

# St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church and School (LCMS)

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# Important Announcements

## For those who watch services on Live-Stream during the Coronavirus Pandemic

**Stay Home when Sick:** If you are sick or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 please stay home. If you start to experience symptoms while in attendance at a service or out anywhere else, please go home immediately. If at a service, notify a Safety Team member on your way out so we may direct our cleaning and communication efforts.

**Singing:** At this time there are mixed studies on what effect singing may have on the spread of this disease. Due to this, the governor's office has made refraining from congregational singing a requirement. So we will speak the liturgy and the hymn of the day will be sung by the pastors. To make up for this deprivation in the Sunday Divine Service, we will add much music and singing to the Wednesday evening service which is still Live-Stream only. Please tune in early and stay late for the preludes, postludes, and sing with us the hymns that will be provided in the online bulletins.

**Maintaining Piety when Worshiping at Home:** The best way to get the most out of this temporary set-up is to keep things in your household as regular as possible:

- Print the bulletin or use your hymnals
- Dress like you would dress for church
- Stand when we stand, sit when we sit
- Sing along with the hymns
- Watch at the live time, Sunday morning, setting it aside as first priority instead of looking for whatever time is most convenient for you
- Limit the distractions, toys, and tech so that the time is truly "sacred" (set-apart) for Christ and His means of grace

These ideas can help you focus on the Service of the Word and will also help you prevent bad habits from developing during our temporary suspension of Divine Services

# † The Fourth Sunday after Trinity †

July 5, 2020

*Special Note for the Live Stream: Because the Absolution and Communion are sacramental acts that require the in-person interaction of penitent & pastor and communicant & pastor, we will not Live Stream those portions of the Divine Service. If you desire a more detailed explanation of the status of the controversies in Christianity and the LCMS around these acts that have led us to this decision on this practice, your pastors are more than willing to discuss it with you.*

*Stand*

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

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*Kneel/Stand*

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

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

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

Hymn: 851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us *Sung by pastors*



1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your  
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,  
 3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our  
 4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your



life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the  
 free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your  
 hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious  
 life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the



lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;  
 good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone  
 sen - tence, "You have done it all to Me."  
 lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.



And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings  
 Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by  
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You  
 Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to



count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful  
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py  
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your  
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of



and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.  
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.  
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you?"  
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

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Introit

*Psalm 27:3-4a, 5; antiphon: vv. 1-2*

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?

When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,

my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

**Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;**

**though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**

**One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:**

**that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life.**

**For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;**

**he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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?  
 When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,  
 my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

**Kyrie** *Sung by pastors*

LSB 204



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**Gloria in Excelsis** *Sung by pastors*

LSB 204



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
 2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shi - ped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
 Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, grant that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Your governance that Your Church may joyfully serve You in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 50:15–21*

<sup>15</sup>When Joseph’s brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, “It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him.” <sup>16</sup>So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, “Your father gave this command before he died, <sup>17</sup>‘Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.’ And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, “Behold, we are your servants.” <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. <sup>21</sup>So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Psalm 79:9–10a*

Atone for our sins, for your name’s sake!

Why should the nations say, “Where is their God?”

Help us, O God of our salvation,

for the glory of your name deliver us.

## Epistle

*Romans 12:14–21*

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. <sup>17</sup>Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” <sup>20</sup>To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse *Sung by pastors*



## Holy Gospel

Luke 6:36–42

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

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

<sup>36</sup>[Jesus said:] “Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

<sup>37</sup>“Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup>give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

<sup>39</sup>He also told them a parable: “Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? <sup>40</sup>A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher. <sup>41</sup>Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? <sup>42</sup>How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother’s eye.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Nicene Creed

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

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

*Sit*

Hymn of the Day: 696 O God, My Faithful God *Sung by pastors*



1 O God, my faith - ful God, True foun-tain ev - er flow - ing,  
2 Grant me the strength to do With read - y heart and will - ing  
3 Keep me from say - ing words That lat - er need re - call - ing;  
4 Lord, let me win my foes With kind - ly words and ac - tions,



With - out whom noth - ing is, All per - fect gifts be - stow - ing;  
What - ev - er You com - mand, My call - ing here ful - fill - ing;  
Guard me lest i - dle speech May from my lips be fall - ing;  
And let me find good friends For coun - sel and cor - rec - tion.



Give me a health - y frame, And may I have with - in  
That I do what I should While trust - ing You to bless  
But when with - in my place I must and ought to speak,  
Help me, as You have taught, To love both great and small



A con - science free from blame, A soul un - stained by sin.  
The out - come for my good, For You must give suc - cess.  
Then to my words give grace Lest I of - fend the weak.  
And by Your Spir - it's might To live in peace with all.

5 Let me depart this life  
Confiding in my Savior;  
By grace receive my soul  
That it may live forever;  
And let my body have  
A quiet resting place  
Within a Christian grave;  
And let it sleep in peace.

6 And on that final day  
When all the dead are waking,  
Stretch out Your mighty hand,  
My deathly slumber breaking.  
Then let me hear Your voice,  
Redeem this earthly frame,  
And bid me to rejoice  
With those who love Your name.

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**Sermon: Judgement Will and Must Happen, So What Standard Will You Use?**  
(Luke 6:36-42)

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church**

*Following the prayers the Live Stream ends and the Service of the Sacrament begins.*

*Sit*

# Service of the Sacrament

*Stand*

## Preface

*LSB 208*

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

*LSB 208*

**C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer

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

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 210

**C** 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*Sit*

## Distribution

*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis *Sung by pastors*

LSB 211

**C** 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray.  
[after the collect]  
**C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

LSB 212

- A** Let us bless the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

## 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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.  
**C** Amen.

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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), Ilene Shepherd, Brigitte Ritter, Dr. Crystal Rossow, Charice McDowell, Mavis Kalk, Joyce O'Hern, Melvin Haag, Carol Kappel (mother of Dan Kappel), Patrick Oberle, and Ramona Von Ende. 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 John and Arleen Barrett, Linda Bredenberg, Sue Erickson, Marlys Johnson, Inez Koehler, Vivian Kuns, Steve Orbin, Gerald Oswald, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, and Ilene Shepherd.

**All those serving in our Armed Forces**—Agena Christophersen (Belgium), Kevin Mazurowski (Idaho), Nathan Mazurowski (Arizona), Isak Preus (Florida), Brian Pruhs (Germany), Joseph Radintz (home), Emily Sawyer (Florida), and Danny Schilling (home).

**Those who have lost loved ones during the past year**—the family of Audrey Bauermeister, Shirley Holthus & family (at the loss of her sister, Sharon Berndt), the family of Dorothy Cooper, the family of Pr. Roger Dramstad (former Circuit Pr.-Eternal Hope, Brooklyn Park), Jerry Rogge & family (at the loss of his father Merlyn), Katie Moss & family (at the loss of her grandmother Barbara Behling), Rob Essig & family (at the loss of his brother-in-law Barry Schramel), Mark Ellinger & family (at the loss of his mother Ruth), the family of Robert Malwitz, the family of Alvin Cook, and the family of Betty Schmiege.

**And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones**—Justin Bermel & family (at the loss of his father Douglas, and his brother Jeffrey), Rob Borcharding & family (at the loss of his mother Carol), the family of Rev. Greg Tyler (Pastor at St. Paul Lutheran in Osseo), Lisa Kolander & family (at the loss of her mother Lucy Fairchild), Jan Stadler & family (at the loss of her sister, JoAnne Hackbarth), John Meyer & family (at the loss of his brother Jeff), the family of Larry Jobes, Dan Kappel & family (at the loss of his father Francis), Joellyn Wicht & family (at the loss of her mother Frances Spielman), Larissa Alvarez & family (at the loss of her grandmother Luci Correa), the family of Fred Hunt, and the family of Diane Lawrence.

**All expecting families and their unborn children**— especially Kyle & Abbie (MacMillan) Gaffaney, Sarah & Luke Wiley. If you would like to announce your pregnancy to the Church that we might pray for you, please contact one of our pastors.

**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 Kantor Dr. Crystal Rossow, together with the Choir members and the Instrumentalists, and also for our Pre-K Teacher Brittany Strohschein.

### † Announcements †

**COVID-19 Preparedness Plan, Phased-Reopening:** *All St. John's events and activities have been cancelled or postponed until further notice, however, we now are able to hold Divine Services, weddings, and funerals that adhere to our protocols, as published in the pastoral letter of May 24, and available in our church's "Covid-19 Preparedness Plan". Please visit our website for the link to these documents and to stay informed as updates can happen quickly.*

**SOCIAL DISTANCING:** Please keep in mind your social distancing awareness and hygiene when entering the building and encountering other individuals; you are encouraged to wear a mask as you enter, exit, or at any time when not social distancing. Our Custodial Staff has been working diligently maintaining disinfection measures throughout the building to help keep our limited staff & visitors safe.

**SPECIAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:** *none this week.*

**VIDEO BIBLE STUDY:** Ephesians: An Epistle for the One Holy Church- in adult Bible study this summer we will study Saint Paul's letter to the Ephesians, one of the most important Epistles in the New Testament and important for our understanding of what the Church is and is here to do. A video recording will be uploaded to the YouTube Channel "Matthew Moss" and shared on Facebook and our website. Enjoy!

July 5- The Mystery of Paul's Apostolic Mandate (Eph. 3:1-13)

July 12- The Revelation of the Mystery Is for their Strengthening and to God's Glory (Eph. 3:14-21)

**MARRIED THIS WEEKEND:** Anneliese Preus and Andrew Stavig were united in Holy Matrimony on Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. May our Lord Jesus bless Anneliese and Andrew as they begin their life together as husband and wife.

**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** has resumed as we take up again the Book of Acts. We will meet via Facebook Live at 9:45 am each Tuesday. This format will allow any questions you might have, simply post a comment and if it is seen it will be answered. This Tuesday we will take up Acts 15 and the first church-wide council, held in Jerusalem.

**MIDWEEK EVENING PRAYER SERVICES** are being live-streamed on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Since our Sunday services will have a reduced liturgy and hymnody, our Kantor has agreed to come on Wednesdays to add music and hymns to this service. New bulletins will be uploaded to our website each week to include the hymns to be sung.

**CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY:** The deacons have decided to enter Fiscal Year 2020-21 with the budget that was approved by the Deacon Council and presented in the packets provided previously. We hope to hold an Assembly to ratify this as soon as possible. Please direct your questions or concerns to Congregational President Erik Preus or contact our Church Secretary if you need another copy of the packet previously published.

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** (July 5 - July 11) ***Sunday-*** Brenna Koehler, ***Monday-*** IslaRose Baltes/LeAnn Cummins/Aria Herman/Joseph Koehler, ***Tuesday-*** Rick Foggia/Sydney Kappel/Jesse Mathwig/Thomas Vogt, ***Wednesday-*** Emmett Bahr/Klair Lindblad/Steve Orbin, ***Thursday-*** Angela Kruse/ Leandro Paguio, ***Friday-*** Paul Fairchild/ Lin Zelinsky, ***Saturday-*** Brandon Maurer Colin Philipp.

<b>FINANCIAL UPDATE</b>	<u>Last Week</u> 06/28/20	<u>Year-to-date</u> since 07/01/19	Current Building Mortgage Balance (June 30, 2020): \$304,769
Total General Fund Receipts-All Sources	\$ 6,119	\$ 1,490,933	
Amount Needed	\$ 19,472	\$ 1,602,898	
Amount Ahead (Behind)	\$ (13,354)	\$ (111,965)	
% Ahead (-Behind)		-7%	

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK (June 28<sup>th</sup>)** Total: 176 CM: 129

*Note: The pastors and kantor are only counted once in both figures above, but take up three of the 75 slots at each service. Also, Safety Team members are positioned in the halls, and do not count against the 75 available spots in the sanctuary, however they are included in the numbers of those present for worship and communing if they communed.*