

ONE PEARL OF GREAT VALUE

Matthew 13:46



ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Contemporary Worship Service

July 30, 2017

Greeter This Week: Youth Group

Greeter Next Week: Beverly Bodden

Reader This Week: Marlee Blain

Reader Next Week: Dickie Bettge

Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed

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Altar Guild This Month: Betty Diebel & Virginia Jank

Altar Guild Next Month: Carol Ann Sagebiel & Cathie Bettge

Communion Assistant This Month: Dickie Bettge

Communion Assistant Next Month: Brian Wendel

Large Print Bulletins are available on the narthex table. Please ask an usher for a copy if you would like one.

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.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING SONGS
RINGING of the BELL
ANNOUNCEMENTS
PRAISES & CONCERNS

Clay Crockett introduces band and 204 Ministries

Stand

“Chain Breaker” Zach Williams (2016)

If you've been walking the same old road for miles and miles
If you've been hearing the same old voice tell the same old lies
If you're trying to feel the same old holes inside
There's a better life, There's a better life.

If you've got pain, He's a pain taker. If you feel lost, He's a way maker
If you need freedom or saving, He's a prison-shaking Savior.
If you've got chains, He's a chain breaker.

We've all search for the light of day in the dead of night
We've all found ourselves worn out from the same old fight
We've all run to things we know just ain't right.
And there's a better life, There's a better life.

If you've got pain, He's a pain taker. If you feel lost, He's a way maker.
If you need freedom or saving, He's a prison-shaking Savior.
If you've got chains, He's a chain breaker.

If you believe it, If you receive it, If you can feel it, Somebody testify.

If you believe it, If you receive it. If you can feel it, Somebody testify, testify.

If you believe it, If you receive it, If you can feel it, Somebody testify

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray

All O God, your almighty power is most clearly shown in your mercy and pity. Multiply your grace that we may run to your promises and be made to share in your heavenly joy; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

"This Is Amazing Grace"

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Chorus

This is amazing grace,
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You lay down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh, Jesus, I sing for
All that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory, the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
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Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy, worthy, worthy
Oh

Chorus

"Thrive"

Here in this worn and weary land,
Where many a dream has died

Like a tree planted by the water
We never will run dry

So living water flowing through
God we thirst for more of You
Fill our hearts and flood our souls
With one desire

Just to know You and
To make You known
We lift Your name on High
Shine like the sun make darkness run and hide
We know we were made for so much more
Than ordinary lives
It's time for us to more than just survive
We were made to thrive

Into Your word we're digging deep
To know our Father's heart

Into the world we're reaching out
To show them who You are

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Joy Unspeakable, Faith Unsinkable, Love Unstoppable, Anything is possible
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Hey! We were made to Thrive

Scripture Reading Romans 8:28-39

Marlee Blain

Sit SERMON

Stand

“Holy Spirit”

There's nothing worth more
That could ever come close
Nothing can compare
You're our living hope
Your presence, Lord
I've tasted and seen
Of the sweetest of loves

Where my heart becomes free
And my shame is undone
Your presence, Lord

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord

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To be overcome by Your presence, Lord
Your presence, Lord

Let us become more aware of Your presence
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness
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To be overcome by Your presence, Lord

“Baptism Hymn”

Sit *Holy Baptism* (LBW pg. 121)

Share the Peace

Sit Offering

“O Come to the Altar” -Elevation Worship

Are you hurting and broken within?
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?

Jesus is calling

Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?

Jesus is calling

O come to the altar

The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ
Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait

Jesus is calling

Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born

Jesus is calling

O come to the altar

The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

O come to the altar

The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Oh what a savior

Isn't He wonderful?

Sing hallelujah,...

“Lion and the Lamb”

He's coming on the clouds
Kings and kingdoms will bow down
Every chain will break
As broken hearts declare His praise
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

Our God is a lion
The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power
And fighting our battles
Every knee will bow before Him
Our God is a lamb
The lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world
His blood breaks the chains
Every knee will bow before the lion and the lamb
Every knee will bow before him

Open up the gates
Make way before the King of Kings
The God who comes to save
Is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

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“Good Good Father” -Chris Tomlin

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think you're like
But I've heard the tender whispers of love in the dead of night
And you tell me that you're pleased
And that I'm never alone
You're a good good father
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am
I've seen many searching for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching
For answers only you provide
'Cause you know just what we need
Before we say a word
You're a good good father
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am
Because you are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways to us
You are...
You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways to us
Oh, it's love so undeniable
I, I can hardly speak

Peace so unexplainable
I, I can hardly think
As you call me deeper still
As you call me deeper still
As you call me deeper still
Into love, love, love
You're a good good father
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am
You're a good good father
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am
You're a good good father
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am
You're a good good father
You are perfect in all of your ways
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
You are perfect in all of your ways
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am
Songwriters: Anthony Brown / Joseph Patrick Martin Barrett
Good Good Father lyrics © Capitol Christian Music Group

BENEDICTION

“At Your Name” - Phil Wickham

At Your name
The mountains shake and crumble
At Your name
The oceans roar and tumble
At Your name
Angels will bow
The earth will rejoice
Your people cry out
Lord of all the earth
We shout Your name, shout Your name
Filling up the skies
With endless praise, endless praise
Yahweh, Yahweh
We love to shout Your name, oh Lord
At Your name
The morning breaks in glory
At Your name
Creation sings Your story
At Your name
Angels will bow
The earth will rejoice
Your people cry out
Lord of all the earth
We shout Your name, shout Your name
Filling up the skies
With endless praise, endless praise
Yahweh, Yahweh
We love to shout Your name, oh Lord
There is no one like our God
We will praise you, praise you
There is no one like our God
We will sing, we will sing
There is...
There is no one like our God
We will praise you, praise you
There is no one like our God
We will sing, we will sing
There is no one like our God

We will praise you, praise you
There is no one like our God
We will sing, we will sing
There is no one like our God
We will praise you, praise you
Jesus you are God
We will sing
Lord of all the earth
We shout Your name, shout Your name
Filling up the skies
With endless praise, endless praise
Yahweh, Yahweh
We love to shout Your name, oh Lord
Lord of all the earth
We shout Your name, shout Your name
Filling up the skies
With endless praise, endless praise
Yahweh, Yahweh
We love to shout Your name, oh Lord

Songwriters: Mallory Wickham / Phil Wickham
At Your Name lyrics © Capitol Christian Music Group, Music Services, Inc

P Go in Peace, Serve the Lord!

C **Thanks be to God!**

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 7/30	Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
10:15 a.m.	Worship~Contemporary Service with 204 Ministries, Clay Crockett's Worship Band
4:00 p.m.	Youth meeting with VBS Counselors in the Parish Hall
Mon 7/31	Office Closed
	VBS 8:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m. (*bring a sack lunch)
Tues 8/1	VBS 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. (*bring a sack lunch)
	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
	7:00 p.m. Worship Team Meeting
Wed 8/2	VBS 8:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m. (*bring a sack lunch)
	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
Thurs 8/3	VBS 8:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m. (*bring a sack lunch)
	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
Fri 8/4	VBS 8:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m. (*bring a sack lunch)
	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
Next Sun	Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
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, July 23, 2017

Offering: General \$1,293.00, MOM \$470.00, NALC \$292.00, Building \$5.00, Old Stone Church \$13.00, Church Reno \$130.00 **Total: \$2,203.00**

Attendance: Worship - 119



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**PRAISE OF THANKS!!!**



St. John Church would like to say **THANK YOU** very **much to 204 Ministries** for donating their time & talent and for supporting our worship here at St. John & the surrounding area. There is a free will offering basket in the Narthex of the church to help defray travel expenses & to help support 204 Ministries. There are also 204 Ministries T-Shirts available for purchase in the Narthex.

To learn more, visit:

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<http://www.204ministries.org/>

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Mission of the Month of July



Make A Wish Foundation

Make-A-Wish® Central & South Texas has granted more than 3,000 wishes to area children living with life-threatening medical conditions. Experience the stories of those who know firsthand the power of a wish-come-true.

Make-A-Wish® grants a wish, on average, every 38 minutes to a child with a life-threatening medical condition. Wishes come in all shapes and sizes. Some are heartfelt or jaw-dropping, funny or tear-jerkers.

Wish Impact: According to the results of a 2011 Wish Impact Study that surveyed wish parents, health professionals, and Make-A-Wish® volunteers, a wish come true empowers children with life-threatening medical conditions to fight harder against their illnesses. When wish kids are granted a wish, they get more than just a great experience for a day, two days, or a week. That experience improves the quality of life for them and their entire family.

Health professionals treating them say the wish experience is an important adjunct to medical treatment, and they observe their patients feel better and comply more readily with treatment protocols when they experience their wish come true. And the community volunteers who grant wishes say the wish granting process heightens both their ability to see the best in others, and their commitment to actively help more people in need.

Improved Health Status

*Health professionals who treat wish kids, including nurses and doctors, overwhelmingly believe that the wish experience can improve a wish kids' Physical health.

*Most health professionals say a wish come true has the potential to be a positive turning point in the child's battle for health.

*Parents and volunteers observe that a wish come true makes kids feel stronger and more energetic.

*Wish kids are more willing to comply with difficult, but vital, treatment regimens.

*Parents and medical professionals alike describe the wish experience as a frequent turning point in wish kids' battles for health.

*A combined 89 percent of doctors, nurses and health professionals surveyed say they believe a wish experience can influence wish kids' physical health.**

These folks granted a wish to our own Hunter Jacob. Make A wish has an excellent rating on Charity Navigator.

HOLY BAPTISM



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Today we welcome as a member by Holy Baptism *Casen Thomas Waters*, son of *Chris & Carly Waters*. Sponsors for his Baptism are *Krissy Daniels and Colton Frontz*.

Save the Date for Summer Day Camp

July 31st through August 4th 8:30am - 3:30pm

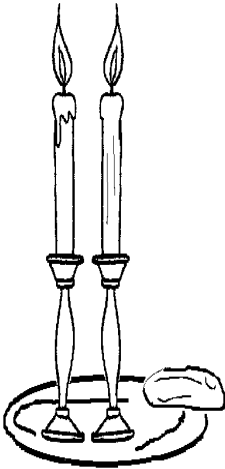
Four Camp Counselors from Luther Hill in LaGrange will lead our youth in Worship, Music, Activities and lots of fun. Day Camp is open to youth ages 6 through 12 (5 year olds can sign up if they will be 6 by the time school starts or by September 1st). All older youth are needed to help as Junior Counselors. Contact Kathy Dunn for more info: 361-275-4322.



****Please note: Your child should bring a sack lunch each day & wear play clothes.**

In Search Of

The Worship team is asking/looking for information about the two "silver" altar candlesticks/candleholders. Specifically who donated them and/or approximately when. We are considering having them refurbished and the idea was mentioned that we also consider having them changed to a brass finish, if this is financially feasible or possible. Please let someone on the team, Pastor, or the office know of your information or your thoughts on these matters-especially when and how, etc. the "silver" altar candlesticks/candleholders were given to the church. Thank you!



Quilting

There will be no quilting on Wednesdays during the months of July & August.





We keep the family of Bruce A. Weise in our Prayers, whose Aunt Alice Potcinske passed away. May God comfort you at your time of loss.

Summer Sunday School

~Sunday school will be closed all of July and most of August.



Rally Sunday and Backpack Blessing

Meyersville Lutheran Church will celebrate Rally Sunday, the beginning of our Sunday School year, along with Backpack Blessings for School, on August 13, at 9 am. We will have a Bounce House and explore Fruits of the Spirit with games and prayer stations. All youth three years and older are invited!

Kathy Dunn (361) 275-4322 and
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.



Attention Acolytes

Please see the acolyte sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Volunteers are needed for the upcoming months!





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,
Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada
Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves
John Otto - USMC, Cuba
Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Kentucky
Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy
Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy
Jennifer Cornett - U.S. Air Force
Lee Magrauder - U.S. Army, Afghanistan
Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force



Please Pray for: Adam Womble
Nate Boehl
Hunter Jacob
Glynn Yurick
Mike Meyer
Kenny Jacob

Nursing Home: Arlen Mueller, Yorktown Nursing & Rehabilitation

Homebound: 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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Or visit our website at: stjohnmeyersville.org

Pentecost 8

July 30, 2017

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 12 (Year A)



When God makes a promise, he keeps it for all time. That is evidenced in the Scriptures for today's worship. His love, care, and protection mean that he will never abandon those he calls his own, those he ushers into the kingdom of heaven. Jesus teaches his disciples that this kingdom is often hidden from view, but it is like a priceless treasure that is to be cherished and valued above all else.



“God is a master who knows how to convert whatever would hinder and harm us into that which furthers and helps us. Whatever is intended to take our life must preserve it. Whatever would cause us to sin and damn us must help to strengthen our faith and hope, must make our prayer more fervent and cause it to be heard more richly.”

— Martin Luther —