

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



Pastor: Pr. Matthew Moss
Kantor: Dr. Crystal Rossow

Thanks to all who serve this week:

Altar Guild: Beth Giefer and LeAnn Cummins

Worship Assistants:

8:00 am: Erik Preus
10:30 am: Dan Holthus

Acolytes:

8:00 am: Diana Schilling & Naomi Schilling
10:30 am: Sam Say & Sawyer Say

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,
Dave Giefer, Russ Reznecheck

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9th chapter.

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

¹⁸ While [Jesus] was saying these things to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹ And Jesus rose and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, ²¹ for she said to herself, "If I only touch his garment, I will be made well." ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly^[a] the woman was made well. ²³ And when Jesus came to the ruler's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴ he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. ²⁶ And the report of this went through all that district.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Hymn of the Day: *In the Very Midst of Life*

LSB 755

Sermon: "Jesus Freely Cleanses" (Matthew 9:18-26)

The Nicene Creed

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Prayer of the Church

Offering: God's Own Child (Robert J. Powell)

Offertory: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

LSB 955

The Service of the Sacrament of the Altar

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Please review our statements about who may commune, found at the top of the strip on the front page of this bulletin.

Distribution Hymn: *God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It*

LSB 594

Distribution Hymn: *Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense*

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Canticle: "Thank the Lord"

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Collect and Benediction

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Closing Hymn: *Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious*

LSB 548

Postlude: Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense (John Behnke)

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† The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity †

November 11, 2018

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

Verse: Alleluia. With you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light. Alleluia. (Ps. 36:9)

Prayer: Lord God, by my sinful thoughts, words, and deeds I have greatly offended You and soiled my own conscience. By Your Word and Spirit grant me repentance and faith to cling to Jesus' cleansing sacrifice and to receive His body and blood for the remission of all my sin. Amen.

Prelude: In the Very Midst of Life (Jacob Weber)

The Divine Service

Opening Hymn: *Before You, Lord, We Bow*

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Confession & Absolution

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Introit *Psalm 95:1-4; antiphon: Ps. 95:6-7a*

Oh come, let us worship and | bow down; *
 let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!
 For he | is our God, *
 and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.
Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD; *
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!
Let us come into his presence with thanks- | giving; *
let us make a joyful noise to him with | songs of praise!
For the LORD is a | great God, *
and a great King a- | bove all gods.
In his hand are the depths | of the earth; *
the heights of the mountains are his | also.
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.
 Oh come, let us worship and | bow down; *
 let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!
 For he | is our God, *
 and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

Kyrie & Gloria in Excelsis

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Collect of the Day

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of Your faithful people that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by You be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 51:9-16

⁹ Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in days of old, the generations of long ago. Was it not you who cut Rahab in pieces, who pierced the dragon? ¹⁰ Was it not you who dried up the sea, the waters of the great deep, who made the depths of the sea a way for the redeemed to pass over? ¹¹ And the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. ¹² "I, I am he who comforts you; who are you that you are afraid of man who of the son of man who is made like grass, ¹³ and have forgotten the LORD, your Maker, who stretched out the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth, and you fear continually all the day because of the wrath of the oppressor, when he sets himself to destroy? And where is the wrath of the oppressor? ¹⁴ He who is bowed down shall speedily be released; he shall not die and go down to the pit, neither shall his bread be lacking. ¹⁵ I am the LORD your God, who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar— the LORD of hosts is his name. ¹⁶ And I have put my words in your mouth and covered you in the shadow of my hand, establishing the heavens and laying the foundations of the earth, and saying to Zion, "You are my people.""

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 116:8, 1

For you have delivered my | soul from death, *
my eyes from tears, my feet from | stumbling;
I love the LORD, because | he has heard *
my voice and my pleas for | mercy.

The Epistle: Colossians 1:9-14

⁹ And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; ¹¹ being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ¹³ He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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The Alleluia Verse

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- *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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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), Kristine Eversman, Bob Malwitz, Alvin Cook, Diann Bates (mother of Toya Fish), Ilene Shepherd, Zachary Kappel, Brigitte Miest, and Craig Campbell. 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 Schmiede, 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 (Germany), Joseph Radintz (home), Marty Schiltz (home), and Andrew Zupfer (home).

Those who have lost loved ones during the past year— 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, 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).

And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones— the family of Ron Conley, and Steve Orbin & family (at the loss of his mother Vonnie).

THIS WEEK: The congregations in our circuit are praying for Peace Lutheran, Robbinsdale, and Pastor Steven Mayo Jones & SMP vicar Martin Cornes.

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.

PRAYERS FOR PR. JOHNSON: Our pastor, Rev. Matthew Johnson, has received a Divine Call to serve as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Slayton, MN. Please keep Pastor Johnson, his family, our congregation, and Trinity-Slayton in your daily prayers as Pastor Johnson considers the calls he has to serve here and there.

THE SERVICE OF INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION is available the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary (and by appointment any time with your pastors). 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).

Youth Group

GET CONNECTED: We have many Youth Group events throughout the year and we want to make sure YOU know about them. Keep an eye on your email, the Church bulletin and the School newsletter for info on the events. Contact Jayme Kruse with questions on how to get connected - jayme.kruse@gmail.com/612-807-6526.

YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY (grades 5-12): The STJL Youth Group program is geared towards 6th-12th graders; however, beginning this year, we have invited 5th graders to attend Youth Group Bible Study on Sunday mornings. This gives them an opportunity to start getting to know the other kids in Youth Group as well as take advantage of age-appropriate topics we discuss. Each Sunday, between services, 5th and 6th graders will meet in the Auxiliary Room and 7th-12th graders will meet in the 6th grade (Mr. Peterman's) room upstairs. We have some great topics planned, you won't want to miss it!

GAMES IN THE DARK: Saturday, November **17th** - -At STJL from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm, -Flashlight tag, Capture the Flag, and lots more! -Eat dinner before you come - snacks will be provided

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



† Announcements †

FROM THE PASTORS:

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

Bible Study



SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR MOSS: This Fall we will take up a different theological topic each week. In the wake of Luther's death theological controversies shook the Evangelical Lutheran Church down to its very foundation: the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We will study these various controversial topics, see their connection to the Gospel, and learn how to speak clearly in accord with God's Holy Word.

This week: Can we add this, or get rid of that?
Next week: The doctrinal equivalent of eating blowfish!
Video Recordings Available at: <http://tinyurl.com/lutheranbiblestudy>

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY: We study the *Book of Proverbs*, meeting Tuesdays in the Auxiliary Room; *we meet at 9:45 am*. 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.



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

BUILDING PROJECTS / NEEDS / NOTICES:



Roof replacement project ~ We have a comprehensive plan to replace the aging school roof over the next 7-10 yrs. The SE section of the building is in the worst shape, and we would like to replace that portion next summer; estimated cost \$60,000. If we do not proceed with this replacement schedule, the damage repair cost could be even greater. Funds are needed to start this project.

Emergency lighting replacement~ We are replacing the emergency lights throughout the building. The cost for the lights is \$1500 and we are doing the work ourselves.

(Please consider these needs by making a special contribution to the St. John's Improvement Fund.)

This Week at St. John's Lutheran

TODAY		Veterans Day; Scholastic Book Fair
	8:00 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	9:15 am:	Sunday School
	9:30 am:	Bible Study
	10:30 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	12:30 pm:	Safety Team Training
	6:00 pm:	Robotics Club
MON:	7:00 pm:	Adult Instruction Class
TUES:	9:45 am:	Adult Bible Study
WED:	6:00 pm:	PS Catechism
	6:15 pm:	Brass Practice
	7:00 pm:	Choir Practice
THUR:	7:00 pm:	Table Tennis
FRI:	8:00 am:	Chapel ~ 1 st Grade sings
SAT:		
SUN:	8:00 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	9:15 am:	Sunday School
	9:30 am:	Bible Study
	10:30 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	6:00 pm:	Robotics Club

Those Serving Next Week, Sunday November 18th:

Altar Guild:		Beth Giefer and LeAnn Cummins
Worship Assistants:	8:00 am:	Jerry Rogge
	10:30 am:	Todd Haag
Acolytes:	8:00 am:	Andrew Wandersee & Miranda Blanck
	10:30 am:	Alexander Vetsch & James Wicht
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, Mark Radintz, <i>Craig Schutte</i>

Those Serving Next Week, Wednesday Thanksgiving Eve November 21st:

Worship Assistants:	7:00 pm:	Tom Eversman
Acolyte:	7:00 pm:	Mason Brastad

Those Serving Next Week, Thursday Thanksgiving Day November 22nd:

Worship Assistants:	9:00 am:	Ed Kemna
Acolyte:	9:00 am:	Jordan Brustuen

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION (Tom Eversman, Mike Gaffer):

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 to set up and manage your one-time and recurring gifts. ***

***you can use the printed "I Give Electronically" cards as a visible sign of your stewardship during services...The supply is available upon entering service and will be returned to replenish for re-use after the money counting process.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK Sunday, November 4th ~ 8:00 am: CT: 165 CM: 130
10:30 am: CT: 145 CM: 99



FINANCIAL UPDATE

	<u>Last Week</u> 11/04/18	<u>Year-to-date</u> since 07/01/18
Total General Fund Receipts-All Sources	\$ 72,957	\$ 553,070
Amount Needed	\$ 25,058	\$ 711,180
Amount Ahead (Behind)	\$ 47,899	\$ (158,110)
% Ahead (-Behind)		-22%
Current Building Mortgage Balance (October 31)	\$588,343	

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) or Tom Eversman (Theversman@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

BOARD OF EDUCATION (Stu Glock, Dan Kolander):



ADMINISTRATOR CALL COMMITTEE: BOE has once again created a new Administrator Call committee. We had our first meeting October 25th. The committee members are Pastor Moss, Ruth Kulberg, James Beck, Jeremy Costello, Joshua Christian, Emily Priebe, Deb Volberding, Dawn Rolf, Amy Becker, Dan Kolander, Brian Callahan (Chair). I urge you to keep this committee in your prayers as they move forward to find our next Administrator for St John's School. If you have any names of candidates we should be considering please reach out to any of these individuals or contact Brian Callahan, brian.callahan@centurylink.com, or 763-242-3837.

PT ESP JOB OPPORTUNITY: Responsibilities will include supervising children after school with homework and playtime. Availability Mon-Fri 2:15-5:30; flexible days & hrs. Contact Julie Zemke: 612-940-6065, julie@zemke.com



THANK YOU! Your support of the Gala this weekend is much appreciated. Because of your time, talents, generosity, and prayers we were able to gather together to GIVE THANKS and GIVE BACK. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

ST. JOHN'S SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR is a reading event that brings kids the books they want to read. We'll receive a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level, and all purchases benefit our school! Reading for pleasure inside and outside of school has real and long-lasting benefits. Please come to our book fair and help shape children's reading habits! Our Scholastic Book Fair will be open before and after services **TODAY** Sunday, November 11th! See you at the book fair! Other questions? Find more info at <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/stjohnslutheranschool21>



FUNDRAISER: Maple Grove Culver's **THIS** Tuesday night, November 13th, 5pm-8pm. Please come out and support our 8th Grade Students, and their Washington DC Trip!

FROM ST. JOHN'S THIRD GRADERS: Thank you to the congregation for their gift of Luther's Small Catechism on Reformation Day. We'd also like to thank Pastor Johnson for his presentation and for walking through the publication with us to learn all the new parts of the catechism.



BOARD OF TECHNOLOGY (Sam Kulberg):



FROM THE CONGREGATION AT LARGE:

YOU ARE INVITED to celebrate Dorothy Cooper's 100th birthday at an Open House **TODAY** Sunday, Nov. 11th at Osseo Community Center, 415 Central Av, from 1-3pm. Your presence is your present ~ cards are appreciated!



BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION (Tom Eversman, Mike Gaffer):



NEW RECEPTIONIST: We are happy to announce that Dawn Rolf has accepted the Part-time Receptionist position. She is an active member of our sister church, Glory of Christ Lutheran Church (LCMS) and currently has five children enrolled in St. John's School. Please welcome her at the front desk. Dawn will be working a few hours a day during the school year.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES: Kindly remember to write your offering amount on the front of your envelope ~ this helps the Money Counters and the data entry of your contribution into your giving records.



Please note~ If your preference is to contribute to a mission, St. John's currently designated Mission Project options are: Issues, Etc., Japan/Iastrom, Lutherans for Life, Nigeria/Wokoma, or Synod. (If any other mission is indicated on your envelope, your offering will be divided between all of these current mission options with the exception of Issues, Etc.)

Also, if you have not indicated on the envelope where you want your money to be directed, the application of those undesignated funds will default to the General Fund to pay the ongoing expenses of the Church and School.

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

LUTHERAN WITNESS: Since we no longer mail the Lutheran Witness magazine to individuals at their home address; if you wish to have one set aside for your household, please fill out a form and place it in the appropriate box on the narthex table. A copy of the Lutheran Witness will be placed in your church mailbox.

THANK YOU to all those who donated baby items and made blankets & quilts at our Sewing Saturday. We know everything will be deeply appreciated by City Life Center, Anoka Women's Source, & the Robbinsdale Women's Center.



CROSS...FOOD NEEDS: Each month CROSS collects food items to be donated to the needy. Items desired from STJL during the month of **NOVEMBER** are: Hamburger Helper & Cake Mix/Frosting. Thank you for helping when you can; your contributions placed in the narthex area are greatly appreciated.



DECEMBER MUSICAL EVENTS: The Minnesota Bach Society will present Bach's Christmas Oratorio at 3:00 on Dec. 9th. Tickets available through their website or at the door (see poster by the sanctuary doors). On Dec. 16th at 3:00 the North Star Boys' Choir will present their annual Christmas concert. Freewill offering.

FROM OTHER CONGREGATIONS:



MAYER LUTHERAN: Annual Dinner and Auction, "Celebrate His Harvest", Friday November 30, 5:30-10pm. Registration, Social Hour, Silent Auction, Dinner, Dessert Dash, and Live Auction. Semi-formal attire admired but not required. Purchase tickets online at www.CelebrateHisHarvest.org.

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., WWJ0 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 November 11 – November 17

SUNDAY	
Liz Glock Lauren Millen Jacquelyn O'Hern Gerald Steeber Dominic Talbot Brent Tillmann	
MONDAY	THURSDAY
Lucas Kiesow Jean Kucera Schuur Lorena Remer	Breanna Ostwald
TUESDAY	FRIDAY
Therese Noren Arlene Rogge	Gabrielle Berres Karen Howey Eric Kaiser Lori Kiesow
WEDNESDAY	SATURDAY
Stephanie Haver Simon Say	Ellenna Baltes Kim Brustuen Mark Schutte

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

