



**They glorified God, saying,  
... "God has visited His people!"**

**Luke 7:16**

## **ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A North American Lutheran Church

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### **Third Sunday After Pentecost**

June 5, 2016

**Greeter This Week:** Marvin & Norrean Sager

**Greeter Next Week:** Glenn & Linda Ruschhaupt

**Reader This Week:** Beverly Bodden

**Reader Next Week:** Jeffery Bennett

**Acolytes This Week:** Marlee Blain

**Acolytes Next Week:** Please sign up

**Altar Guild This Month:** Carol Ann Sagebiel & Cathie Bettge

**Altar Guild Next Month:** M'Liss Moore & Carly Waters

**Communion Assistant This Month:** Brian Wendel

**Communion Assistant Next Month:** Dickie Bettge

**Large Print Bulletins** are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for a copy.

**Busy Bags** are available in the Narthex for all children to enjoy.

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

We the members of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Meyersville, strive to be witnesses for Christ, a Christian family striving to be models and examples to others, loving one another and trying to be friendly to all; acknowledging that we are sinful, but being patient, faithful, giving, caring, forgiving, and forgiven believers.

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

You are invited to commune with us if, as a baptized Christian, you believe that you are a sinner and in need of God's forgiveness; that the body and blood of Jesus are truly present in the Sacrament; that this is more than a symbolic act, but a way God proclaims forgiveness to us who are repentant.

*May your participation increase your faith and strengthen your love for God and one another.*

## HOLY COMMUNION

*The Service begins with the first notes of the prelude. Please show your respect with silent meditation at this time.*

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Stand p. 56: BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

HYMN: LBW #272 “Abide with Me”

p. 57-58: KYRIE

p. 60: HYMN OF PRAISE “This is the Feast”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you,

C **And also with you. (*sung*)**

P Let us pray:

**All: O God, you are the protector of all who trust in you, and beside you, nothing is strong or holy. Multiply your mercy and guide us that while using the good things of this fleeting life, we do not lose hold of the things that endure forever. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Sit CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

1 Kings 17:17-24

<sup>17</sup>After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. <sup>18</sup>And she said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!” <sup>19</sup>And he said to her, “Give me your son.” And he took him from her arms and

carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. <sup>20</sup>And he cried to the Lord, “O Lord my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?” <sup>21</sup>Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the Lord, “O Lord my God, let this child’s life come into him again.” <sup>22</sup>And the Lord listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. <sup>23</sup>And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, “See, your son lives.” <sup>24</sup>And the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is truth.”

## RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 30

<sup>1</sup>I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

<sup>2</sup>**O Lord my God, I cried out to you,  
and you restored me to health.**

<sup>3</sup>You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead;  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

<sup>4</sup>**Sing to the Lord, you servants of his;  
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.**

<sup>5</sup>For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,  
his favor for a lifetime.

<sup>6</sup>**Weeping may spend the night,  
but joy comes in the morning.**

<sup>7</sup>While I felt secure, I said, “I shall never be disturbed.  
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the  
mountains.”

**<sup>8</sup>Then you hid your face,  
and I was filled with fear.**

<sup>9</sup>I cried to you, O Lord;  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

**<sup>10</sup>“What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?  
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?”**

<sup>11</sup>Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me;  
O Lord, be my helper.”

**<sup>12</sup>You have turned my wailing into dancing;  
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.**

<sup>13</sup>Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;  
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks forever.

SECOND READING

Galatians 1:11-24

<sup>11</sup>For I would have you know, brothers, that the gospel that was preached by me is not man’s gospel. <sup>12</sup>For I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>13</sup>For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it.

<sup>14</sup>And I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. <sup>15</sup>But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace, <sup>16</sup>was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone; <sup>17</sup>nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. <sup>18</sup>Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and remained with him fifteen days.

<sup>19</sup>But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord’s brother. <sup>20</sup>(In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie!)

<sup>21</sup>Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia. <sup>22</sup>And I was still

unknown in person to the churches of Judea that are in Christ.  
<sup>23</sup>They only were hearing it said, "He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy."  
<sup>24</sup>And they glorified God because of me.

Stand p. 62 GOSPEL VERSE "Alleluia"

GOSPEL READING

Luke 7:11-17

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*sung*)

<sup>11</sup>Soon afterward {Jesus} went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. <sup>12</sup>As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. <sup>13</sup>And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." <sup>14</sup>Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." <sup>15</sup>And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. <sup>16</sup>Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!" <sup>17</sup>And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*sung*)

Sit SERMON

HYMN: LBW#532 "How Great Thou Art"

Stand p. 65: APOSTLES' CREED

p. 66: SHARING OF THE PEACE

Sit OFFERING

Stand p. 66: OFFERTORY: “Let the vineyards...”  
p. 67: OFFERTORY PRAYER  
p. 68: THE GREAT THANKSGIVING  
p. 70: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER #33 (right column)  
p. 71: LORD’S PRAYER  
p. 72: LAMB OF GOD

Sit DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION  
SOFT HYMNS FOR MEDITATION

Stand p. 72: POST COMMUNION: “Thank the Lord . . .”  
p. 74: PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn #565)  
POSTLUDE



## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

|                  |                                                                                                                                     |
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| <b>Today 6/5</b> | <b>Third Sunday After Pentecost</b><br>9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School<br>10:15 a.m. Worship                                          |
| <b>Mon 6/6</b>   | <b>Office Closed</b>                                                                                                                |
| <b>Tue 6/7</b>   | 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Office Hours                                                                                                   |
| <b>Wed 6/8</b>   | 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Office Hours<br>10:00 a.m. Comm. Service Yorktown Manor<br>1:30 p.m. Quilters<br>7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study |
| <b>Thurs 6/9</b> | 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Office Hours                                                                                                   |
| <b>Fri 6/10</b>  | 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Office Hours                                                                                                   |
| <b>Next Sun</b>  | <b>Fourth Sunday After Pentecost</b><br>8:00 a.m. Property Team Meeting<br>9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School<br>10:15 a.m. Worship      |

*Welcome Visitors! We would like to extend a special welcome to all visitors.  
If you are looking for a church home, we pray you would consider St.  
John's.*

**Sunday, May 29, 2016:**

**Offering:**

Total Offering: \$4,024.00



**Attendance:** Worship- 143 Sunday School- 3 Children, 8 Adults



## **Mission of the Month of June:**



This month's  
Mission  
Project

### **The Boys and Girls Club of DeWitt County** **Mission Statement**

In our community there are hundreds of boys and girls left to find their own recreation and companionship in the streets, or who, in increasing numbers, spend many hours at home with no adult care or supervision. These youngsters often form groups or gangs and risk getting involved with the wrong leaders, eventually finding themselves in serious trouble.

The Boys and Girls club mission is to work with youth of all backgrounds, with a special concern for those from disadvantaged circumstances, to help them develop the skills to become productive citizens and leaders.

The DeWitt county community has needed something like this for a number of years. It has been well accepted by the school districts, the City of Cuero and area church leaders. St. John's own Laurie Pokluda sits on the board of this club. If you have questions Laurie will be glad to answer them.

### **Graduates**

Calling all Graduates! We need all 2016 8<sup>th</sup> grade, high school & college graduates to please fill out the sheet hanging on the Narthex bulletin board. Write your name, where you are graduating from, where you will be going to school or the degree you received. We will acknowledge all graduates in church once we have this information. More details to follow. Thank you.





## Church Camp

Some of our youth will be leaving for Camp Chrysalis today, Please keep them in your prayers for a fruitful journey with Christ. May our youth continue to grow in their faith.

## Acolytes

Please sign up for the 2016 year. A sign-up sheet is hanging on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Thank you to those who have signed up. We still need a lot of dates filled. Thank you.



## Old Stone Church Committee

Old Stone Church meetings will now start at **9:00 am** on the **fourth Wednesday** of January, March, May, September & November. Thank you.



## Vacation Bible School

SAVE THE DATE: VBS Day Camp - August 1<sup>st</sup> through August 5<sup>th</sup> Monday through Friday 8:30 to 3:30. Would you like to be our local contact person?

For more info. call or text Kathy Dunn

361-275-4322. Last year everyone had a great time

growing their Christian faith in this exciting venue of

Christian Fellowship, right here in Meyersville, Texas! Our church is graciously paying all expenses. Day Camp is designed as a seven hour program for youth who have completed grades K-5. Older youth are also needed as Junior Counselors.

### **Cross Trails Ministry will provide...**

-A Day Camp Director and one energetic, college-aged staff member for each ten children

-All materials for a complete program including crafts, games, Bible studies, music and worships

-Souvenir camper t-shirts and water bottles

-Leadership of a closing celebration program for families and the congregation as a whole

### **Our congregation will need to provide...**

-A Local Contact Person and one volunteer, age 14 or older, for every ten children you register

-Local housing and one meal per day for the staff



**PRAYER REQUESTS:** If you have a request for the Prayer Chain, contact Evelyn Diebel. And please update your request at least once a month so the list can be kept current and up to date. If you wish to receive the Prayer Chain requests, please contact Evelyn Diebel (361-275-5979)

**Our Military and their families:**

Nicholas Jacobs - U.S. Air Force, Deployed to Afghanistan

Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves

John Otto - USMC, Cuba

Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army

Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy, USS Philippines

Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy



**Please Pray for:** Lisa Kincart

Adam Womble

Nate Boehl

Pastor Suggs



Crayton Rains & his Family would like to thank everyone for their prayers & support during his recovery. Crayton got his casts off & will have a final follow up with the doctors in 2 weeks!

**Homebound:** Cleo Wendel, Helen Mae Egg, Betty Jo Haun

Prayer request cards are available in the pews and can be filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for your request to be included in the day's prayer. If you have a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side and give to the pastor.

# **Pentecost 3**

June 5, 2016

## **Third Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 5 (Year C)**



The stories of two widows with only sons figure prominently in the scriptures for today. Elijah heals the poor widow of Zaraphath's son after she willingly provides a meal for the prophet. Jesus interrupts a funeral procession to raise a widow's son from the dead. The restoration of health and caring for other physical concerns are among the ways God reveals his presence and power in the lives of those he loves.