

#### ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# **Second Sunday of Pentecost**

June 3, 2018

Greeter This Week: Candy Cowley

Greeter Next Week: Marvin & Norrean Sager

Reader This Week: Caden Jander Reader Next Week: Kernell Moritz Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed Acolytes Next Week: Volunteer Needed

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.

### **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 #522 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

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: Work in us a perpetual reverence and love for you, O Lord, for we know that those who come to love your ways are never disappointed in the path on which you are guide. 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

## Remember the Sabbath Day

The Lord commanded Israel to observe the seventh day as a day of rest. This day was to be set apart to the Lord. The command included all those who lived in the household, including the working animals. The Lord used Moses to remind Israel that they were once slaves in Egypt, but now they were free.

Deuteronomy 5:12-15 (Page 156, RSV Pew Bible) <sup>12</sup>{Moses said,} "'Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work, <sup>14</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or

your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup>You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day."

#### RESPONSIVE READING

#### Praise God with Music

The psalmist encouraged the congregation to sing aloud to God and praise his name, for he brought Israel's ancestors out of Egypt and delivered them. In the wilderness they complained against the Lord, but the Lord promised to fill their mouths with good things and protect them from their enemies.

Psalm 81:1-10 (Page 511, RSV Pew Bible)

<sup>1</sup>Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

<sup>2</sup>Raise a song and sound the timbrel, the merry harp, and the lyre.

<sup>3</sup>Blow the ram's horn at the new moon, and at the full moon, the day of our feast.

<sup>4</sup>For this is a statute for Israel, a law of the God of Jacob.

<sup>5</sup>He laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, when he came out of the land of Egypt.

<sup>6</sup>I heard an unfamiliar voice saying, "I eased his shoulder from the burden; his hands were set free from bearing the load."

<sup>7</sup>You called on me in trouble, and I saved you;
I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

# <sup>8</sup>Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

<sup>9</sup>There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not worship a foreign god.

<sup>10</sup>I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, "Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."

#### SECOND READING

#### We Proclaim Jesus is Lord

Paul clearly stated that the message he and his companions proclaimed was not a message about themselves. It was a message of Jesus Christ, of whom they were servants. The message is a treasure but it is carried to the world by fragile humans, whom Paul called "jars of clay." Christ is at work in believers; he is our life.

<sup>5</sup>For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. <sup>8</sup>We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup>persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup>always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. <sup>11</sup>For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. <sup>12</sup>So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Stand p. 62 GOSPEL VERSE "Alleluia"

Mark 2:23-28 [3:1-6]

(Page 869, RSV Pew Bible)

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord. (sung)

<sup>23</sup>One Sabbath {Jesus} was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. <sup>24</sup>And the Pharisees were saying to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" <sup>25</sup>And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: <sup>26</sup>how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?" <sup>27</sup>And he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. <sup>28</sup>So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."

[¹Again {Jesus} entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. ²And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come here." ⁴And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.]

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ. (sung)

Sit SERMON

HYMN: LBW #294 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

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



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## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 6/3 Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

*10:15 a.m.* Worship

Mon 6/4 Office Closed

**Tues 6/5** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours

**Wed 6/6** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours

1:30 p.m. Quilters

**Thurs 6/7** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours

**Fri 6/8** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours

7:00 p.m. Community Rain Service

**Next Sun** 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

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.

Welcome P to Our Church

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, May 27, 2018

General \$2,400.50, MOM \$355.00, Cemetery \$20.00, Youth Group \$20.00, Sunday School \$55.00, Church Reno. \$458.00 **Total: \$3,308.50** 

Attendance: Worship - 90 Sunday School - 4 - Children, 7 - 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.



# **Community Rain Service**

There will be a community prayer service for rain here at St. John, this Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.



# **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 <u>coleohrtfund@gmail.com</u> 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  $8-13^{th}$ . 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 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 for 2018-2019 in the Narthex. Volunteers are needed.

**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

**Please Pray for:** Adam Womble

Nate Boehl Hunter Jacob Glynn Yurick Kenny Jacob Sandy Gohmert Jimmy Caskey Cole Ohrt

Carlton Migura
Britany Jank
Robby Bitterly
Carly Waters
Clifford Haun
Wanda Rangnow

Nursing Home: Marjorie Ideus, Yorktown Nursing & Rehabilitation

Homebound: Bette Jo Haun

# Pentecost 2

June 3, 2018

# Second Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 4 (Year B)



The Sabbath day was meant to be a gift. As God rested from six days of labor creating all that exists out of nothing, so God's children were commanded to rest and be in communion with the Creator on the seventh day. Taken the principle to its extreme, the Pharisees in Jesus' day criticized the disciples of Christ for plucking grain on the Sabbath. But Jesus corrected them, saying the Sabbath was made for humanity.



"We should fear and love God so that we do not despise his Word and the preaching of it, but acknowledge it as holy, and gladly hear and learn it."

-Martin Luther - Explanation to the Third Commandment Small Catechism