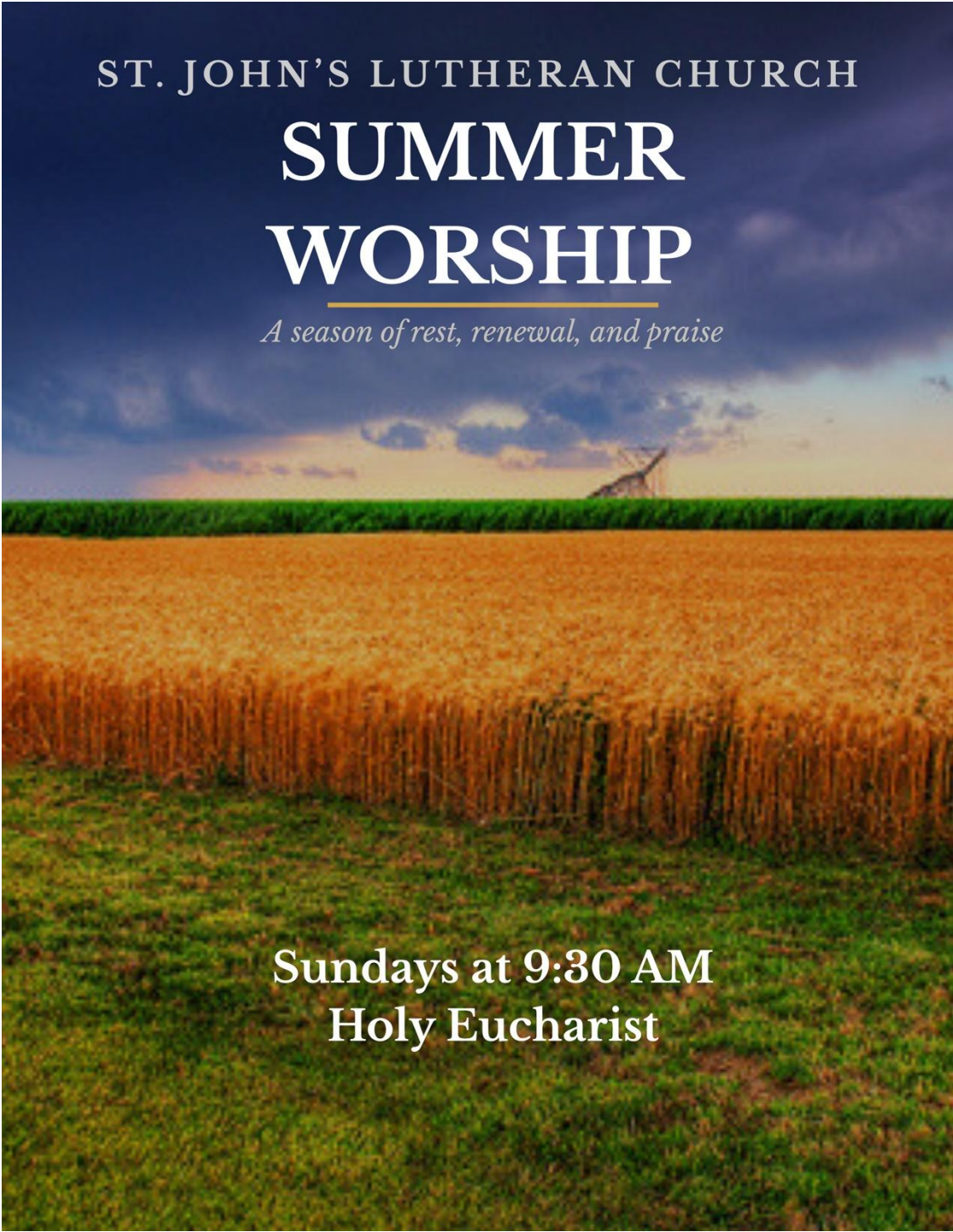




ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUMMER WORSHIP

A season of rest, renewal, and praise

Sundays at 9:30 AM
Holy Eucharist

PRELUDE

We stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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

Amen.

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.

Amen

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.

We kneel or stand.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

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

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.

Amen

GREETING

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

GLORIA



26 *f*

Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God_ in the high - est,

30

Glo - ry, glo-ry to God,_ glo-ry to God_ in the high - est,

34 *mf*

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son_____ of the___ Fa - ther,

38

Lord God,___ Lamb of God, you take a - way the___ sin of the

41 *mp*

world. Have mer - cy on us; You are seat - ed at___ the right

45

hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive___ our prayer._____

Chorus
CONGREGATION

49 *f*

Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God_ in the high - est,

53 (Optional)

Glo - ry, glo-ry to God,_ glo-ry to God_ in the high - est. For

57 *mf*

you a - lone_ are the Ho - ly One,_ You a - lone_____ are the___ Lord;

61

You a - lone_ are the Most_ High,_ Je - sus_ Christ. With the

65

Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

Final Chorus

CONGREGATION

70

Glo - ry, glo-ry to God,_ glo-ry to God_ in the high - est, Glo - ry,

75

glo-ry to God,_ glo-ry to God_ in the high - est. A - men.

molto rit.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Let us pray. . . .

We sit.

WORD

FIRST LESSON

FOUND IN THE INSERT

PSALM

Said responsively by verse.

FOUND IN THE INSERT

SECOND LESSON

FOUND IN THE INSERT

We stand.

GOSPEL

FOUND IN THE INSERT

We sit.

SERMON

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father 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.* *Or, He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose 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

We kneel or sit for the prayers.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each intercession ends with these words:

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We stand.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

We sit.

GREETINGS



MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sung by the St. John's Summer Choir

We stand.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN

We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. It starts with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and a half note B4. After a double bar line, it continues with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a half note B4, a quarter note G4, a half note F#4, a quarter note E4, a half note D4, a quarter note C4, a half note B3, a quarter note A3, and a half note G3. The lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Ho - ly, ho - ly,' are written below the notes. The second staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. It starts with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a half note B4, a quarter note G4, a half note F#4, a quarter note E4, a half note D4, a quarter note C4, a half note B3, a quarter note A3, and a half note G3. The lyrics 'ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are full of your' are written below the notes. The notation includes dynamic markings: 'mp' (mezzo-piano) above the first staff and 'cresc. poco a poco' (crescendo poco a poco) above the second staff. The first staff also has '(Org.)' written below the first few notes.

8 *mf* *più f* *mf*
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est, ho -

11 *più f* *attacca*
 san - na. ho - san - na in the high - est.

14 *mp*
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,

16 *p* *mf*
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, ho -

19 *più f* *mf*
 san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho -

21 *più f* *rit.*
 san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.



1 Our Fa-ther in heav-en, we hal-low your Name! Most
2 Our dai-ly bread give us, ful-fill ev-ery need; grant
3 Then, from all temp-ta-tion, come lead us a-way; from
ho-ly and glo-ri-ous, ev-er the same! Es-
food for both spir-it and bod-y, we plead. As
on-slaught of e-vil, de-liv-er, we pray! For
tab-lish your king-dom, your pur-pose ful-fill. On
we for-give oth-ers, our debts please for-give; with
yours is the king-dom, the glo-ry and power in
earth as in heav-en, may all do your will!
all re-con-ciled and at peace may we live.
past and in fu-ture, this day and this hour!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All who believe that Jesus is present in the bread and wine, forgiving sin and promising eternal life, are welcome to the Table of the Lord. Gluten-free wafers are available if requested.

We sit.

LAMB OF GOD

(Org.) *mp*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, Lamb of

4 *p poco*

God, you take a-way the sin of the world. Have mer-cy on us, have

7 *mp p*

mer-cy on us, have_ mer - cy. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

10 *p*

sin of the world, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have

13 *poco mp p*

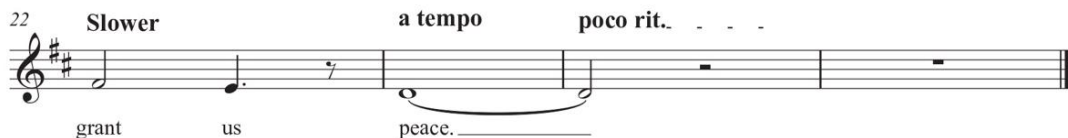
mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have_ mer - cy. Lamb of

16 *mp*

God, you take a-way the sin of the world, Lamb of God, you take a-way the

19 *rit.*

sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace,



MUSIC AT THE DISTRIBUTION

HYMN

FOUND IN INSERT

We stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ✙ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEPTEMBER 13

Rally Sunday

Return to 2 services

5:00pm Evensong

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 9 | 9:30am

Hymn of the Day: My Life Flows On in Endless Song ELW 763

Communion Hymn: Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me ELW 755

Closing Hymn: Eternal Father, Strong to Save ELW 756

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FIRST READING

I Kings 19:9-18

A reading from I Kings

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 85:8-13

8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.

9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear
him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other

11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

A reading from Romans

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

The holy gospel according to Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

Worship Leaders Today

Celebrant	The Rev Martha McCreight
Organist & Musicians	Jan Lucie
Worship Assistant	Cheryl Milukas
Reader	Cheryl Milukas
Communion Assistant	
Altar Committee	Pam Bartlett, Cathy Mahler
Counters	J. Geils, Janet Halpin, Cathy Mahler
Fellowship Time	
Little Free Pantry	Peter Coffin

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 12

12:00 noon Weekly Eucharist - Chapel

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 16

9:30 am Worship

Wednesday, August 19

12:00 noon Weekly Eucharist - Chapel

GIVING AT ST. JOHN'S

As summer takes us to new places, our faith travels with us! A gentle reminder - whether you're enjoying a vacation with family or exploring somewhere new, your continued generosity keeps St. John's strong and our ministry thriving.

Did you know you can give anytime, anywhere? Online giving via our Vanco portal makes it easy to stay connected to God's work here at home — even when you're miles away. Not on Vanco? a check mailed to the church office works just as well! Or, use this QR code.



Every gift, large or small, is a seed of faithfulness that blooms in our community.

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." — 2 Corinthians 9:7

Thank you for your faithful partnership in ministry. May God richly bless your summer adventures!



WE'LL MEET YOU WHERE YOU ARE... AND BRING YOU WHERE YOU BELONG

Need a ride to Sunday worship? St. John's Lutheran wants to make sure that getting here is never a reason to miss out on gathering together in God's presence. Our volunteer drivers are happy to pick you up and bring you home - free of charge, with a friendly face along the way. This is a trial program at this time to determine how much interest and need there is for transportation. To request a ride for Sunday worship, please contact the church office no later than Wednesday at 10:00 AM. For rides to special services (such as holidays), please give us at least 5 days advance notice.

Call the office at (203) 322-0066 or email stjohnelcaoffice@gmail.com.

"And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another." - Hebrews 10:25