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Matthew 5:3-10

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints' Sunday

November 6, 2016

Greeter This Week: Beverly Bodden

Greeter Next Week: Marvin & Norrean Sager

Reader This Week: Beverly Bodden

Reader Next Week: Jeffery Bennett

Acolytes This Week: Morgan Goebel & Jeri Ficklen

Acolytes Next Week: Caroline Roeske

Altar Guild This Month: Pam Haun & Nikki Nagel

Altar Guild Next Month: Betty Diebel & Virginia Jank

Communion Assistant This Month: Glenn Ruschhaupt

Communion Assistant Next Month: Obert Sagebiel

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 #176 *“For All Your Saints, O Lord”*

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: Almighty God, you have knit together your people in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son, Christ, our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys which you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

Revelation 7:(2-8) 9-17

² Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, ³ saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” ⁴ And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

⁵ 12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed, 12,000 from the tribe of

Reuben, 12,000 from the tribe of Gad,

⁶ 12,000 from the tribe of Asher, 12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,

⁷ 12,000 from the tribe of Simeon, 12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,

⁸ 12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun, 12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.)

⁹ After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹ And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴ I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ “Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷ For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 149

¹Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

²**Let Israel rejoice in his Maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.**

³Let them praise his name in the dance;
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

**⁴For the Lord takes pleasure in his people
and adorns the poor with victory.**

⁵Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them be joyful on their beds.

**⁶Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two edged sword in their hand;**

⁷To wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples;

**⁸To bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron;**

⁹To inflict on them the judgment decreed;
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-3

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Stand p. 62 GOSPEL VERSE "Alleluia"

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:1-12

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

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

¹Seeing the crowds, {Jesus} went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

²And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit SERMON

HYMN: WOV #690 “*Shall We Gather at the River*”

Stand p. 65: APOSTLES’ CREED

p. 65: PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

Today 11/6	Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 10:15 a.m. Worship~ All Saints' Sunday <i>*Day Light Saving Time Ends</i> <i>*Youth Group-Lunch & Rocky Creek Maze</i>
Mon 11/7	Office Closed 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice
Tue 11/8	8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Office Hours <i>*Election Day! ~VOTE~</i>
Wed 11/9	8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Office Hours 10:00 a.m. Comm. Service Yorktown Manor 1:30 p.m. Quilters 6:00-8:00 p.m. Youth Group 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
Thurs 11/10	8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Office Hours
Fri 11/11	8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Office Hours <i>*Veterans Day-Thank You Veterans</i>
Next Sun	Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 a.m. Property Team 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 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, October 30, 2016:

Offering:

General \$1780.83, MOM \$1405.00, Sunday School \$67.00, Church Reno. \$835.00, Building \$1,000.00 Total: \$5,087.83

Attendance: Worship-110 Sunday School- 20 Adults, 24 Children

Mission of the Month of November:



Christmas Families 2016

Mission Statement

Our first Christmas family is that of an 80 year old woman who is a widow. She has limited social security income. She has an eye condition that takes her to Richmond, TX several times a year to receive a shot in her eyes. Due to losing her daughter a few years back she finds herself taking care of great grandchildren, because their mother (her granddaughter) has a hard time finding a job because she has been in prison. She strives to create a good home life and stable environment for these children. In addition to the grandchildren she helps care for a sister with health problems by driving her to Dr. appointments in Victoria even though she is not in good health and has a hard time walking because of foot problems. She has home repair issues that include foundation repair and the need to remove a tree which is threatening to fall on her house or garage. She has gotten an estimate of \$2,000.00 just to remove the tree. Nominated by Marlene Dreier who states this woman would never ask for help for herself yet she is always eager to help others.

Our second Christmas family is a single mother of three. She has two girls ages 8 and 10 and a son who is 3. She works as a waitress but has to pay all her bills out of that salary and in addition pay child care for the three year old since the father left the home. She didn't have shoes to work in but has since been given a pair of used shoes that fit well. The person who nominated them said they would be glad to even receive paper goods and laundry soap. Generally we give a check but if anyone would care to give something else in addition please contact Linda Ruschhaupt for more info (361) 275-4990.



St. John
Youth Group

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Today the Youth Group will be visiting the Rocky Creek Maze in Moulton. We will have lunch in the Parish Hall after church and leave from there.

Bunco Party!

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Women of LCMC Invite you to join them for a Bunco Party! Today, November 6th. Registration is at 1:30 & at 2:00 bunco will start. The games will be held in Victoria at 4102 N.

Ben Jordan in the church multipurpose room. **Please RSVP to:** OSL church office (361)575-4305, Mildred Johnston (361)575-4921 or Susie Breeden (361)573-6637.



VOTE

Don't forget to vote here at St. John parish hall or in your precinct on **Tuesday, November 8th!**

Turkey Dinner

With All The Trimmings

Meyersville Country Club
Sunday, November 13, 2016
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

\$10.00 per plate

Plates-To-Go or Dine-In

You can purchase tickets at the Meyersville Store or Contact Brian Wendel @ (361)564-4627



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Finance Team Meeting

There will be a Finance Team Meeting on Monday, November 14th at 7:00 pm.





Thanksgiving Eve Service

Thanksgiving Eve Service will be held here at St. John on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00 pm.

CALLING ALL VOICES!!

If you can consider singing with the CHRISTMAS CHOIR that is now forming, please get with Brenda Boor for a free CD of the music. You can listen at your leisure, and maybe you will be inspired to add your voice to this choral worship. Practices will be at 6:00 pm on Monday evenings from now until the week before Christmas-working together to craft a beautiful musical offering. All are welcome!



CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM

Will you help us with this centerpiece of our Christmas Celebration of Jesus' birth?

Please call or text:

Kathy Dunn 361-275-4322 or

Wanda Hays 361-648-4033



CHURCH RENOVATION FUND

On August 28, 2016, our congregation voted to establish a fund for installation of the elevator and other church renovations. Anyone wishing to give to the renovation project may do so by designating "Church Renovation" or "Elevator Fund" on their check or on the pew giving envelope.



ACOLYTES



Please sign up to acolyte for the upcoming months. Thank you.

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, Norfolk, VA

Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Germany

Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Jennifer Cornett - U.S. Air Force



Please Pray for: Lisa Kincart
Adam Womble
Nate Boehl
Hunter Jacob
Glynn Yurick

Homebound: Cleo Wendel, Helen Mae Egg, Bette 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.



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All Saints Sunday

November 6, 2016

All Saints Sunday (Year C)



All Saints is the day when we remember those who came before us in faith, who ran the race and persevered until the end. Our hope is grounded in the resurrection of Christ as we think of our loved ones who have passed from this earthly life to a life that continues even more fully in the presence of God. We have much to be joyful about as we meditate upon God's great love and faithfulness to his people.