

# 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 10, 2018

A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are sisters and brothers of the Lord. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

## - Gathering -

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Musical Meditation, Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love. **Amen.**

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another. *Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Eternal God our creator, **in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God ☩ forgives you all your sins. **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn – #722 O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate**

Greeting and Hymn of Praise (*Glory be to God...*) – Page 204

Prayer of the Day

## - Word –

*God speaks to us in Scripture, reading, preaching and song.*

Scripture Readings – see insert (*Response: Thanks be to God.*)

Gospel Acclamation – Page 205

Gospel (*before reading: Glory to you, O Lord. after: Praise to you, O Christ!*)

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day – #617 We Come to You for Healing, Lord**

(8:00 a.m.) Apostles' Creed – Page 105

(9:30 a.m.) Sacrament of Holy Baptism – Page 227

*(Cameron Scott Morel)*

**Hymn – #677 (V.1) This Little Light of Mine**

Prayers of the People

Sharing the Peace (*Response: And also with you.*)

**- Meal -**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

Offering

**Offertory Hymn – #185 Create in Me a Clean Heart**

Offering Prayer and Great Thanksgiving and Holy, Holy, Holy – Page 206-207

**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.**

Distribution of Bread and Wine

*All who believe in the redeeming power of Christ's love are welcome at the Lord's Table.*

**Lamb of God – #195**

**Hymns – #496, #697, #768**

Blessing and Post-Communion Prayer

**- Sending -**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Benediction

**Sending Hymn – #860 I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me**

Dismissal (*Response: Thanks be to God!*)

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Dickinson, North Dakota*

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Mission Statement: "Living in Service to Christ"

# Welcome to Worship at St. John!

Maybe this is one of your first experiences worshipping in a church. Maybe you have been around churches, but have never been to this one. Maybe you are looking for a church to call *home*. Maybe you hope to discover an answer to some of life's big questions. Whatever has brought you to St. John today, *welcome*. As Christians who are Lutheran, we believe worship is a feast of God's Word and Holy Meal. The Word fills you with faith. The Meal fills you with Jesus Christ. St. John began in 1903 when a few people gathered for the Word and the Meal. Today, 115 years later, we gather for the same feast.

**To learn more about worship and St. John's story,  
click on the GET TO KNOW US page at [www.stjohnelc.org](http://www.stjohnelc.org)**

## ~ To Assist You at Worship ~

- *If you are considering becoming a member at St. John*, we ask that you begin by visiting with a pastor and attending a *new member coffee or meal*, held four times each year. For details, click on the MEMBERSHIP link on the GET TO KNOW US page at [www.stjohnelc.org](http://www.stjohnelc.org).
- *Personal amplifiers for the hearing impaired are available*. Please ask an usher.
- *Children's worship bags* are in the narthex and the Commons Area.
- *Childcare*: Children are always welcome in worship. The nursery is available for you, but not staffed during the summer. There is an audio feed of the service in the nursery. If a child needs a shorter break, there is wiggle room and a glider chair in the back of the church.
- *Holy Communion* is celebrated at each worship service. The table is open to all who believe in the redeeming power of Christ's love. You may stand or kneel and receive the bread and wine. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer or grape juice, simply ask the person serving.
- *The decision about when a child should commune is made by the parent*. We encourage families to visit with a pastor to learn about the sacrament before communing for the first time. Children communing should extend their hands. Children not communing are invited to fold their hands.
- *Coffee is served* in the Commons Area before Sunday worship services.
- St. John is a member congregation of the **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America** and part of the **Western North Dakota Synod**. St. John is a corporate member of Badlands Ministries Bible Camp and St. Luke's Nursing Home. ELCA and LCMS congregations in western and eastern North Dakota own Lutheran Social Services of N.D., a private, nonprofit social services agency.

~ Introductions to the Reading ~

Genesis 3: 8-15 - Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.

2 Corinthians 4: 13—5:1 - Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.

Mark 3: 20-35 - In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, sisters and brothers of Christ.

~ Worship Leaders ~

Preaching .....	Pastor Lisa Lewton	
Presiding .....	Pastor Joe Natwick	
Assisting Ministers .....		Thursday
	Tanna Reopelle	8:00 AM Sunday
	Chris Hertler	9:30 AM Sunday
Organist .....	Barb Arneson	Thursday
	Cheryl Hewson	Sunday
Servers .....	Gavin Weiler	Thursday
	Kate Enney	8:00 AM
	Liz Fadness	9:30 AM



**OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR @ PEACE LUTHERAN**

Basic Job Description: Peace Lutheran Church has an immediate opening for a permanent, part-time Office Administrator in Dickinson, ND. This position is responsible for supporting all business conducted within the church in collaboration with the ministers. As the Office Administrator, you will be responsible for providing general administrative and clerical support including: maintaining official church records, work to enable Peace Lutheran Church to effectively communicate, and manage the daily work of the church office. Applicant must be a self-starter, possess strong attention to detail, and have the ability to multi-task in an office environment. This position will be 10-18 hours per week with flexibility.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Proficient in Microsoft Office programs
- Professional composure and strong organizational skills
- Excellent interpersonal and customer service skills
- Basic accounting and accounting software experience preferred
- Previous experience preferred
- Effective oral and written communication skills
- Other office duties as needed

Submit resume to: [peacelutheran@ndsupernet.com](mailto:peacelutheran@ndsupernet.com) or talk to Bev Holdahl

## ~ This Week at St. John ~

Monday, June 11	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	Scouts Scouts UMC Worship Team
Tuesday, June 12	8:30 AM	Lutheran World Relief Quilting
Wednesday, June 13	9:30 AM	Staff Meeting
Thursday, June 14	Noon 7:00 PM	NO Circle 4 Worship
Friday, June 15	6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study/Breakfast at Perkins
Sunday, June 17	8:00 AM 9:30 AM	Worship Worship

### WORSHIP LIFE

At worship services this past week, these numbers reflect how many people were sent to *Live in Service to Christ*: Thursday 40, and Sunday 295.

### BAPTISM

On Sunday, we celebrate the baptism of Cameron Scott Morel. Cameron's parents are Greg and Shantel Morel. The sponsors are Landon Schmidt and Kelsey Erickson.



### GARDEN OF GRACE

Do you enjoy the beauty of the Garden of Grace? Would you like to assist in taking care of this space we share with the neighborhood? Sign up to be a "Caretaker for the Week"! During the week, you and your family / group can water the raised beds daily, and weed out the garden one time to keep it beautiful and welcoming for everyone who visits.

**HOW TO SIGN UP:** Go to the St. John website ([www.stjohnelc.org](http://www.stjohnelc.org)) and click on the link at the bottom of the homepage "When Am I Scheduled?". There is a sign up for Garden of Grace – you can choose the week that works best for you! Enjoy the outdoors and taking care of God's creation!

## ~ SERVE & CONNECT ~



### SUMMER DAY CAMP August 5th-9th

It's hard to imagine that summer is near! You can now register your child(ren) for Summer Day Camp. Preschoolers (age 4 by 8/1) through 6<sup>th</sup> grade (completed) can participate. Older students can register as a "Staff in Training" (SIT) if they are interested in helping out! There is no charge for this camp, however donations are welcome to help with supply costs. Sign up on the website or pick up a registration form from the bulletin board.



### YOU CAN BE INVOLVED WITH SUMMER DAY CAMP!

While the Badlands Ministries Counselors are leading the Day Camp, it is important for them to take care of themselves! You can help by ....

#### **BRINGING A MEAL!**

If you enjoy cooking, a homemade meal is always a great gift for the counselors! If you aren't a cook, dropping off a bucket of chicken or sub sandwiches will surely be a hit! Meals are needed for lunch and supper.

#### **OFFERING A BED!**

Getting plenty of restful sleep is important to greet over 100 children with a smile! If you have a spare room and are able to "host" counselors during camp (Aug. 5-9), it would be very much appreciated!

If you are interested in helping with camp in either of these ways, please contact Kaitlyn Olson at [kolson@stjohnelc.org](mailto:kolson@stjohnelc.org).

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For quick reference on mobile devices, download the St. John app! Search for [stjohnelc.org](http://stjohnelc.org) and download it today!

### QUILTS FOR SALE

You can support the ministry of the quilters by purchasing a quilt for \$65, or by donating clean sheets that are twin or king-sized.



### WELCOME COFFEE July 8th @ 10:30 am

Are you interested in being a member of the St. John community? We would love to give you a warm welcome! Come to the next "Welcome Coffee" to learn more about St. John and tour all of the areas of the church we call home. New members will be welcomed on Sunday, August 12th during the 9:30 am worship service.

### ST. JOHN DAY @ BADLANDS MINISTRIES Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 – 5:00 pm

All Church School children and families are invited to drive to Badlands Ministries Bible Camp and spend a fun afternoon centered in the beautiful badlands near Medora. Parents may accompany their preschoolers.

The Preschool-6<sup>th</sup> Grade children will be placed in small groups led by the Badlands Ministries Counselors. Please remember to pack a water bottle, sunscreen, and bug spray for your "camper".

Please RSVP to Denay Klein at 701-290-9925 or [dklein@stjohnelc.org](mailto:dklein@stjohnelc.org) by July 1st if you would like to attend this day camp, have any questions, or would like more information.

### BACKPACK & FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Don't forget these programs during the summer! Donations are needed all year long. You can drop off your donations for these programs in the baskets located in the Commons area (west wall). **Thank you for your generosity!**

