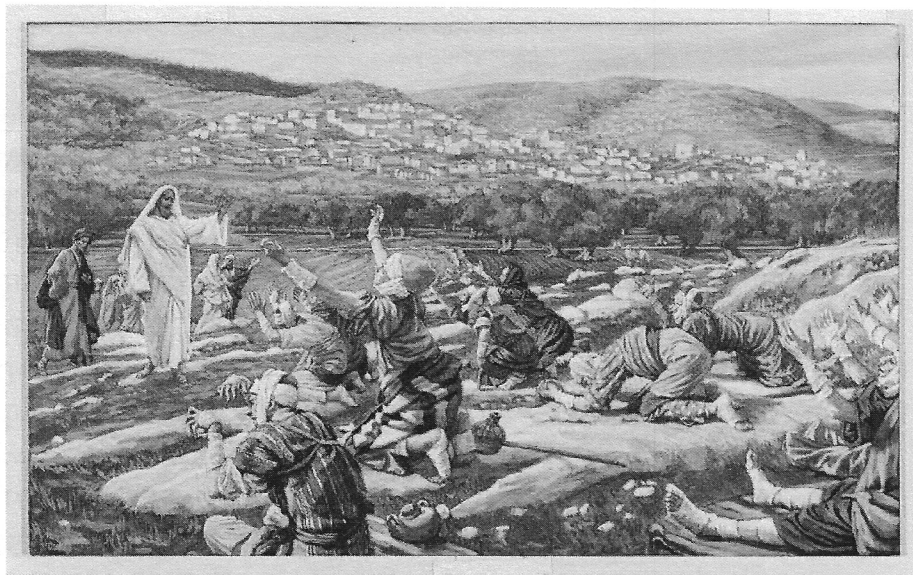


St. John Lutheran Church and Preschool

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Divine Service Setting Three
August 31 & September 1, 2024



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As we prepare for worship together please remember to set your phone to silent mode. Thank You!

Mission Statement: Growing a Christian Community rooted in Faith, Fellowship, and Service

Cover: The Healing of Ten Lepers (Guérison de dix lépreux) - James Tissot, Created: between 1886 and 1894, Brooklyn Museum

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As we gather for this service let us take time to lay aside our thoughts of other things as we prayerfully prepare for the worship of our Lord. Inside the front covers of your hymnal are Prayers For Worship. Additionally inside the back covers of your hymnal are the Nicene and Apostles' Creeds as well as the Lord's Prayer.

Bell tones and Prelude *Lobe Den Herren – K. Hildebrand*
(we prepare in silent prayer during the time of the prelude)

Hymn: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* 790

(As the music begins, please rise to sing)

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Introit: *Psalm 84:1–2a, 4, 10b, 11b; antiphon: vv. 9–10a*



Antiphon: Behold our shield, | O God;*
look on the face of your a- | nointed!
For a day | in your courts*
is better than a thousand | elsewhere.

C: How lovely is your dwelling place, O | LORD of hosts!*
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the LORD.
Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,*
ever sing- | ing your praise!

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house | of my God*
than dwell in the tents of | wickedness.

The LORD bestows favor and | honor.*

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk up- |
rightly.

**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.**

Antiphon

Kyrie - *Lord Have Mercy*

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Hymn Of Praise: *Gloria in Excelsis*

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Salutation and Collect of the Day (Sung)

First Reading: *Proverbs 4: 10-23*

Hear, my son, and receive my sayings, and the years of your life will be many. I have taught you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in right paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hindered, and when you run, you will not stumble. Take firm hold of instruction, do not let go; keep her, for she is your life. Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of evil. Avoid it, do not travel on it; turn away from it and pass on. For they do not sleep unless they have done evil; and their sleep is taken away unless they make someone fall. For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence. But the path of the just is like the shining sun, that shines ever brighter unto the perfect day. The way of the wicked is like darkness; they do not know what makes them stumble. My son, give attention to my words; incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; keep them in the midst of your heart; for they are life to those who find them, and health to all

their flesh. Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle: *Galatians 5: 16-24*

Brethren: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual: *Psalm 92:1-2 – Music Taken from Commune*
Pastorum: Gradualia (V)

A: It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,*
 to sing praises to your name, | O Most High;
 to declare your steadfast love in the | morning,*
 and your faithful- | ness by night.

Alleluia

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Holy Gospel: *Luke 17: 11-19*

P: The Lord be with You.

C: And with your Spirit.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 17th chapter.

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

At that time: As Jesus went to Jerusalem He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has saved you."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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Hymn of the Day *I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus* 729

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Prayer of the Church

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Prayer of Thanksgiving ¹

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¹ *The Prayer of Thanksgiving III – adapted from Apostolic Tradition, Worship Supplement, CPH 1969*

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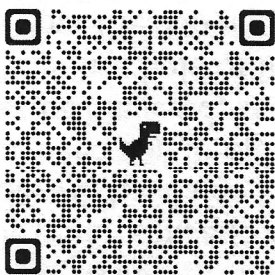
Communion Prayers *During the time before, during and after Communion you may wish to pray while kneeling or sitting in your pew. Prayers are provided for the time of Communion inside the front covers of the hymnals under "Prayers for Worship."*

Post-Communion Collect (Please Rise)**p. 201****Salutation and Benedicamus****p. 201****Benediction****p. 202**

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Rally Day Picnic: Join us on September 8th after worship for a Rally Day Picnic! Sign ups are in the narthex for anyone wishing to bring a dish to this wonderful kick-off to our season!

Support Our Preschool: The preschool has set up a wishlist for supplies and other teaching items on Amazon. Use your cell phone's app to scan this QR code to link directly to the wishlist. You can order and have items shipped directly to the preschool. Thank you for your support.



Joyful Response: Joyful Response is a program we offer here at Saint John Lutheran Church where you can make your contributions to the Lord through online banking if you wish. If you're interested, a form has been included on our website detailing all the information we need from you! When you've completed it, please leave it in the mailbox outside the office door.

News at Saint John

Wednesday Worship: During this season we will explore mid-week Trinity themed readings. We will worship in the Saint John Chapel each Wednesday evening for the Divine Service at 7pm. Join us in God's presence!

Divine Service Setting 3: We anticipate returning to Divine Service Setting 3 over Labor Day weekend in preparation for Rally Day. With Divine Service Setting 3 St. John recovers its roots! This service is the old "Common Service" which was the prevailing English Liturgy in use since 1888 by Lutheran Congregations across America. It seems that St. John began to use this setting back in 1919 and continued its use with the Lutheran Hymnal (TLH) which was produced in 1941. St. John continued to worship with this setting for the majority of its history as did the majority of American Lutheran Churches over the years. May the Lord bless us as we regularly share the Divine Service among us!

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

The Cry of Faith: Lord, Have Mercy

The ten lepers cried out from a distance, “*Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!*” (Luke 17:11–19). Their condition cut them off from God and others. So also do the works of the flesh cut us off from God and others. “*Those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God*” (Gal. 5:16–24). Thus we cry out with the lepers, “*Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy,*” eagerly seeking His good gifts. Jesus said to the lepers, “*Go and show yourselves to the priests.*” And as they went, they were cleansed. So too, we walk by faith and not by sight, being confident of Jesus’ help before we see any evidence of it, trusting that Jesus’ cleansing words of forgiveness will restore us to wholeness in the resurrection. Let us be as the one leper who returned to the true High Priest to give Him thanks and glory. For Jesus bore our infirmities in His sacrifice at Calvary. His words are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh (Prov. 4:10–23).

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