

Old Testament Reading: Micah 7:18-20

¹⁸Who 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.

¹⁹He 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.

²⁰You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.

GRADUAL Ps. 55:22a, 16, 18a

Cast your burden | on the Lord,*
and he will sus- | tain you.

I call to God, and the Lord will | save me.*
He redeems my soul in | safety.

Epistle: 1 Peter 5:6-11

⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁷Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁸Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ⁹And 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. ¹⁰To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

DAILY READINGS

June 17: Prov. 17:1-28; John 16:17-33; **18:** Prov. 20:5-25; John 17:1-26; **19:** Prov. 22:1-21; John 18:1-14; **20:** Prov. 22:22-23:12; John 18:15-40; **21:** Prov. 24:1-22; John 19:1-22; **22:** Prov. 25:1-22; John 19:23-42; **23:** Prov. 27:1-24; John 20:1-18.

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Holy Gospel: Luke 15:1-32

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable: ⁴"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

The Parable of the Lost Coin

⁸"Or what woman, having ten silver coins,^[a] if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Parable of the Prodigal Son

¹¹And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. ¹²And 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. ¹³Not 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. ¹⁴And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶And 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! ¹⁸I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. ¹⁹I 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. ²¹And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²²But 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. ²³And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. ²⁴For 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. ²⁶And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷And 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.' ²⁸But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, ²⁹but 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. ³⁰But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' ³¹And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

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† Third Sunday after Trinity †
June 17, 2018

VERSE: Alleluia. I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer. Alleluia. (Ps. 18:1-2a)

PRAYER: O Christ, send Your Holy Spirit that we may rejoice with angels and archangels before you at the sound of repentance. Take away from us all bitterness and strife, and increase our faith. Amen.

Sermon: "The Church of the Holy Spirit Rejoices over Repentance" (Luke 15:1-32)

Preacher: Pr. Matthew Moss
Liturgist: Pr. Matthew Johnson
Organist: Duane Esterly

Prelude: Lord, to You I Make Confession (Marpurg)
Offering: In thee is Gladness (Burkhardt)
Postlude: God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It (Hildebrand)

Altar Guild: Deb Koehler

Worship Assistants: 8:00 am: Greg Christopher
10:30 am: Dan Holthus

Acolytes: 8:00 am: Andrew Wandersee & 1 acolyte needed
10:30 am: 2 acolytes needed

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

Money Counters: Mike Desplinter, Paul Dolan,
Mike McFerrin, Russ Reznecheck

Those Serving This Week. Monday, June 18th:

Worship Assistants: 7:00 pm: Tom Eversman
Acolytes: 7:00 pm: Bradley Kruse & Jackson Kruse

THIS WEEK: The congregations in our circuit are praying for Eternal Hope Lutheran, Brooklyn Park, and Vacancy Pastor Bill Hillyer.

PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL: This week we pray for our many Church Volunteers including Accounting Professionals, Funeral Workers, Fundraisers, Cleaners, and Those Who Serve at our worship services.

SCHEDULE FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER: At the Reformation the Lutheran Churches celebrated the Lord's Supper "every Sunday and on other festivals" (Apology XXIV, 1). We follow this fine custom and so offer the Lord's Supper every Sunday at both morning Divine Services. Individual glasses are used in the 8:00 a.m. Divine Service on the first Sunday in the month and in the 10:30 a.m. Divine Service on the second Sunday in the month. All other celebrations use the chalice.

TWO LARGE PRINT LSB HYMNALS NOW AVAILABLE: (4 NOTE-BOOKS) Please ask the ushers about the notebooks that are now available for those who have difficulties with small print hymns.

PARENTS: We're happy you've brought your children to worship today. Jesus says, "The kingdom of God belongs to such as these." If you must leave during the service for any reason, please be aware that there are also exits at the front of the sanctuary to the left and right; that you will be able to hear the service over loudspeakers in the entrance area and in the upper room to the left of the sanctuary; and that there is a changing table in the restroom near the elevator.

THE DIVINE SERVICE The Divine Service is the time when God serves His people with His forgiving grace in Word and Sacrament. It is not a time to be entertained. To show she is not a sect or cult the Lutheran Church retained the historic liturgy as much as was possible. The liturgical service makes no attempt to meet current cultural norms or personal needs but is the time when God comes in Word and Sacrament to meet our deepest spiritual needs. The Lutheran Church uses an ordered liturgy so that God's holy "priesthood" can participate and "declare the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9). The Augsburg Confession concludes, "It is quite clear that among us nothing in doctrine or ceremonies has been accepted that would contradict either Holy Scripture or the universal Christian Church (AC, Conclusion).

INTROIT Ps. 25:1-20, 5b, 15, 20; antiphon: Ps. 25:16, 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.**

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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

† Third Sunday after Trinity †

•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).

OPENING HYMN: LSB 594

CONFESSION: LSB 184

INTROIT: (bulletin) – conclude

with Gloria Patri on LSB 186

KYRIE: LSB 186

SALUTATION:

P: The Lord be with you

C: And with thy spirit

COLLECT: bulletin

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Gradual: bulletin

Responses: LSB 190

CREED: LSB 191 (or inside back cover)

HYMN OF DAY: LSB 608

SERMON

OFFERTORY: LSB 192 ("Create in Me")

THE OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

COMMUNION LIT: LSB 194ff

DIST HYMNS: LSB 614

LSB 612

CLSG CANTICLE: LSB 199

("Nunc Dimittis")

CLOSING HYMN: LSB 818

**BIRTHDAYS THE WEEK OF
June 17 - June 23**

*Happy Father's Day

*SUNDAY	THURSDAY
Lorrayne Conley Tom Eversman Jacob Pace	Audrey Hansen Paula Mead Nancy Radintz
MONDAY	FRIDAY
Mandi Kliche	Kyle Holland Craig Howey Erik Preus Evan Pulju Peter Radintz
TUESDAY	SATURDAY
Cooper Essig Kyle Gaffaney Timothy Gordon Tom Parduhn Lynn Slauson	Cathrine Carter Addison Gilmore Anna Kolstad
WEDNESDAY	
Miranda Blanck Mandy Brackeen Tyler Brown Allie Cate, Dalton Cate Lora Cleaveland Joe DeSplinter Jackson Nygren Meryl Oswald Catherine Radintz	

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

Ir./Sr. High Youth

GET CONNECTED: Are you in 6th-12th grade? Are you a parent of a youth in 6th-12th grade? If you answered yes to either of those questions, then I want to hear from you! We have many youth group events throughout the year and I want to make sure YOU know about them. Please email me (Jayme Kruse) so that I can put you on the email list and keep you informed throughout the year! - jayme.kruse@gmail.com Also, be sure to request to join the "St. John's Youth Group" private group on FB!

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: 8:00 -12:00 Monday through Friday

If you have urgent pastoral needs, please contact Pastor Matthew Moss: pastor.moss@stjlutheran.org or 763-496-5350

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

† **The Third Sunday after Trinity** †
June 17, 2018

SPECIAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: *Next Sunday: The Nativity of John the Baptist (Luke 1:57-80)*

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), Katie Titler (daughter of Joe & Cilla Nadeau), Troy Eder, Kristine Eversman, Bruce O'Hern, and Jan Stadler. 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 Bredenberg, Dorothy Cooper, Sue Erickson, Audrey Hansen, Marlys Johnson, Inez Koehler, Steve Orbin, Gerald Oswald, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, Betty Schmiege, and Ilene Shepherd.

All those serving in our Armed Forces— Agena Christophersen (Belgium), Nicholas Malikowski (California), Kevin Mazurowski (Idaho), Nathan Mazurowski (Texas), Brian and Veronica Pruhs (Hawaii), Joseph Radintz (home), Marty Schiltz (home), and Andrew Zupfer (home).

Those who have lost loved ones during the past year— the family of Caroline Christophersen, Mark Coombs & family (at the loss of his father Paul), Karen MacMillan & family (at the loss of her mother Yvonne Johnson), Scott Gehl & family (at the loss of his father William), the family of Alex Hansen, the family of William Dodds, the family of Caroline Lucht, and the family of Dorothy Schutte.

And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones— Paul & Diane Radintz (at the loss of their son Bill), John Malikowski & family (at the loss of his mother Frances), Cindy Cook & family (at the loss of her sister Jackie), the family of William Cahlander, and Kathleen Cooper & family (at the loss of her father John Giguere).

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).

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!

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† Announcements †

ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Joe and Brenna Koehler in celebration of their fifth wedding anniversary.

TRINITY SEASON – From ancient times the Church Year has had two halves: Festival Time (Advent - Pentecost) and Ordinary Time (Trinity Sunday - the Last Sunday of the Church Year). Our Historic Lectionary takes the Ordinary Time to group lessons together to teach on main topics related to the major festivals that occur during this half of the Church Year. So the first few weeks of the Trinity Season offer different doctrinal lessons on what the Church of the Holy Spirit (given at Pentecost) will look like.

The Church of the Holy Spirit:

- Hears His Prophets (June 3)
- Receives His Invitation (June 10)
- Rejoices over Repentance (June 17)
- and, Confesses the Faith & Catches Men (July 1)



SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR MOSS: In our study of the Book of Exodus, we have reached the Wilderness. It should only have been a short stay at Mount Sinai to receive the Law, but things go wrong through Sin. God who is merciful and just, therefore, institutes a place of worship, The Tabernacle, where He might dwell with His people and forgive their sins.

This week: The Book and Blood of the Covenant (Exodus 21–24)

Next week: Tabernacle Worship: The Ark of the Covenant (Exodus 25)

Video Recordings Available at: <http://tinyurl.com/lutheranbiblestudy>

THE SUMMER MONDAY NIGHT DIVINE SERVICE: Every summer we add a Monday night service at 7:00 pm which has the same liturgy, Scripture readings, and sermon as the previous day's Divine Service. The weekly summer evening services will run through Monday, August 27th.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY: *Due to Vacation Bible School, we will not have Proverbs Bible Study on Tuesday, June 19.* Please join us next week; we study the *Book of Proverbs*, meeting Tuesdays at 9am in the Auxiliary Room. You can also watch live online using Facebook Live; just go to St. John's Facebook page. Join us as we reflect on Jesus Christ, the Wisdom from on High. All knowledge *begins* with the Fear of the Lord and many practical insights flow from that knowledge- the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: How exciting, VBS begins tomorrow, June 18th and runs through Thursday the 21st 9am til Noon with a program and pot luck on the 21st at Noon! The theme this year is "Splash Canyon-God's Promise on Life's Wild Ride". Registration for both Students: Pre-K (3yr old) thru 4th grade and Volunteers: 5th grade and up. Here is the link to sign up:

<https://vbsmate.com/events/STJL/16790>

Thank you to everyone in making our VBS program successful again this year. Any questions please contact Tara Eder at tara.eder@gmail.com.

This Week at St. John's Lutheran

TODAY	8:00 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	9:30 am:	Bible Study
	10:30 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
MON:	9:00 am:	Vacation Bible School
	7:00 pm:	Summer Evening Divine Service
TUES:	9:00 am:	NO Adult Bible Study this week
	9:00 am:	Vacation Bible School
	7:00 pm:	Board Meetings
WED:	9:00 am:	Vacation Bible School
	7:00 pm:	Adult Instruction Class (Auxiliary Rm)
THUR:	9:00 am:	Vacation Bible School
	12:00 pm:	Vacation Bible School program & potluck
	7:00 pm:	Adult Instruction Class (Auxiliary Rm)
FRI:		
SAT:		
SUN:	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 Next Week, Sunday, June 24th:

Altar Guild:		Deb Koehler
Worship Assistants:	8:00 am:	Dan Kolander
	10:30 am:	Jack Wold
Acolytes:	8:00 am:	2 acolytes needed
	10:30 am:	2 acolytes needed
Ushers:	8:00 am:	Dan Kolander, Floyd Lieske, Mike McFerrin, Rich Oakland
	10:30 am:	David Giefer, Ed Kemna, David Kliche
Money Counters:		Duane Abraham, Jon Bode, Dave Giefer, Mark Radintz

Those Serving Next Week, Monday, June 25th:

Worship Assistants:	7:00 pm:	Todd Haag
Acolytes:	7:00 pm:	Jackson Kruse & Bradley Kruse



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NIGERIA: Pr. Briel has been asked to return to Nigeria this coming September to teach several more classes at the Jonathan Ekong Lutheran Seminary in Uyo, Nigeria. Contributions toward his travel expenses and necessary text books for the classes he will be teaching would be greatly appreciated. God continue to bless his and all other missionary activities in our church as we seek to train indigenous pastors to bring the gospel to the nations. ...donations for this special trip should be made payable to St. John's, and designated as "Briel Nigeria Trip". Thank you for your generosity and continued support!



BOARD OF EDUCATION CALL UPDATES:

- Miriam Preus has accepted the contract for 4th Grade teacher
- Brittany Strohschein has accepted the call for Pre-K Teacher
- Rachel Keinath declined the call for Resource K-8/Jr High Social Studies Teacher
- One of our candidates for 4th grade Hannah Incitti was extended a call for 5th Grade Teacher to replace Kendra Gilmore, that call was declined.



•The Teacher Call Committee has resumed its efforts and has identified candidates for 5th Grade Teacher. Stephanie Edgar (Billings, MT), Allison Getka (Atkins, IA), Stephen Kuske (Overland Park, KS), Aaron Hoepfner (Menomonee Falls, WI), Stephen Woolery (Waterloo, IA), Joshua Moeller (Delvan, WI), Fred Limmel (Waconia, MN), Justin Tayon (Belleville, IL). If you have any questions or comments about the individuals listed here please call or e-mail Board Chair Brian Callahan @ brian.callahan@centurylink.com, or 763-242-3837

ADMINISTRATOR CALL UPDATE: After prayerful consideration, Krista Nagy has declined the Call to serve as the Administrator of St. John's. The Call Committee is in the process of considering Anthony Splittgerber from Zion Lutheran in Kearney, NE. Please contact Dave Huth at david.huth@bsci.com or 763-242-7103 with any questions, comments, or concerns.



PROPERTY & GROUNDS: We are starting to plan the parsonage window and door replacement project. We'd like to give any members who do this type of work professionally the first chance of bidding on this job. Contact one of your deacons if you'd like to discuss this. We are also in need of ~\$20,000 to pay for this project and we'd like to fund it through individual contributions rather than adding it as a line item in the budget. If you'd like to make a contribution to this project, please mark your envelope as such or contact one of your deacons.

~Kevin Pomerence/Dan Holthus

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: Kids Treats/Popcorn and Stew. Thank you for helping when you can; your contributions placed in the narthex area are greatly appreciated.



25th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION for Pastor Loel Wessel of First English Lutheran Church will be held on Sunday, July 22 at 3:30 at the church in Spring Valley, 217 West Grant Street. RSVP by July 6th: call Mary Ann 507-421-8275, or email FEL@mediacommb.net

LWML PROJECT: We will be assembling Baby Kits for needy families worldwide from items received through June 24th. Please place your generous donations in the collection tray located in the narthex. Appreciated items include:

- Unscented Baby Lotion, Baby Shampoo, Baby Wash, Baby Wipes
- Baby Nail Clippers, Combs, or Brushes
- Onesies: NB-24 months, Receiving Blankets
- Diapers: NB-size 5/6, Pull-ups, & Swimmers
- Formula
- New Pack and Play sheets
- New Baby Clothing: NB – size 3T
- Christian Storybooks & Lullaby CDs
- New Mom Christian tracts, devotions, etc.



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday, June 10th: 8:00 am: CT: 156 CM: 124
 10:30 am: CT: 93 CM: 79
 Monday, June 11th: 7:00 pm: CT: 42 CM: 30



FINANCIAL UPDATE

	<i>Last Week</i> 06/10/18	<i>Year-to-date</i> since 07/01/17
Offerings Received	\$ 11,159	\$ 694,790
Amount Needed	\$ 14,958	\$ 816,696
Amount Ahead (Behind)	\$ (3,798)	\$ (121,906)
% Ahead (-Behind)	-25%	-15%



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

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. email: secretary2@stjlutheran.org



NEW GIVING OPTIONS: We are excited to now offer three electronic giving options for St. John's stewardship! *Online giving* has been in place for some time (formerly known as Simply Giving...re-branded as the Give+ electronic giving program of Vanco Payment Solutions), but today... St. John's is pleased to announce the introduction of two more elements of that program: *The Mobile App* and *Text*. As convenient alternatives to envelope offerings, all of these options are fast, more secure, and manageable for one-time or repetitive contributions, **and** you can direct your money to any of St. John's current giving funds! No longer do you have to carry cash or checks to make contributions – and, if you are unable to give in person while out ill, on vacation, or business, you can initiate a transaction anytime, anywhere! Additionally, when there are special giving opportunities, attending congregational social events, or responding to special appeals, your supplemental discreet gift can easily be submitted. When you participate in electronic giving, you may still want to demonstrate your stewardship during services; so our offering plate cards (that read "I give electronically") are available to drop in the offering plate as it is circulated.

In weeks to come, expect postings on Facebook and our website. While traditional envelope offerings are still an option, any donations made electronically provide accurate record posting, and do not require the tedious manual handling of the money counting process, or endure the physical environment of bank check processing. St. John's relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis; please consider setting up a recurring giving plan. By knowing what you are willing to commit financially, we are able to better plan for the future.

New members will be advised of our giving method options, and guests/non-members will have the ability to contribute anywhere, anytime and have a record of their donation. *You are encouraged to utilize any and all of the ways now available to you for giving to St. John's Lutheran Church.* Members will receive a statement at the end of the year that will reflect your total combined giving by fund distribution.

For detailed information on these options, please see the insert in today's bulletin, and check out the display in the narthex. Kindly be patient with the introduction and implementation of these new programs – it may take more effort to perfect the process! Comments or questions: secretary2@stjlutheran.org

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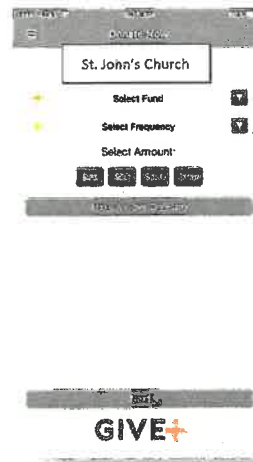


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- Make one-time or recurring donations to multiple funds
- Choose to create an account or donate as a guest
- Securely and conveniently manage donations using Touch ID/Fingerprint, PIN or password



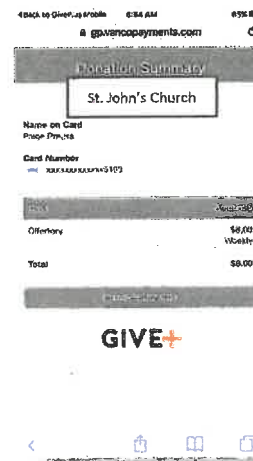
1) Search

- Enter < **St John's Church**> to start your search.
- Select our **church**.
- Our church will be displayed as your default church.
- Press *Give Now*.



2) Select

- Choose a fund and a preset amount or enter another amount.
- Select *Add* and *Next* to move forward to the payment information.
- Select payment type to enter your card or banking information.



3) Submit

- Review your donation summary then select *Complete Donation*.

Giving to your church is as easy as **1-2-3**

Text your churches 10-digit number to submit your donate to the fund of your choice.

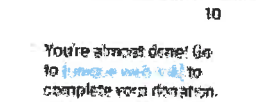


- Quickly and easily donate using a debit/credit card.
- Make one-time donations or set up recurring giving to multiple funds



1) Get Started

- Enter your 10-digit Give+Text number 763-225-2689 and the amount you wish to donate, then press send.



2) Register

- You will receive a registration link. Click the link and enter your contact and payment information. Tap "Process"



3) Give

- After registration is complete, you will receive a verification text as well as a receipt via email
- For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process

