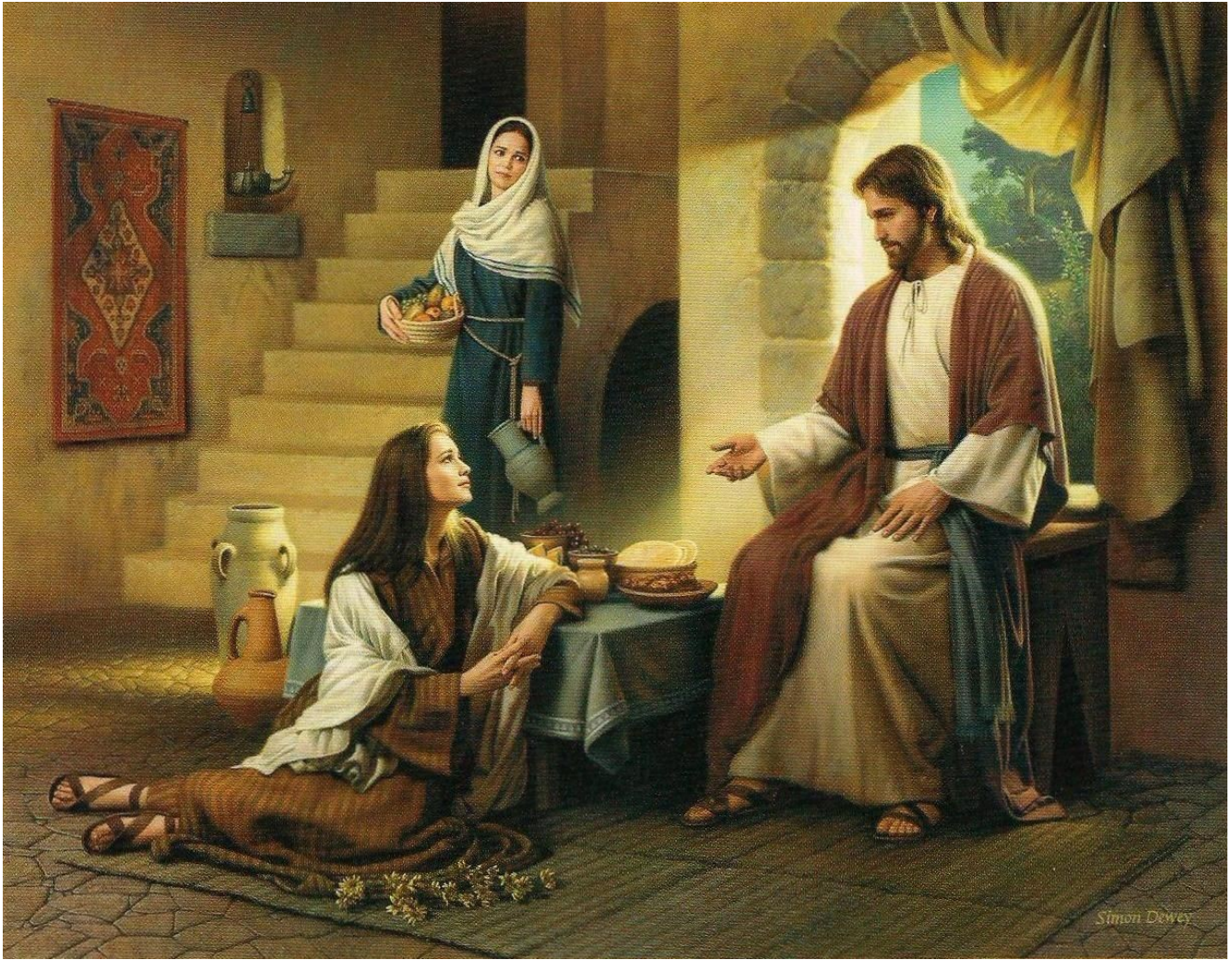


Saturday, July 19

6th Weekend of Pentecost - Service of the Word



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Confirmation - Grades 7 & 8 - Wednesdays 6:30pm*

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UPCOMING EVENTS

for the week of
July 20-27

Sunday	9:00am Worship
Monday	9:00-11:30am Vacation Bible School
Tuesday	9:00-11:30am Vacation Bible School
Wednesday	9:00-11:30am Vacation Bible School
Thursday	9:00-11:30am Vacation Bible School
Saturday	5:00pm Worship (Service of the Word)
Sunday	9:00am Worship

IF YOU'D LIKE TO SEND MARY CARLSON A CARD,
PLEASE SEND TO HER SISTER:

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WELCOME

St. John's Lutheran Church (and friends) Picnic



Games and prizes for everyone!

**SUNDAY AUGUST 3RD
AT THE SOMONAUK PARK**

Offering 7/12 & 7/13	Received	Received YTD
General Fund	1,785.00	\$110,484.65
Capital Fund	\$200.00	\$9,265.96
Cusco Lutheran Churches	\$46.00	\$885.34
Worship	\$200.00	\$444.13
Utilities-Sharing Pantry	\$150.00	\$1,200.00
Good Samaritan Fund	\$78.45	\$845.45
Fellowship Hall Rental	\$100.00	\$200.00

- ♥ **WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:00 AM**
- ♥ **GROUP GAMES AND SILLY SONGS**
- ♥ **LUNCH AT 11:00AM**
- ♥ **PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE**
- ♥ **HOT DOGS AND BRATS PROVIDED**
- ♥ **ICE TEA, WATER AND LEMONADE PROVIDED**
- ♥ **BOARD GAMES, CARD GAMES AND OTHER ACTIVITIES!!!**

Prayer Requests

Mary Bark
Mary Carlson
Mary Carlson's sister,
Sue
Lance Davenport
Stella Gardner
Lee Gehrke
Gianna

Sharon Goode
Mary Ann Hulon
Jen
Karen
Jerry Lundeen
Linda Martin
Doris Miller
James Moris

Lonnie Murray
Kay Nelson
Roger & Helen
Larry Rogers
Shelly
Lynn Skryzpiec
Jackie Wendland
Susan White
Family of Lyn Wulffe

Dates to Remember

Month	Date	Occasion
JULY	21-24	VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
AUGUST	3	CHURCH PICNIC @ THE PARK

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand as you are able.

Gathering

Assisting Minister1: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Confession and Forgiveness

Assisting Minister2: Welcome to worship in the name of the Father,
and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Assisting Minister1: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Assisting Minister2: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Assisting Minister1: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive 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.

Assisting Minister2: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✙ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

Gathering Song W&P 13 Awesome God

Greeting

Assisting Minister1: 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.

Prayer of the Day

Assisting Minister2: Let us pray the Prayer of the Day together.

C: Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

Introduction

Assisting Minister1: Listen to this overview of the readings for the day. Perhaps the church, at its best, is “all ears.” God urges the faithful, again and again, to “listen up!”—to heed the word that gives life. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.

The **First Reading** comes from the Book of Genesis Chapter 18 verses 1-10a

Assisting Minister 2: A First Reading introduction: The Lord visits Abraham and Sarah to

tell them that the long-awaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age.

Assisting Minister1: *Assisting Minister1:* Word of God, Word of Life

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Assisting Minister2: Our Psalm today is **Psalm 15**

¹ Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Who may abide upon your holy hill?

² **Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,
who speak the truth from their heart;**

³ they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends;
they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

⁴ **In their sight the wicked are rejected,
but they honor those who fear the Lord.
They have sworn upon their health
and do not take back their word.**

⁵ They do not give their money in hope of gain,
nor do they take bribes against the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

Assisting Minister2: The **Second Reading** comes from Colossians Chapter 1 verses 15-28

Assisting Minister1: *A Second Reading introduction: This letter offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is "Christ in you." Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.*

Assisting Minister2: Word of God, Word of Life

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

Assisting Minister1: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 10th Chapter

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Assisting Minister2: *The Gospel Introduction: During his visit to the home of Mary and Martha, Jesus reminds Martha that her concern for her many tasks distracts from the one thing that precedes all else: abiding in the presence of God.*

Assisting Minister1: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

Hymn Sing

**Assisting Ministers announce # of verses*

ELW 733 Great is Thy Faithfulness

v 1 & 3*

Assisting Minister2: Hymn Story

Thomas Obediah Chisholm was born in a log cabin in Franklin, Kentucky in 1866. He received his education in a little country schoolhouse, and at age 16 began teaching there. He became a Christian at age 27, and with no college or seminary training was ordained to the Methodist ministry at age 36. He served as a Methodist minister for a year, but ill health made it impossible for him to continue.

Always interested in poetry, Chisholm wrote hundreds of poems during his lifetime. He was inspired by Lamentations 3:22-23 to write the text for "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." Those verses read, "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."

ELW 661 I Love to Tell the Story

v 1 & 2*

Assisting Minister1: Hymn Story

Arabella Katherine Hankey (1834-1911) was born into a family both devout and prosperous. As to religion, they were Anglicans

At age eighteen, Kate moved to London to teach a Bible class for factory girls, and continued that work for more than a decade. Then at age thirty she became seriously ill. She was forced to cease work and endure bed rest for a year. During that time, she wrote a very long poem—one hundred verses.

Upon hearing Kate's poem, Wm Doane was inspired to use part of it as the basis for the hymn, "Tell Me the Old, Old Story."

Later, William Fischer did something similar with another part of Kate's poem. The result was the hymn, "I Love to Tell the Story."

ELW 742 What a Friend We Have in Jesus v 1 & 3*

Assisting Minister2: Hymn Story

Joseph Scriven was born in County Down, Ireland. Scriven moved to Canada. Scriven received word that his mother was ill. He couldn't afford to return to Ireland, so he sent his mother a poem in the hope that it would comfort her. The poem began, "What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!"

This hymn has maintained its popularity for a century and a half—probably because Scriven was acquainted with faith—which helps us to see that faith can triumph over all kinds of obstacles.

ELW 884/885 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Assisting Minister1: Hymn Story

This one-verse hymn is also known as Doxology. The word doxology comes from two Greek words, *doxa*, which means glory, and *logos*, which means word. So a doxology is literally "a word of glory." We sing doxologies to give glory or praise to God.

This doxology was written by Thomas Ken, an Anglican clergyman. Ken was born in 1637, and was orphaned at an early age.

When Ken was fourteen years old, he entered Winchester College, and four years later began studies at Oxford. He later returned to Winchester College as the chaplain to the bishop.

Ken was one of seven bishops who refused to sign King James' *Declaration of Indulgence*. For this act of rebellion, he was arrested and imprisoned in the Tower of London—but he was later tried and acquitted. He died of natural causes in 1711.

The Apostles Creed

Assisting Minister2: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Assisting Minister1: In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Assisting Minister2: ... God of grace,

C: **hear our prayer.**

Assisting Minister2: Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

Peace

Assisting Minister1: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Thanksgiving for the Word

Assisting Minister2: Let us pray.

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Assisting Minister1: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Sending

Assisting Minister2: God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

Assisting Minister1: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

C: Amen.

Sending Song ELW 720 We Are Called

Dismissal

Assisting Minister2: Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;
be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted;

Assisting Minister1: support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people;
love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.



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