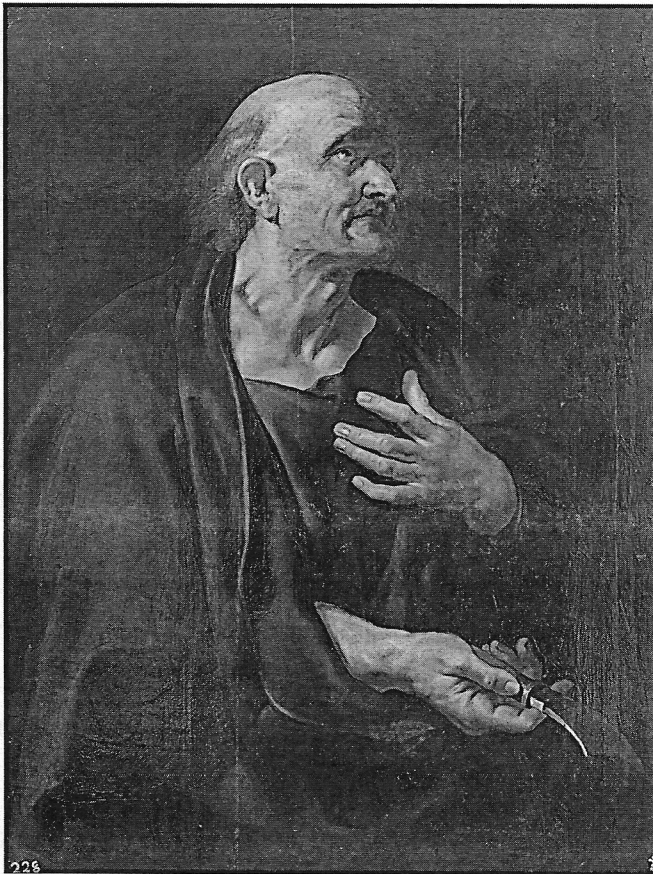


# St. John Lutheran Church and Preschool

*Saint Bartholomew*

**Divine Service Setting One**  
August 24&25, 2024



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**Holy Communion** *The Lord welcomes to his table all who repent of sin and trust in Jesus Christ as Savior. In this meal the Lord is present by a mystery in his body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. As the Lord's Supper is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar and lest any eat and drink unworthily, those who are not yet instructed as members or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Lord's Supper, are asked to first speak to the pastor. Those who are not communing but wishing to receive a blessing are also invited to come forward. Simply bow your head to indicate that a blessing is desired.*

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: *Saint Bartholomew*, Peter Paul Rubens, Museo del Prado, 1611.

**August 24&25, 2024**

*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** *Wojkiewicz – K. Hildebrand*  
*(we prepare in silent prayer during the time of the prelude)*

**Hymn:** *Rise, Shine, You People* **825**

*(As the music begins, please rise to sing)*

**Blessing of New Members** - Chris Dougan, Carlene and Kyle Fox, *with Aidan and Olivia*, Crystal Walsh and Brennen Gurtowski, Ralph Mingolello, Nathan and Kimberly Moran

**Confession And Absolution** **p. 151**

**Introit:** *Psalm 89: 1, 5, 15-16; antiphon: Psalm 119: 46*



**Antiphon:** I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\*

And shall not be | put to shame.

**C:** I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, for-|ever;\*

With my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all gener-|ations.

Let the heavens praise your wonders, | O LORD;\*

Your faithfulness in the assembly of the | holy ones!

Blessed are the people who know the | festal shout,\*

Who walk, O LORD, in the light | of your face,

Who exult in your name | all the day\*

And in your righteousness are ex-|alted.

**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*** **p. 152**

**Hymn Of Praise: *Gloria in Excelsis*** **p. 154**

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day (Sung)**

**First Reading: *Proverbs 3: 1-8***

My son, do not forget my law, but let your heart keep my commands; for length of days and long life and peace they will add to you. Let not mercy and truth forsake you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart, and so find favor and high esteem in the sight of God and man. Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and depart from evil. It will be health to your flesh, and strength to your bones.

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

**C: Thanks be to God.**



**Epistle:** *2 Corinthians 4: 7-10*

Brethren: We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed—always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual:** *Psalm 34: 1-2 – Music Taken from Commune Apostolorum Extra: Gradualia (V)*

**A:** How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the | good news,

Who publish peace and bring good news of sal-|vation.

Their voice has gone out to | all the earth,

And their words to the ends | of the world.

**Alleluia**

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**Holy Gospel:** *Luke 22: 24-30*

P: The Lord be with You.

**C: And with your Spirit.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 22<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that time: There was a dispute among the disciples, as to which of them should be considered the greatest. And He

said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those who exercise authority over them are called ‘benefactors.’ But not so among you; on the contrary, he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves. For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? Yet I am among you as the One who serves. But you are those who have continued with Me in My trials. And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Nicene Creed**

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**Hymn of the Day** *By All Your Saints in Warfare*

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**Sermon**

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

**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)*

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P: The Lord be with You.

**C: And with your Spirit.**

P: Let us pray.

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**Closing Hymn** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

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*(silent prayer)*

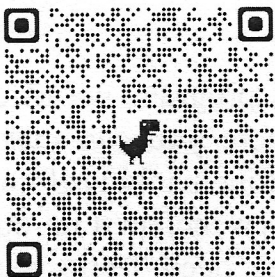
**Postlude**

*Overture – G.F. Handel*

**New Members Reception:** Join us, *August 25<sup>th</sup>*, after service as we celebrate the reception of our new members during coffee hour! We will meet in the lounge for light refreshments, compliments of the Evangelism committee. Let us share fellowship and get to know these new members of our family of faith!

**Rally Day Picnic:** Join us on September 8<sup>th</sup> 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.





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**Offerings for God** The offering box is available in the narthex for our giving.

**Welcome Guests!** Please take a moment to fill out the form in the red Record of Fellowship pads at the end of your pew. This will help us to get to know you as you share worship among us!

**Assisting with our services:** Assistant: Paul Patnoad (Sat), Dan Cox (Sun); Lead Deacon: Diane Foell (Sat), Cissy Kulakowski (Sun); Readers: Lois McCutcheon (Sat), Dan Cox (Sun); Altar Guild: Cathy Poulin (Sat), Kathryn Chester (Sun).

**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!

**St. Bartholomew, Apostle:** The commemoration of life and faith of the Apostle, Bartholomew (also known as Nathanael) has historically been made on August 24th. We will observe this commemoration in our worship that weekend. As the Augsburg Confession states, the memory of the saints may be set before us for good, that we may follow their faith and their good works, in our own calling in life. (AC XXI) This Apostle's life is a picture of a humble and bold profession of faith even as he paid the ultimate price. With the celebration of this date our congregation will be introduced to readings not normally seen in the course of the church year. May we be built up in our faith as we worship our Lord together!

**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!

# What Shall I Render to the Lord

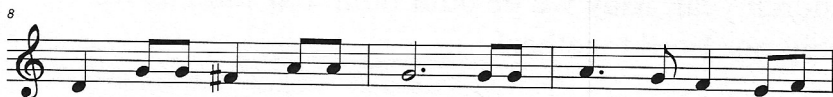
Psalm 116



What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His



4 be - ne - fits to me, I will lift the cup of sal - va - tion and



8 call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the



11 Lord with - in the pre - sence of His peo - ple.