolina).

**Those who have lost loved ones during the past year**—Kathleen Cooper & family (at the loss of her father John Giguere), the family of Ron Conley, Steve Orbin & family (at the loss of his mother Vonnie), Russ Reznecheck & family (at the loss of his mother Doris), Mark Franz & family (at the loss of his mother Joyce), Beth Giefer & family (at the loss of her father Lyle Boyd), Dick Rau & family (at the loss of his sister Helen Kalthoff), Dorothy Cooper & family (at the loss of her sister Millie Schumacker), Kristine Eversman & family (at the loss of her father Richard Wild), the family of Vivian Schutte, and the family of Bruce O'Hern.

**And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones**—the family of Audrey Bauermeister, Rick Foggia & family (at the loss of his mother Virginia), and Shirley Holthus & family (at the loss of her sister, Sharon Berndt).

**THIS WEEK:** The congregations in our circuit are praying for Beautiful Savior Lutheran, Plymouth, and Pastor Tom Stoebig and Pastor Joe Behnke.

**PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL:** This week we pray for Deacon Chairman Chris Kruse and Deacon Secretary Joel Johnson, and also for Teachers Maria (Pre-K) and Jeremy (2nd) Koosman.

**THE SERVICE OF INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** is available by individual appointment through the summer. Take advantage of this opportunity to hear God's Word of forgiveness spoken to you individually in Jesus' Name. "If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

**FROM THE PASTORS:**

**SPECIAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:** *no special feast days this week.*



**SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY:** Lutherans are “The Singing Church” and truly our hymns are filled with the mighty wonders God has done. During the summer of 2019 we will spend the Bible study hour discussing the Hymn of the Day for each week. Children are welcome and encouraged to join us so they too can learn the music, the text, and the message of Christ beautifully proclaimed in these hymns of ours.

**June 2- *Christ Is the World’s Redeemer*** by St. Columba (LSB 539)

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY:** This week we finish 1st John. It’s two main themes are (1) We are in the world, not of it; and (2) We are in Him who first loved us. Join us Tuesday in the Fellowship Hall at **9:00** am. You can also watch live online using Facebook Live; just go to St. John’s Facebook page.



**BAPTIZED IN THE PAST YEAR:** The Risen Lord Jesus commanded that His disciples, eyewitnesses of His resurrection and “ear-witnesses” of His teaching over three years and now following His own resurrection, were to go into all the world and make disciples of all nations by baptizing in the Triune Name of God and teaching the baptized all things He had commanded and given. Please pray for those baptized at St. John’s since last Easter: Elise Alvarez, IslaRose Baltés, Penelope Burnes, John Costello, Moriah Hill, Lydia Howey, Owen Kaiser, Castle Kemna, Clarke Kent, Thor Lofquist, **Amy Mazurowski, Tyler Philipp, and Bridger Swanson.**



**BAPTIZED** during this morning’s 10:30 am Divine Service is James Rudolph Edgar Honsey, infant son of Andrew and Diana Honsey. May our Lord Jesus bless James as he is nourished in the faith by his parents so that he may join us at the foretaste of the wedding feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom. “May this child, Your mercy sharing, in Your arms be shielded ever, Yours on earth and Yours forever . . . Write the name we now have given; write it in the book of heaven” (LSB 592).



**MONDAY EVENING DIVINE SERVICES** will resume this summer, beginning **TOMORROW**, Monday, June 3 at 7:00 p.m. These will continue to be offered each week throughout June, July, and August. Please encourage your friends and family who work on Sunday mornings or travel on the weekends to make use of this additional opportunity to hear God’s Word and receive His gifts.



**LCMS NATIONAL OFFERING FOR 2019-2021:** Next Sunday, June 9, 2019 (Pentecost) St. John’s will take a special door offering that will go towards the mission initiatives identified for the Synod’s next triennium. Over the next three years, the National “Joy to the World” Offering will turn your prayers and offerings into witnessing among new immigrants, reaching out and strengthening the faith of college students, empowering the missionaries of our partner churches, carrying the Gospel into spiritually abandoned urban areas, planting new churches in strategic locations both here and abroad, and more. Individual pamphlets and envelopes from the Synod will also be available if you wish to send a gift directly during the next triennium.



**FROM THE SECRETARIES:**

**EACH QUARTER:** FIVE COPIES OF LARGE PRINT PORTALS OF PRAYER will be available to share with those who need this magazine in larger print.

“**LUTHERAN HOUR**” this week on WCCO 830 AM at 6:00 a.m., WWJO 98.1 FM at 7:30 a.m., and KRWC AM Buffalo at 9:30 a.m.

**SCHEDULING CHURCH AND SCHOOL EVENTS AT ST. JOHN’S:**

Please remember to check with the church/school secretary about scheduling any event; all church and school events need to be coordinated through this main calendar. Thank you! 763-420-2426 Julie A.: secretary@stjlutheran.org

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Items received by midnight Wednesday will be included in the Sunday bulletin. Kindly please submit your request timely to ensure your announcement gets published as needed. Ruth D.: secretary2@stjlutheran.org



**BIRTHDAYS THE WEEK OF  
June 2 – June 8**

SUNDAY	THURSDAY
Pat Ellinger	Andrew Fritz Melvin Haag Lydia Howey Josef Johnson William Schutte A.J. Volberding
MONDAY	FRIDAY
Alexander Paguio	Gerald Blanck Alexis Brastad Olivia Brastad Alvin Cook Marcy Dalchow Beth Giefer Lyndsay Jackson Heather Larson Karen Pollock
TUESDAY	SATURDAY
Collin Day Ed Kemna Kristina Kothrade Daniel Lallak Erin Oakland Katie Picotte	Georgia Haver Dan Holthus
WEDNESDAY	
Kaylyn Robinson	

If you notice an update is needed, kindly advise the church secretary to make sure we have the correct information to publish.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION (Stu Glock, Dan Kolander):



**JOB OPENING:** St. John's Lutheran School is looking to hire an Extended School Program Director! ESP is a critical component of our school, and the director serves as a key leader working with our students, parents, faculty, and staff. If you or someone you know is interested in exploring the position, simply go to <https://tinyurl.com/StJohnsJobs> and apply by June 15th. If you have any questions about the position or your application, contact [Suzanne.Haag@stjlutheran.org](mailto:Suzanne.Haag@stjlutheran.org).



**RETIREMENT:** Please join us in celebrating our kindergarten teacher, Sue Schutte, and her years of service at a cake reception after the 1st church service. Thank you, Mrs. Schutte!

## BOARD OF PROPERTY & GROUNDS (Kevin Pomeranke, Dan Holthus):

**CONCRETE WORK:** The concrete on the main lower level entrance is in need of repair. Please let us know if anyone has the expertise to help with this project.



**WHITE BOARDS:** We received free of charge over 20 white boards from another school. We need assistance mounting several of these around the school. Please let us know if you can help with this work.

**ROOF CAPITAL CAMPAIGN SUCCESS:** Thanks to the amazing generosity of our church members, school families and friends, we quickly reached our goal and raised over \$90,000 to replace phase I of our roof! To God be all the glory! Now together, under this roof, we will continue to study the Word, find joy in students learning, and live as God's family. Thank you!

## FROM OTHER CONGREGATIONS:

**CALLING ACTORS:** Mayer CAST (Community Arts/Summer Theatre) is a Christian community theatre operating out of Mayer Lutheran High School (MLHS) in Mayer, MN. CAST is producing Mary Poppins this summer, and invites actors of all ages to audition. Auditions will be held June 8 & 9 at MLHS, and performance dates are July 25-28. More information about auditions and a link to the online audition sign-up form are available by visiting [mayercast.org](http://mayercast.org).



**THANK YOU FROM KENYA:** Dear Members of St. John's Lutheran Church, Receive warm greetings from Neema Lutheran seminary in Kenya. Firstly, we would like to thank you very much for allowing Rev. Briel and Katy to come and serve in our seminary for one semester. It was a blessing to have them with us and we will miss them. Secondly, we want to thank you very much for the generous donations toward the purchase and shipping of Hebrew Bibles for our students. We appreciate your love. May the Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, keep you steadfast in the one true faith in Christ Jesus. In Christ, Dr. Tom Omolo, Principal, Dept. Theology, Neema Lutheran College, PO Box 45 Sondu-Kenya 40109

## BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP, EVANGELISM, WORSHIP, and ALTAR CARE (Mark Ellinger, Phil Schutte):



**CROSS...FOOD NEEDS:** Each month CROSS collects food items to be donated to the needy. Items desired from STJL during the month of **JUNE** are: Kid Treats/Popcorn and Stew. Thank you for helping when you can; your contributions placed in the narthex area are greatly appreciated.



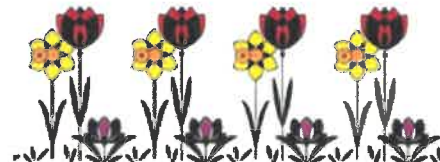
**THANK YOU MUSICIANS!** You are a blessing to St. John's: school and Sunday school choirs, youth, adults, brass, pianists, organists, and instrumentalists. The talents you freely share with our congregation are a joy and a delight to all of us.

**USHERS NEEDED:** We are in need of additional ushers, especially for the 10:30 service. If you are interested in becoming an usher, please contact Julie Mazurowski at 763-519-1160 or [julie.mazurowski@gmail.com](mailto:julie.mazurowski@gmail.com).



**LUTHERAN WITNESS:** If you would like to get the monthly Lutheran Witness magazine, please sign up with the Usher or fill out a form at the narthex table. A magazine will be placed in the church mailbox for each family that signs up.

**2019 MISSION PROGRAMS:** St. John's currently supports the following mission programs: Synod, Issues, Etc., Japan/Jastrom, Lutherans for Life, and Nigeria/Wokoma. (These are the same programs designated in 2018.) Other or undesignated mission program contributions will be divided between all of the currently-supported mission options except Issues, Etc., which has a fixed annual contribution limit set by the Board of Stewardship.



Please lock all doors before leaving this building.  
If you unlock to enter, please lock as you leave!

**BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION (Tom Eversman, Mike Gaffer):**

Reminders concerning weekly offerings/contributions:

Offerings received through weekly offering envelopes without contribution designations on the face of the envelope will be dicted to the General Fund, to pay the ongoing expenses of the Church and School.



**Ways to Give ~~**

**In Person...**

Place checks or cash in an offering envelope and drop it in the offering plate as it goes by.



**Text...** St. John's New "Text to Give" # 763-225-2689

Set up a one time or recurring donation by texting the amount you wish to give. \*\*\*



**Giving App...**

Download the 'GivePlus Church' app to set up one-time or recurring donations. You can also manage and view your giving from the convenience of your smartphone! \*\*\*



**Online...**

Visit [www.stjlutheran.org](http://www.stjlutheran.org) to set up and manage your one-time and recurring gifts. \*\*\*



\*\*\*you can use the printed "I Give Electronically" cards to place in the offering plate during services.

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK** Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>~ CT: 243 CM: 181

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

*Last Week*  
05/26/19

*Year-to-date*  
since 07/01/18

Total General Fund Receipts-All Sources	\$ 16,392	\$ 1,367,099
Amount Needed	\$ 25,823	\$ 1,528,394
Amount Ahead (Behind)	\$ (9,432)	\$ (161,295)
% Ahead (-Behind)		-11%



Current Building Mortgage Balance (May 31) \$514,803

**Important Notes:**

Amount Needed above includes the prior years' cumulative deficit of \$131,500 at June 30, 2018, plus the pro-rated portion of the \$53,217 Congregation-approved deficit for the current budget year beginning July 1, 2018.

Please contact Board of Admin Deacons Mike Gaffer ([mtgaff@comcast.net](mailto:mtgaff@comcast.net)) or Tom Eversman ([Theversman@gmail.com](mailto:Theversman@gmail.com)) if you have any questions.

**BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION & YOUTH (Rich Oakland):**



**SPECIAL THANKS:** to **Sunday School** Superintendent (Tara Eder) and teachers (Erika Rossow, Jenny Holovnia, Tiffany Hale, Scott, Mary and Alexis Brockberg, James Beck and Joel Johnson) for your time and dedication this past year.

**SPECIAL THANKS:** to **Youth Group** Leader (Jayme Kruse) and Youth Sunday School teachers (Gretchen Kliche, Tom and Patty Gardner). The youth are lucky to have you as teachers and appreciate the time and energy you put in to teaching them! Thank you, also, to those that subbed throughout the year.



**SPECIAL THANKS:** to **Nursery** coordinator Amy Becker and those that staffed the nursery during Sunday morning Bible Study.

Thank you to all the **volunteers** who helped staff the nursery during the Bible Study hour. We are following the Sunday School schedule and will not be having a staffed nursery during the summer-time and will resume again in the fall. The nursery can still be used but understand no adult supervision will be scheduled.



**BIBLES & BREWS** will continue all Summer long on the fourth Tuesday of the month: June 25, July 23, and August 27. We will continue meeting at Under Pressure Brewing (8806 7th Ave N, Golden Valley) and the doors will open for us at 6:30 p.m.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** June 24<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, 9am - 12, with a program and pot luck on Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> at noon. Any questions please contact Tara Eder at [tara.eder@gmail.com](mailto:tara.eder@gmail.com).

**ACOLYTE TRAINING:** Pr. Johnson will be offering training for 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade students, especially the 5<sup>th</sup> graders who will be newly of acolyte age as 6<sup>th</sup> graders in the fall, **TODAY** Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup> between services - please meet in the sanctuary for a session.



**Youth Group**

Youth Group, including Bible Study, has wrapped up for the school year and will resume in the fall. Feel free to reach out to Jayme Kruse at [jayme.kruse@gmail.com](mailto:jayme.kruse@gmail.com)/612-807-6526 if you need anything during the break. Have a great summer!

**BOARD OF TECHNOLOGY (Sam Kulberg):**

**CONGREGATION PRESIDENT / DEACON CHAIRMAN**  
(Erik Preus, Chris Kruse):

**FROM THE CONGREGATION AT LARGE:**

## DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

St. Paul reminds us, “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” (1 THESS. 5:16-18).

When the Thessalonians heard Paul’s urging to rejoice, pray and give thanks, they did so. This July, so will we, when elected delegates and visitors from around the world gather in Tampa for the 67th Regular Convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. And through that rejoicing, praying and giving thanks, we will bear witness to God’s love in Christ.

### WILL YOU ALSO PREPARE JOYFULLY TO TAKE ON THIS WORK WITH US? HERE’S WHAT YOU CAN DO.

**FIRST, PLEASE PRAY!** Pray for me as your Synod President, for my brothers on the Council of Presidents, for my fellow pastors, deaconesses, DCE’s, church musicians, teachers, and all church workers, our congregations and schools, our seminaries and universities, and all our partners in ministry throughout the world. Pray that we may all be strengthened in our joyful confession of Christ and renewed winsome witnesses to His love. Pray especially for the delegates and guests who will gather in Tampa, asking God for the gift of His Spirit that we may listen to each other in humility, speak in love, and plan together for ways to meet the challenges before us in faithfulness to God’s Word.

**SECOND, JOIN WITH ALL OF THE LCMS AS WE PARTICIPATE TOGETHER IN THE 2019–21 LCMS NATIONAL OFFERING.** This special collection of monetary gifts sets the tone for our next triennium under the theme, “Joy to the World,” preparing hearts for prayerful rejoicing, gratitude and bold action. Any gifts received go directly to the mission of the LCMS to make known the Good News of Jesus Christ, joy incarnate, to the world.

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## DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

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When the Thessalonians heard Paul’s urging to rejoice, pray and give thanks, they did so. This July, so will we, when elected delegates and visitors from around the world gather in Tampa for the 67th Regular Convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. And through that rejoicing, praying and giving thanks, we will bear witness to God’s love in Christ.

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