# **WELCOME TO ST. JOHN!**

We welcome you and pray that you will be comforted through the Lord's forgiveness and strengthened by His gifts!

- Sign the Friendship Register located at the end of the pew.
- Children's activity bags are available in the narthex as needed.
- Let an usher know if you would benefit from a large print service or assisted hearing device.
- Out of loving concern for your spiritual well-being (I Cor. 11:27-29), we ask that if you are not a member of St. John, that you speak to the Pastor before communing. (Acts 2:42).
- All communicants are asked to use the Christian Questions & Their Answers on page 329 and 330 in the Lutheran Service Book to prepare before coming to receive the Sacrament.
- Gluten-free hosts or diluted wine are available on request to Pastor.

# Jesus Restores Paradise and Feeds Us Freely

In the Garden of Eden, our first parents received food freely from the gracious hand of God, apart from any burdensome work (Gen 2:7-17). But after the fall, food would be received only through toil and labor. The curse declared, "By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground . . ." (Gen. 3:19). In other words, "The wages of sin is death" (Rom 6:23). But into this wilderness world came Jesus the Messiah to restore creation. Having compassion on the weary multitudes, He renewed the bounty of Eden on the third day, freely granting an abundance of bread to the 4,000 (Mark 8:1-9). So also our Lord Jesus, having endured the burden of our sin, was raised on the third day to bring us back to Paradise. He now miraculously turns the bread of death into the Bread of Life in the Sacrament, giving you His very body and blood for your forgiveness. For "the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Rom. 6:23).

#### INTROIT

Clap your hands, all | peoples!\* Shout to God with loud | songs of joy! For the LORD, the Most High, is | to be feared,\* a great king over | all the earth. He subdued peoples | under us,\* and nations un- | der our feet. Sing praises to God, sing | praises!\* Sing praises to our King, sing | praises! For God is the King of | all the earth;\* sing praises | with a psalm! God reigns over the | nations;\* God sits on his | holy throne. Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen. Clap your hands, all | peoples!\* Shout to God with loud | sonas of jov! For the LORD, the Most High, is | to be feared,\* a great king over | all the earth.

Psalm 47:3, 6–8; antiphon: vv. 1–2

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, whose never-failing providence orders all things both in heaven and earth, we humbly implore You to put away from us all hurtful things and to give us those things that are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **ALLELUIA VERSE**

Alleluia. Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! Alleluia.

# The Sunday of the Feeding of the 4,000

& Rite of Farewell and Godspeed for Cassandra Makela July 26 2020

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# + Hymns +

Hymn of the Day: #819 "Praise to God, the Highest Good" Distribution Hymns: #559, 351, 790 Post-Communion Hymn: #774 Hymn to Depart: #578 "Thy Strong Word"

### Ps. 47:1

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#### SERVING TODAY

Organist: Ethan Gillespie Greeters: Ron & Joan Vorpahl Ushers: Ron Vorpahl, Norm Preder, Tim Preder Elder: Don Vetter

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## **IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

If you have any additional petitions to include in our prayers, as well as changes or to have your request removed, please call or email Pastor Gillespie.

#### We pray for:

For all our first responders, doctors, nurses, and all of those who work in nursing homes and hospitals.

For an end to anxious thoughts and constant worry – that God would provide peace and joy in all circumstances.

Deliverance from pestilence, sedition, and rebellion.

For our Military personnel.

**Birthdays:** July 26: Emma Daniels, July 27: Debra Arndt, July 28: Dawn Meerdink, Isaac Ramirez, July 31: Emma Kazmierski

**Baptism Birthdays:** July 26: Savanna Brooks, July 28: Joan Vorpahl, July 30: Kara Ramirez, Heaven Scholz, July 31: Chelsea Stelmachowicz, Aug. 1: Camden Sveom, Cassandra Sveom, Jason Vorpahl

**Anniversaries:** July 26: Tom & Sandy Maxwell, July 29: Tim & Kim Geidel, July 31: Shanar & Nicole Durn, DoWayne & Pam Lawrenz

**Thanksgiving:** Barbara Kaun (president, SWD LWML for healing); Cassandra Makela, for service as teacher and administrator; Benjamin, great-grandson born to Gus and Eileen Jentsch

**Illness:** Marcella Bauer, Jan Borgwardt, Jim Geiser (brother of Liz Herms); David Goedde, Carol Haak (aunt of Pastor), Brad Jentsch, Janet Jentsch, Carol Kelling, Sandy Maxwell, Linda Mondloch, Joan Ney, Ken Nimmer, Erin Peterson

**Grieving**: Family and friends of John Borkenhagen (brother of Lisa Nytes)

**Homebound:** Willis & Janice Liepert, Micky Lochman, Bev Depies

Missionaries: Federwitz Family

# Seventh Sunday After Trinity



St. John Ev. Lutheran Church & School Random Lake, WI

> July 26, 2020 9:30 am