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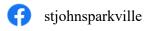
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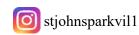
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Today's worship service is being live streamed to YouTube with video coverage of leaders and worshippers.





St. John's Lutheran Church Parkville



Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 23, 2024



St. John's Lutheran Church of Parkville

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Welcome to St. John's—we are glad you're here! Whether you have worshiped with us many times, or this is your first time, there is a place for you here. Your presence among us is a gift.

Introduction to the Day

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.

(Please take a moment to silence all electronics. Thank you!) (Hymns are taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship, the red book in the pew rack.)

WELCOME

PRELUDE How Can I Keep From Singing?

Tom Birchwood

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(Please stand as you are able.)

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna.

the God of miracles.

the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,

let us confess our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding

rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life

and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,

This week's schedule				
Today	9 am Faith + Fellowship			
	10 am Live & Online Worship			
Mon.				
Tues.				
Wed.	9:30 am Busy Bees (Smith Building)			
Thurs.				
Fri.	7:05 pm Ironbirds Game			
Sat.				

Counting our Blessings				
Sun. 6/16	Attendance: 111 Offering: \$ 6,861 Homebound: 15	April Offering Income April Other Income April Total Income April Expenses YTD Offering Income YTD Other Income YTD Total Income YTD Total Income YTD Expenses	\$36,194 \$ 4,544 \$40,738 \$30,088 \$119,895 \$ 23,162 \$143,057 \$135,216	

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Prayer List



Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.

For health & healing: Tom Walter, Diane Carroll, Eleanor McLaughlin, Mary Jo Rother, Mary Gude, Doris Rye, Richard Souders, Oluseye Fowode, Robert Suznick, Lisa Duerling, Joan Swank, Rosalie Coffman, Pat Hurley, Debbie Miller, Sandy Scott, and Vickie Jasinski

For family & friends: Ernie Schuman, Ralph Clark, Paola Lott, Bob Murphy, Pat Lambert, Jonathan McLaughlin, Tim Hartman, Bill Beck, Chris Newman, Pierce Newman, Coralee Myrtle, Eleni Bowden, Butch Kahl, Pearl Johnson, Donna Joseph, Harriet Miller, Maeve Webster, John Bryan, Joe Federline, Tiffany Webb, Mary & Barry McCain, Bonnie Franklin, Jamie Kirschner, Rob Graff, Alice Evans, Trish Pizza, Betsy Shock, Julie Bramble, and Donna Boblooch

For the military and their families: Kalib McCann, Mason Ledbetter, Leroy Keller, Seaman E-3 Carson Anthony Bowser, Corporal Justin Ferro, Staff Sgt. Brandan Hartmann, Michael Anthony Tucker, and all those in harm's way

For those grieving family & friends of:

For St. John's Caring Friends: Patricia Becker, Agatha Biensach-Daniels, Barbara Conrad, Margaret Eubert, June Franz, Betty Glassband, Richard Hoerner, Patricia Hurley, Audrey Lentz, John Lotterer, Paul Nolder, Patrick O'Connell, Janet Roth, Kim Townsley, and Emma Volz

you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, + the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

We Praise You, O God

ELW 870

(Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882-1963; Music: A. Valerius, Nederlandtsch Gedenckclanck, 1626)

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

WORD

FIRST READING

Job 38:1-11

At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God's ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty.

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

4"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

⁸"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— ⁹when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it. and set bars and doors.

¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM (Read responsively; congregation reads bold verses) Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,

for God's mercy endures forever.

²Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim

that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

³gathering them in from the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

²³Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.

⁴They beheld the works of the LORD, God's wonderful works in the deep.

²⁵Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.

²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths;

their souls melted away in their peril.

²⁷They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.

²⁸Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.

²⁹You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.

³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

³¹Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.

³²Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation.



Vacation Bible School! This years program is Camp Firelight "A Summer Camp Adventure with God" and will be held July 8-12 from 9 am—12:30 pm. We have a few spots left, so register now. Registration forms are on the third floor bulletin board, in the weekly email, in the newsletter and on our social media sites. We still need some volunteers. Please let us know if you can help.

Music Camp....We are accepting registration for Music Camp. Registration forms

are located on the third floor bulletin board, in the weekly email and in the newsletter. We are looking for experienced volunteers. Contact Martha at mrequard1@gmail.com if you can help.



YOUNG <u>8 pm</u> in the Smith Building for an evening of fellowship, snacks and games! This adults event is specifically geared toward young adults 18+. If you plan to attend or have questions, please speak directly to the Pastors. RSVP by July 12th.

SAVE THE DATE: New Members' Lunch. Saturday, August 17th 12 noon-2 pm in the Fellowship Hall. This event is for all prospective new members who are interested in joining or re-joining St. John's. We will gather to get to know one another and some members of our community over lunch, to ask any questions—be it faith at large, Lutheranism, or St. John's specifically-- and to pray for God's guidance as we all seek to live out our faith together. We will officially welcome new members on Sunday, August 18th during the 10 am service.



National Night Out is coming up on Tuesday, August 6th. This is a community -building event that promotes community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. St. John's would like to participate, but we need people to lead the event and volunteers to help on the night of the event. If you can help, please let

the Pastors know or contact the church office.

Those Serving Today	
Assisting Minister	Megan Czarski
Crucifer	Devon W.
Acolyte (s)	Landry E.
Lector	Michael Rash
Communion Assistant	Michael Rash
Dismissal Assistant	Madilyn A.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

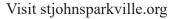
Next Week— Sunday, June 30th—Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

9 am—**Faith** + **Fellowship**

10 am—Worship in-person

and livestreamed on our YouTube Channel

11:30—Memorial Meeting





The beautiful flowers gracing our worship service today are given in loving memory of my brother, J. Henry Barthelmes by Anna Brown.

We are taking altar flower dedications for 2024. The cost is \$50. Contact Rachel Hills at rm hills@yahoo.com if you would like to sponsor the flowers. Available dates are July 21st, August 18th, September 8th and 29th, October 6th and 13th, November 3rd, 10th and 17th, December 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 24th and 29th.

Nursery Care for infants through age 2 is available during the Sunday School hour while parents are attending Faith and Fellowship. During worship, care is available for infants through kindergarten.





St. John's Youth Group meets in the Youth Room on the first Sunday of the month, from about 11:15 am—12:30 pm. This group is for middle and high school students. Join us as we have fun, get to know one another and grow in faith. See you there!

Faith and Fellowship meets in the Fellowship Hall on the first floor from 9 am—9:45 am each Sunday. This is an opportunity for adults to gather for light refreshments and to grow in faith.





Thanks to everyone who attended and helped with the Community Meals and Wednesday night worship. We are taking July and August off to give everyone a COMMUNITY DINNER break for the summer. We will begin again in September.

Pastors Mathew & Amy will be on vacation June, 18th_24th. In the event of an emergency, call the church office during office hours or after hours call the emergency number at 443-844-9314.





St. John's night at the Ironbirds game is coming up this Friday, June 28th at 7:05 pm. If you purchased tickets, we will see you there.

Busy Bees need sugar! We are collecting sugar to make our jelly. Please give your donation to one of the Busy Bees or you can drop it off in the church office.



As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; 8in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Mark 4:35-41

Jesus' calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil, since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence.

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(The assembly is seated.)

SERMON

(Please stand as you are able.)

HYMN OF THE DAY Eternal Father, Strong to Save

ELW 756

(Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.; Music: John B. Dykes, 1823-1876)

APOSTLES' CREED

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 THE CHURCH

After each petition

Merciful God.

Receive our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(We offer each other a sign of Christ's peace. Afterwards, the assembly is seated.)

MEAL

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Be Thou But Near

J. S. Bach: arr. David Paxton

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As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, Father, Son + Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.

SENDING HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

ELW 773

(Text: Thomas A. Dorsey, 1899-1993; Music: George N. Allen, 1812-1877, adapt. Thomas A. Dorsey; Text and music © 1938, 1966 Unichappell Music Inc., admin. Hal Leonard Corp.)

DISMISSAL

Amen.

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE I Sing the Mighty Power of God

arr. Douglas E. Wagner

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TODAY WE WELCOME Pastor Paul Collinson Streng, as our presider and preacher, and thank him for sharing his gifts with us in worship.

It is good to have you here at St. John's!

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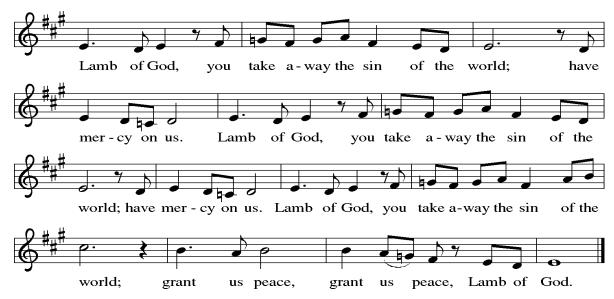
the communion assistant will fill it with a sip of wine. The cups that are already filled contain grape juice. After drinking, place the used cup in the basket on your way back to your seat.

If you are not communing you are welcome to come forward for a blessing, crossing your arms over your chest.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMNS Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

ELW 767

(Text: Julie von Hausmann, 1825-1901; tr. Lutheran Book of Worship; Music: Friedrich Silcher, 1789-1860; Text © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship, admin. Augsburg Fortress)

My Life Flows On in Endless Song

ELW 763

(Text and music: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899)

(Please remain seated.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray:

Jesus, Bread of life,

we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.

Thank you for your generous support of St. John's. During this time an offering is gathered for the mission and ministry of the Church as together we experience and share God's abundant grace and love.

Many in our congregation give online. You can set up one-time or recurring donations on our website stjohnsparkville.org. Checks and cash may be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church. You may also donate via venmo @stjohnsparkville

(Please stand as you are able.)

OFFERING HYMN

As the Grains of Wheat

ELW 465

(Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950; Music: Marty Haugen; Text and music © 1990 GIA Publications, Inc.)

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

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 our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; 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 all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hym:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



(Text and music: Per Harling, b. 1948; Text and music © 1990 Ton Vis Produktion AB, admin. Augsburg Fortress)

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, Breath of life and Fire of love: with a mighty wind you brought creation into being, and by a pillar of fire you led your people into freedom.

We praise you for the gift of your Son, who poured out your Spirit on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed...

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and the sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit, we await his coming again to renew the face of the earth.

Send now your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this meal: anoint us with your gifts of faith, hope, and love, that, with thankful hearts, we may be witnesses to your Son.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

Amen.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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, forever and ever. Amen.

(The assembly is seated.)

COMMUNION

All are welcome at Christ's table. Bread is received in the hands. Gluten-free wafers are available-if you need one, please ask the pastor. To receive the wine, take an empty cup and