



All sins
will be
forgiven

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A North American Lutheran Church

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Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 10, 2018

Greeter This Week: Marvin & Norrean Sager

Greeter Next Week: Glenn & Linda Ruschhaupt

Reader This Week: Kernell Moritz

Reader Next Week: Wanda Hays

Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed

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Altar Guild This Month: Dee Moeller & Beverly Bodden

Altar Guild Next Month: MayDell Jacob & Brenda Boor

Communion Assistant This Month: Wanda Hays

Communion Assistant Next Month: Johnny Jank

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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 #400 "God, Whose Almighty Word"

page 57-58: KYRIE

page 59: HYMN OF PRAISE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

The Serpent Deceived Me

The first human beings succumbed to the temptations of the devil, who was in the form of a serpent in the garden. God came looking for the couple, but in their shame they hid themselves from him. The repercussions of their lack of trust in God were that they would be banished from his presence, and that there would be distrust and conflict between them. They would have to work the land and experience pain.

⁸{Adam and Eve} heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." ¹⁴The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

RESPONSIVE READING

I Wait for the Lord

The psalmist sang to God, asking him to hear his voice. In the Lord there is forgive-ness and mercy. He cried out to Israel to hope in the Lord, for he is the source of redemption for the people.

Psalm 130

(Page 538, RSV Pew Bible)

¹Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice;
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

**²If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss,
O Lord, who could stand?**

³For there is forgiveness with you;
therefore you shall be feared.

**⁴I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my hope.**

⁵My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.

**⁶O Israel, wait for the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy;**

⁷With him there is plenteous redemption,
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

SECOND READING

We Do Not Lose Heart

Paul explained to the Christians in Corinth that even though there are struggles in the life of faith, we do not cling to things that we can see. It is the things that we cannot see that are the source of our strength. Even though our bodies waste away, he proclaimed, our inner lives are being renewed and strengthened by Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

(Page 1006, RSV Pew Bible)

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

¹For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Stand page 62: GOSPEL VERSE “Alleluia”

GOSPEL READING

Mark 3:20-35

(Page 869-870, RSV Pew Bible)

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 3rd chapter.

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

²⁰Then {Jesus} went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that {Jesus and the apostles} could not even eat. ²¹And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, “He is out of his mind.”

²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and “by the prince of demons he casts out the demons.” ²³And he called them to him and said to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” — ³⁰for they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.” ³¹And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³²And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you.” ³³And he answered them, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” ³⁴And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit MESSAGE

HYMN: LBW #365 “*Built on a Rock*”

Stand page 65: APOSTLES’ CREED

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Stand page 66: SHARING OF THE PEACE

Sit OFFERING

Stand page 75: OFFERTORY “Create in Me”
page 76: PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH
page 76: THE LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN: LBW #229 “*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*”

P Go in peace, serve the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn #565)

POSTLUDE



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St. John Meyersville

<https://www.facebook.com/Stjohnmeyersville>

Or visit our website at: stjohnmeyersville.org

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 6/10	Third Sunday after Pentecost
	8:00 a.m. Property Team Meeting
	9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
	10:15 a.m. Worship
Mon 6/11	Office Closed
	7:00 p.m. Finance Team Meeting
Tues 6/12	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
Wed 6/13	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
	10:00 a.m. Comm. Service Yorktown Manor
	1:30 p.m. Quilters
Thurs 6/14	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
Fri 6/15	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
Next Sun	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
	9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
	10:15 a.m. Worship
	<i>~Father's Day!~</i>

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.



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.

Sunday, June 3, 2018

General \$3,973.25, MOM \$515.00, Cemetery \$3.00, OSC \$50.00, Organ \$20.00, Building \$45.00, Sunday School \$56.00, Church Reno. \$5,625.00
Total : \$10,287.25

Attendance: Worship - 84 Sunday School - 2 - Children, 11 - Adults

Mission of the Month of June



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.

Attention Acolytes

Please see the acolyte sign-up sheet for 2018-2019 in the Narthex. Volunteers are needed.





Special Prayers for Cole

Cole is home now and able to be with his family & friends. Though he has a long road ahead of him, God has been with him every step of the way.

We ask for your continued prayers for Cole's recovery and for spiritual strength, strong faith and unlimited patience for him and his family. Thank you and may God bless you all.



Ways you can help the Ohrt family:

- **Cole's Benefit Account - New First National Bank - make checks payable to Garrett or Julie Ohrt. Can make deposits at the branch or pm me for an address to mail a check to and we will take care of depositing for you.**
- **PayPal account - coleohrtfund@gmail.com - Please send funds as friend or family and put a note on what money is for - donation, payment for raffle, football pots, or shirts (please do not send funds for shirts without ordering from Sarah Rowlands first)**

Vacation Bible School

VBS Day Camp --Save the Date! As you plan your summer vacations, please remember that VBS Day Camp is July 8 – 13th. Our church is graciously paying \$1600 for 4 Camp Counselors from Luther Hill to come to our church for this week and we hope to have 30 to 40 Youth here. Free Christian day care from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm M-F for youth ages 6 – 12, and great Christian leadership training for older youth.



Church Renovation Update

At a called congregation meeting on May 20, 2018 our congregation took a huge step in approving the construction of the elevator renovation at a cost of \$538,292 by an overwhelming majority vote. The contractor has approximately 175 days to complete the project. To date contributions of approximately \$265,000 have come in for the renovation. The contractor must be paid as work is completed so we encourage everyone to prayerfully consider giving generously to this project.



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 at (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, North Carolina
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
Jeff Zengerle - Victoria Texas Army National Guard
Michael Petrash II - Iraq



Please Pray for: Adam Womble
Nate Boehl
Hunter Jacob
Glynn Yurick
Kenny Jacob
Cole Ohrt
Carlton Migura
Robby Bitterly
Carly Waters
Clifford Haun
Wanda Rangnow

Nursing Home: Marjorie Ideus, Yorktown Nursing & Rehabilitation

Homebound: Bette Jo Haun

Pentecost 3

June 10, 2018

Third Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 5 (Year B)



The reality of sin is something that we simply cannot escape. Evil is present in the world, and it has a terrible impact. St. Paul called sin the “old Adam,” and Luther understood it as a struggle that only ends at the grave. Behind all sin is the deep need to be in control of our own lives, choices, and actions. We recognize and appreciate God’s power over us when we fear, love, and trust God above all else.



“Thus must the Church of Christ continually engage in the work of expelling the devil. Her warfare with the wicked old serpent, who shows his fangs with a bitter determination to establish his dominion, is a perpetual one.”

— Martin Luther —

Church Postil, Sermon on Luke 11:14-28