

Who is my neighbor?

Luke 10:29



ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A North American Lutheran Church

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5th Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2019

Greeter This Week: John & Margie Swannack

Greeter Next Week: Dickie & Cathie Bettge

Reader This Week: Trish Hood

Reader Next Week: Tammy Blain

Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed

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Altar Guild This Month: Pam Haun & Nikki Carver

Altar Guild Next Month: Betty Diebel & Virginia Jank

Communion Assistant This Month: Pam Haun

Communion Assistant Next Month: Wanda Hays

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: WOV #777 *"In the Morning When I Rise, Give Me Jesus"*

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 Richly inspire us, O Lord, to consider and accomplish what you see is good. For we know that we cannot live without you, but that with you, we shall prevail. And so, 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.

FIRST READING

Leave Something for the Poor

The Lord reminded the people of Israel to follow his statutes and not the rules of those who lived near them. To live with God is to follow his ways. One of those ways is to provide for the poor by leaving the edges of the fields unharvested. That way, the poor can come and glean what they need to live.

Leviticus [18:1-5] 19:9-18

(Page 100-101, RSV Pew Bible)

[¹The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, ²“Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, I am the Lord your God. ³You shall not do as they do in the land of Egypt, where you lived, and you shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan, to which I am bringing you. You shall not walk in their statutes. ⁴You shall follow my rules and keep my statutes and walk in them. I am the Lord your God. ⁵You shall therefore keep my statutes and my rules; if a person does them, he shall live by them: I am the Lord.]

⁹“When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. ¹⁰And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the Lord your God. ¹¹You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. ¹²You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the Lord. ¹³You shall not oppress your neighbor or

rob him. The wages of a hired worker shall not remain with you all night until the morning. ¹⁴You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the Lord. ¹⁵You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. ¹⁶You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the Lord. ¹⁷You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. ¹⁸You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.”

RESPONSIVE READING

Blessed is the One Who Considers the Poor

The Lord is generous to those who are impoverished or in need. It is a way to honor God when we care for those in need. The psalmist proclaimed that those who honor God in this way will enjoy his care and protection in their own lives.

Psalm 41

(Page 487, RSV Pew Bible)

¹Happy are they who consider the poor and needy!
the Lord will deliver them in the time of trouble.

²The Lord preserves them and keeps them alive, so that they may be happy in the land; he does not hand them over to the will of their enemies.

³The Lord sustains them on their sickbed
and ministers to them in their illness.

**⁴I said, “Lord, be merciful to me;
heal me, for I have sinned against you.”**

⁵My enemies are saying wicked things about me:
“When will he die, and his name perish?”

**⁶Even if they come to see me, they speak empty words;
their heart collects false rumors; they go outside and spread them.**

⁷All my enemies whisper together about me
and devise evil against me.

**⁸“A deadly thing,” they say, “has fastened on him;
he has taken to his bed and will never get up again.”**

⁹Even my best friend, whom I trusted, who broke bread with me,
has lifted up his heel and turned against me.

**¹⁰But you, O Lord, be merciful to me and raise me up,
and I shall repay them.**

¹¹By this I know you are pleased with me,
that my enemy does not triumph over me.

¹²**In my integrity you hold me fast,
and shall set me before your face forever.**

¹³Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
from age to age. Amen. Amen.

SECOND READING

Walk in a Manner Worthy of the Lord

St. Paul wrote to the church in Colossae that was founded by a Christian man named Epaphras. Paul and Timothy had heard of their great faith and love and wanted to encourage them in their walk with Christ. The apostles prayed for the disciples in Colossae, that they would bear good fruit for the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Colossians 1:1-14

(Page 1026, RSV Pew Bible)

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
²To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. ³We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, ⁶which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing — as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, ⁷just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf ⁸and has made known to us your love in the Spirit. ⁹And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; ¹¹being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Stand page 62: GOSPEL VERSE “Alleluia”

GOSPEL READING

Luke 10:25-37

(Page 902,-903 RSV Pew Bible)

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 10th chapter.

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

²⁵Behold, a lawyer stood up to put {Jesus} to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” ²⁷And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸And he said to him, “You

have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”²⁹ But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”³⁰ Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead.³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side.³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.³³ But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion.³⁴ He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him.³⁵ And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?”³⁷ He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit MESSAGE

HYMN: LBW #346 “*When Peace, like a River*”

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 #494 “*Jesus Calls Us; O’er the Tumult*”

P Go in peace, serve the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn #565)

POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 7/14	Fifth 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 7/15	Office Closed
Tues 7/16	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 7:00 p.m. Worship Team
Wed 7/17	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 10:00 a.m. Comm. Service Cuero Nursing & Rehab. 1:30 p.m. Quilters 6:00 p.m. Mission Evangelism Team 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
Thurs 7/18	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours *Committee Reports Due
Fri 7/19	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours *Newsletter Deadline
Next Sun	Sixth 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, July 7, 2019

General \$1,511.00, MOM \$195.00, Organ \$23.00, OSC \$40.00,
Building \$35.00, Church Reno. \$1,070.00 **Total : \$2,874.00**

Attendance: Worship - 82

Sunday School - 9 Adults

Mission of the Month of July



Life at Its Best Foundation

House of Palms

The House of Palms is a Scholarship Program for expectant teen mothers and their children.

The heart of the program is to embrace and strengthen their potential equipping them for a better future. Each resident will be provided with a room and living space for them (and their child) food, on-site day care and on-site guidance 24/7. They participate in an Intern Program learning marketable skills that will allow them to become self-sufficient. The home is a Christ-centered home of second chances, promoting self-sufficiency, emphasizing teamwork in a compassionate, caring, positive and encouraging environment. The young mothers will be able to sustain themselves based on improved skills and technical skills taught at House of Palms. They learn honor and a healthy self-respect to maximize personal growth and save children from a life of dependency, crime, poverty and hopelessness

The program is designed to accommodate up to 10 juniors or seniors that are from VISD and surrounding districts who can commit to the faith-based program. The young mothers are selected by how well they exemplify honesty, respect and a willing heart.

House of Palms is a 501C3 organized under the leadership of Faith Family Church in Victoria.

Col. Mike Petrich is the Administrator (not paid)

The house opened in September of 2018.

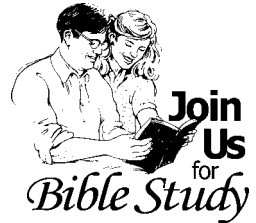


NALC Disaster Relief

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.



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There are so many people in need of prayer, so here is a great prayer to pray daily for everyone.

Dear Heavenly Father,

Please bless all my family and friends who need MIRACLES. Please heal the sick. Strengthen all who are weak and lighten those who carry heavy burdens. God, please give them HOPE for tomorrow and help them find

PEACE. Let them know

you will always be there for them.

AMEN!

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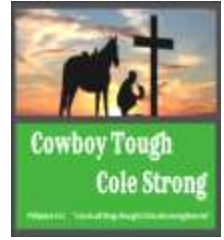




Special Prayers for Cole

~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)

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!



Church Renovation Update

Remaining items for the construction progress are to complete the canopy and final grade the site. After completion, a final walk through will be held to address any items that need to be touched-up. 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 July 7, 2019: \$409,115



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

Joy Hoy

Breidi Toney

Glenn Ruschhaupt

Slade Doehrman

*(Slade likes to receive cards, his address is:
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Nursing Home: Yorktown Manor ~ Marjorie Ideus, Barbara Mueller

Homebound: Bette Jo Haun



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Pentecost 5

July 14, 2019

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 10 (Year C)



Caring for others is one of God's prime commands to his people. When we ,who love the Lord, follow his ways, we find ourselves tending to the poor and destitute, picking up the victim and binding their wounds, leaving something behind for those who have nothing, thereby blessing and honoring God. To walk with Christ is to set aside our own needs and to see to the needs of those who are in trouble.

