

*Pray earnestly  
to the Lord of the harvest  
to send out laborers*

*Matthew 9:38.*

# ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 14, 2020

Worship Notes regarding Today's Service:

Thank you for attending. We thank God that we are once again able to gather inside the church. For those who are not comfortable entering the church we are also broadcasting as we have for the past several weeks and you are more than welcome to remain in your car. The service, the organ music, and Pastor John's message will be routed through the church's sound system and broadcast on your car radio on FM channel 101.5. Please follow the service in the bulletin.

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

### BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

L If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**All: Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

L Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

HYMN:

*"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"*

LBW #481

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; Much we need your tender care  
In your pleasant pastures feed us, For our use your fold prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus, You have bought us; we are yours.

We are yours; on love befriend us, be the guardian of our way;  
Keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.

You have promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be;  
You have mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus, Early let us turn to you.

Early let us seek your favor, Early let us do your will;  
Blessed Lord and only Savior, With your love our spirits fill.  
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.

**GREETING**

L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

**KYRIE**

L In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy**

L For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord have mercy**

L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity  
of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord have mercy.**

L For this holy house, and for all who offer here their mercy and praise, let us pray to the  
Lord.

**C Lord have mercy.**

L Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen**

L Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

**Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:  
We worship you, we give you thanks,  
We praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world'  
Have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
Receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord, You alone are the  
Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God the Father. Amen**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray;

**O Lord, our God, arrange the course of this world that peace may come and your tranquil Church rejoice through greater service. Grant this, we pray, 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:** Exodus 19:2-8

2 {The people of Israel} set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, 3 while Moses went up to God. The Lord called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: 4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. 5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; 6 and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel." 7 So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. 8 All the people answered together and said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do." And Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord.

## Responsive Psalm Reading

### Psalm 100

1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;

Serve the Lord with gladness

And come before his presence with a song.

**2 Know this: The Lord him- self is God;**

**He himself has made us, and we are his;**

**We are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise;

Give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

**4 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;**

**And his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

### Second Reading: Romans 5:6-15

6 For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For one will scarcely die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die – 8 but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. 10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. 11 More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. 12 Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned – 13 for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. 14 Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. 15 But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

### GOSPEL VERSE

**C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

### GOSPEL READING: Matthew 9:35-10:8 [9-20]

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 9th chapter.

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

35 Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction.

36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; 38 therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to

send out laborers into his harvest." 1 And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction.

2 The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; 3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; 4 Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. 5 These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, 6 but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7 And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' 8 Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay." [9 "Acquire no gold or silver or copper for your belts, 10no bag for your journey, or two tunics or sandals or a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. 11And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. 12As you enter the house, greet it. 13And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. 14And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. 15Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town. 16Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. 17Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, 18and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. 19When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. 20For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you." ]

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN:

*"Be Thou My Vision"*

WOV #776

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou are:  
Thou my best thought by day and by night,  
Waking of sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
Thou my soul's shelter thou my high tower  
Raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou, and thou only, first in my heart,  
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Light of my soul, after victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun.  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in one God, Father, the Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell. On the third day he arose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**The holy catholic church,**

**The communion of saints,**

**The forgiveness of sins,**

**The resurrection of the body,**

**And the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always,  
And also with you

**Offering** - If you wish to give an offering it will be received as you leave.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a  
Right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your  
Presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from' me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
And uphold me with your free Spirit.**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

**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!**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy;  
through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord

**Amen**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

**And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever. Amen.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
C Amen

HYMN

*"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*

LBW #439

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged Take it top the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness, take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge, Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you; You will find a solace there.

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

THE DOXOLOGY

Hymn #565 LBW

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.



## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

<b>Today 6/14</b>	<b>Second Sunday after Pentecost</b> 8:00 a.m. Property Team Meeting 10:15 a.m. Worship
<b>Mon 6/15</b>	<b>Office Closed</b>
<b>Tues 6/16</b>	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Pastor's Office Hours 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours
<b>Wed 6/17</b>	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 6:00 p.m. Mission Evangelism Team 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
<b>Thurs 6/18</b>	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Pastor's Office Hours <b>*Committee Reports Due</b>
<b>Fri 6/19</b>	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours <b>*Newsletter Articles Due</b>
<b>Next Sun</b>	<b>Third Sunday after Pentecost</b> 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 7, 2020**

General \$4,760.00, MOM \$465.00, Organ \$20.00, OSC \$20.00, Building \$25.00, Reno. \$330.00

**Total: \$5,620.00**

## UPDATE - Worship Team Notes - UPDATE

We will be having church in the sanctuary at 10:15 a.m. from now on, unless something changes. Communion will be by stations on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. Please note there are certain guidelines that have to be followed. A letter with these specific guidelines has been mailed out, emailed, and is posted on our website & FaceBook page. The service will still be broadcasted on the radio station FM 101.5 for those who wish to stay in their vehicles. The service will also be videoed & posted to the church website on Sundays, afternoon sometime. Please continue to check the church website & FaceBook page for updates.



## Mission of the Month of June



## Cuero Community Foundation CAMAL House

This foundation is 501© 3 established to help strengthen the community. This organization is matching donations to area food banks such as CAMAL House to ensure that families receive the food they need for their families. For each dollar donated to the established fund (up to \$100,000) they will match that dollar so it doubles the donation. They are doing it for three food banks in the area and we will designate ours for CAMAL House.

Other news from the Mission Team:

We have cancelled the Ice Cream Social scheduled for June 6. The social was to kick off Vacation Bible School which has been cancelled due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

We will meet again in July to further discuss Mission Feast.



### New Office Hours for Pastor

Pastor John will have new weekly office hours at the parsonage every Tuesday & Thursday.

The hours are as follows:

**Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

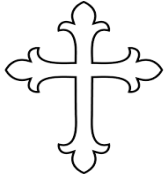
**Thursdays 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**



### Youth Group & Sunday School News

Most of the activities with the Youth Group and Sunday School have been put on hold or cancelled. Our prayer is that when Sunday School resumes, we will have a full house! Prayers for all during this time.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** has now been **CANCELLED** as well. Lutherhill ministries sent us this statement: After prayerful consideration, the Board of Directors has made the difficult decision to cancel all congregational day camps for the summer of 2020.



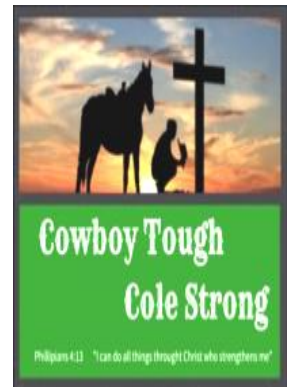
### NALC Warehouse and Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes

We will be collecting for these charities all year. Each month we will feature items to be donated. We will be collecting stick deodorant for the month of June. Please bring only stick deodorant, no aerosol cans.



### Special Prayers for Cole ~NEW UPDATE~

Cole is at home doing well surrounded by the love and support of all his family. He continues to have therapy on a daily basis at his home and will soon also be doing therapy in Victoria. God continues to be with Cole each and every day strengthening his faith, patience, and courage as he travels down this long and difficult journey. We thank each and every one again for all your prayers, concerns, and support for Cole and his family. We ask for you to continue praying for Cole's healing and for strength and patience for him and his family. Thank you and God Bless.



**+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)*

**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:**

Jeff Zengerle - U.S. Army NG, Egypt  
Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves  
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 - 1<sup>st</sup> LT, United States Army  
Andrew Washington, L CPL - USMC, Pensacola, FL  
Jacob Redmond - USMC, San Diego, CA



**Please Pray for:** Adam Womble  
Nate Boehl  
Hunter Jacob  
Glynn Yurick  
Kenny Jacob  
Cole Ohrt  
Carly Waters  
Joy Hoy  
Marie Liner  
Bill Roeske  
Janice Turner  
Slade Doehrman

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

**Nursing Home:** Elmcroft-Victoria ~ Bette Jo Haun  
Stevens Healthcare of Yoakum ~ Marjorie Ideus  
Cuero Nursing & Rehab. ~ Alfred Rangnow



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## **Pentecost 2**

**June 14, 2020**

### **Second Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 6 (Year A)**

Trusting in the Lord for all our needs can be one of the hardest aspects of the faith because we are so used to toughing it out for ourselves. But from the beginning God assured his people that he would take care of his treasured people and provide for our every need if we would just obey his voice. Jesus did the same when he sent his disciples to heal. They were to take nothing extra with them, and to trust in him.