

What have You to do with me, Jesus?



ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A North American Lutheran Church

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2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 23, 2019

Greeter This Week: Daren & Dawn Otto

Greeter Next Week: Youth Group

Reader This Week: Dickie Bettge

Reader Next Week: Caden Jander

Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed

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Altar Guild This Month: Dee Moeller & Beverly Bodden

Altar Guild Next Month: Pam Haun & Nikki Carver

Communion Assistant This Month: Dickie Bettge

Communion Assistant Next Month: Pam Haun

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 #328 *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"*

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 For those who love you, O God, you have chosen and prepared what no eye has seen nor ear heard. Pour into our hearts a loving affection for you, that we may choose you in and above all things. For only then shall we have what you promise, which far exceeds all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING

God Was Ready

God was ready to forgive an idolatrous people, but they neither sought him nor wanted him. Even though Israel had strayed from worshiping the Lord and provoked God's anger with their sacrifices to false gods, He still waited for them to seek him and return to him. The Lord offers redemption to those who are faithful to him.

Isaiah 65:1-9

(Page 643-644, RSV Pew Bible)

¹I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me; I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that was not called by my name. ²I spread out my hands all the day to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and making offerings on bricks; ⁴who sit in tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat pig's flesh, and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels; ⁵who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all the day. ⁶Behold, it is written before me: "I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their lap ⁷both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities

together, says the Lord; because they made offerings on the mountains and insulted me on the hills, I will measure into their lap payment for their former deeds.”⁸ Thus says the Lord: “As the new wine is found in the cluster, and they say, ‘Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,’ so I will do for my servants’ sake, and not destroy them all. ⁹I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, and from Judah possessors of my mountains; my chosen shall possess it, and my servants shall dwell there.”

RESPONSIVE READING

The Lord Sustained Me

David’s cry to the Lord pointed to great sorrow over his enemies’ attacks. Many taunted him because he trusted the Lord saying, “There is no salvation in God.” But David’s faith would not be thwarted, “You are a shield about me,” he praised.

Psalm 3

(Page 465-466, RSV Pew Bible)

¹Lord, how many adversaries I have!

how many there are who rise up against me!

²**How many there are who say of me,**

“There is no help for him in his God.”

³But you, O Lord, are a shield about me;

you are my glory, the one who lifts up my head.

⁴**I call aloud upon the Lord,**

and he answers me from his holy hill;

⁵I lie down and go to sleep;

I wake again, because the Lord sustains me.

⁶**I do not fear the multitudes of people**

who set themselves against me all around.

⁷Rise up, O Lord; set me free, O my God;

surely, you will strike all my enemies across the face, you will break the teeth of the wicked.

⁸**Deliverance belongs to the Lord.**

Your blessing be upon your people!

SECOND READING

In Christ We are Children of God

Before Jesus came to earth, it was the Law that was our guardian and guide. The Law kept taught us virtue and pointed us to the will and ways of God. But with Christ, we have a new reality - in Christ, those who believe, have been adopted as sons and daughters of God, heirs according to the promises of God.

²³Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. ²⁷For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. ¹I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ²but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. ³In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. ⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Stand page 62: GOSPEL VERSE "Alleluia"

GOSPEL READING

Luke 8:26-39

(Page 898-899, RSV Pew Bible)

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 8th chapter.

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

²⁶{Jesus and his disciples} sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." ²⁹For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. ³¹And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. ³²Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and drowned. ³⁴When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. ³⁶And those who had

seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit MESSAGE

HYMN: LBW #359 *“In Christ There Is No East or West”*

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

HYMN: WOV #775

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Lord, listen to Your children praying,
Lord, send Your spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to Your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace!

page 76: THE LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN: LBW #400 *“God, Whose Almighty Word”*

P Go in peace, serve the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn #565)

POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

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| Today 6/23 | Second Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:15 a.m. Worship |
| Mon 6/24 | Office Closed |
| Tues 6/25 | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting |
| Wed 6/26 | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 1:30 p.m. Quilters |
| Thurs 6/27 | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours |
| Fri 6/28 | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours |
| Next Sun | Third Sunday after Pentecost 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.



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 16, 2019

General \$726.00, MOM \$445.00, NALC \$10.00, VBS \$20.00, Youth \$10.00, Building \$35.00, Cemetery \$40.00, Church Reno. \$1,240.00 **Total : \$2,526.00**

Attendance: Worship - 65

Mission of the Month of June



Lutheran Military Veterans and Families Ministries

LMVFM is a Christian non-profit (501c3) faith based ministry. We are dedicated to serving military veterans, military contractor and their families in need of care and assistance, regardless of their faith or religious affiliation. We offer resources, assistance and training to congregations and other care providers to assist veterans, military contractors and their family members. [Learn More](#)

Serving with Christ's love those who serve"

We provide free counseling, programs and services to military veterans, contractors and their family members.

We offer training, resources and assistance to congregations across denominational lines and to care providers, groups to equip them with the tools and information they need to assist America's veterans, contractors and their family members.

Lutheran Military Veterans & Families Ministries is a faith-based 501(c)(3) ministry. All gifts and donations are tax exempt. In keeping with our beliefs we do not accept any form of government funding or resources.

Helping veterans let go of their past, engage in the present, and have hope for the future.

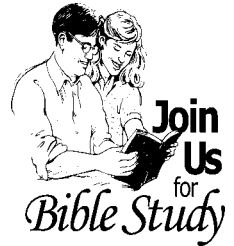
NALC Disaster Relief



We will continue collecting **Health Kits** and **Flood Buckets** for the **NALC Disaster Relief** indefinitely. Because the Texas warehouse was totally depleted of all the disaster relief items during the recent tornadoes and flooding in the midwest we will continue to try to stock it for the next need. The instructions for building them are in the back of the church in a folder. Norrean Sager has made about 30 bags for the health kits and Norrean or Linda will be glad to get as many as you need from storage. If you just want to purchase some of the items, Linda will put it together. Leave the items in the kitchen at church. Linda will collect them if you let her know - (361) 275-2059.

Bible Study

What does it mean to be a disciple of Christ? The dictionary describes a disciple as a follower, student or apprentice of a teacher or leader. Our Sunday Morning Bible study begins a new Two Part series titled "Disciples of the Cross". Part one is "Who We Are" and will be followed by Part Two, "What We Do". Our group invites you to join us for this interesting look at "what it means to be a disciple of Christ and how that plays itself out in many areas of life and ministry." Just get up a little earlier and come in for a cup of coffee, a couple of donut holes or a cookie or two, some fun fellowship and a discussion of our lesson and current events each Sunday morning. We would love to have your input.



Communion Cards

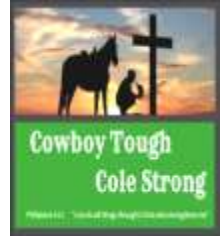
St. John provides tan cards in the pew backs that need to be filled out on communion Sundays. Please provide the names of those attending communion and check attending communion at the bottom. You may place these cards in the offering plate. This helps us keep count of communion attendance. Thank you!





Special Prayers for Cole

~UPDATE~



After extensive research, many prayers and overwhelming support, Cole is in China for treatment of his injury. It is felt this is the best chance for his recovery. Cole will be in China possibly up to six months for this treatment. We ask that you will keep Cole and his family in your prayers each and every day as they continue on this difficult journey. God has been with Cole every step of the way and by faith we know he will continue to do so. We want to thank each and every one for the past thoughts, prayers and support for Cole and his family. They have truly been a blessing. May God bless you all.

+Please pray at 12:00 PM daily for Cole+

At his request, these are the prayers he has on his list:

Healing- physical, emotional & spiritual

To help family stay strong

Patience

Stay positive

The drive to keep trying (perseverance)

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Church Renovation Update



Roth is currently finishing up installing the elevator. Once installed, they can then complete the masonry and will begin installing the metal roof immediately thereafter. Canopy is to be installed in May. The estimated costs for construction, change orders, materials testing, architect, and incidentals are \$599,553. We are required to pay as construction progresses so the bills are coming in on a regular basis. This project received almost unanimous support so we ask that you prayerfully consider giving generously to this project.

GOAL: \$599,553 RECEIVED AS OF June 16, 2019: \$400,192

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, Camp Lejeune, NC

Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Kentucky

Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Jennifer Cornett - U.S. Air Force

Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, Staff Sergeant, Fort Rucker, AL,
going to Warrant Officer Candidate School then to Army

Aviation Flight School

Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force

Michael Petrash II - 1st LT, United States Army



Please Pray for:

Adam Womble

Nate Boehl

Hunter Jacob

Glynn Yurick

Kenny Jacob

Cole Ohrt

Carlton Migura

Robby Bitterly

Carly Waters

Seth Wendel

Joy Hoy

Breidi Toney

Slade Doehrman

*(Slade likes to receive cards, his address is:
11049 FM 236, Cuero 77954)*

Nursing Home: Yorktown Manor ~ Marjorie Ideus, Barbara Mueller

Homebound: Bette Jo Haun



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Pentecost 2

June 23, 2019

Second Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 7 (Year C)



The power of God is what frees and protects us from evil. King David cried to the Lord as his enemies attacked him. He praised God for being his shield and salvation. Jesus cast a legion of demons out of a man and freed him from a life of torment and pain. God is always ready to hear our cries for help. He seeks us even when we aren't ready to be sought. He waits for us to return to him and offers us grace.

