

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

MAY 17, 2026

8:30 AM AND 10:30 AM

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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who you are
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REMEMBER who you are
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uniquely created by God

made as one in the body of Christ

fully known in your baptism

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KIM KYLLO AND NATHAN LYKE, PASTORS
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 17, 2026

PRELUDE: *"This Joyful Eastertide"* arr. Wilbur Held

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS ELW p. 94

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
 who forgives all our sin,
 whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: 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.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

P: 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: *"God, We Gather as Your People"* ACS 1038
 Sing Vs. 1, 3 & 4



1 God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -
 2 Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be
 3 Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and
 4 God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and



bove, and we dare to claim the prom - ise of your love.
 free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,
 shame, so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.
 wide can . . . live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.



Though the day may not yet be here, we
 that they nev - er have a rea - son to
 May the mes - sage now be ban - ished that your
 As they grow in strength and stat - ure, may they

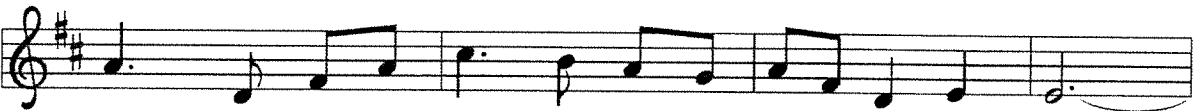


trust it soon will be, when your chil - dren will be free.
 doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest.
 love is for the few; may their faith in you re - new.
 join us hand in hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.

Refrain



Oh, may our hearts and minds be o - pened, fling the church doors o - pen



wide. May there be room e - nough for ev - 'ry - one in - side.



For in God there is a wel - come, in God we all be -



long. May that wel - come be our song.

Text: David Lohman, b. 1961

Music: WELCOME BE OUR SONG, David Lohman

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GREETING:

P: 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

P: Let us pray together:

C: **O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST READING: Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

L: A Reading from Psalms. Please read responsively

1 Let God arise, and let God's enemies be scattered;
let those who hate God flee.

2 **As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away;**
as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of
God.

3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;
let them also be merry and joyful.

4 **Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who rides the clouds;**
I AM is that name, rejoice before God!

5 In your holy habitation, O God,
you are a father to orphans, defender of widows;

6 **you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom;**
but the rebels shall live in desert places.

7 O God, when you went forth before your people,
when you marched¹ through the wilderness,

8 **the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God,**
the God of Sinai,

at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

9 You sent a bountiful rain, O God;
you restored your inheritance when it languished.

10 **Your people found their home in it;**
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

- Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;
sing praises to the Lord.
- **You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens;
you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.**
- Ascribe power to God,
whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies.
- **How wonderful you are in your holy places, O God of Israel,
giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God!**

L: The Word of the Lord
C: **Thanks be to God**

(10:30) Choir Anthem: *"All Things Bright and Beautiful"*Ferguson
Chancel Choir with Sunday School Singers
Cindy Johannessen on flute

Anthem Text

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great
and small,
All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made
them all.

1. Each little flower that opens, Each little bird that
sings,
God made their glowing colors, God made their tiny
wings. **Refrain**

2. The purple headed mountain, the river running by,

The sunset, and the morning that brightens up the
sky. **Refrain with Assembly**

3. The cold wind in the winter, The pleasant summer
sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden, God made them ev'ry
one. **Refrain with Assembly**

4. God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we
might tell
How great is God almighty, Who has made all things
well. **Refrain with Assembly**

CHILDREN'S SERMON.....Pastor Nathan Lyke

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW p. 171

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL READING: John 17:1-11

P: The Holy Gospel According to John

C: **Glory to you, O Lord**

1 After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples,] he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. 2 And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. 3 I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. 4 So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

5 "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. 6 Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, 7 for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. 8 I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. 9 All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. 10 And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

P: The Gospel of our Lord

C: **Praise to You, O Christ**

SERMON Pastor Kim Kylo

HYMN OF THE DAY: "I Come With Joy" ELW 482

Vs. 1-3 All, (10:30) Vs. 4-choir only, Vs. 5-All



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936
Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835
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APOSTLES CREED

**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.**

OFFERING MUSIC: *"For the Beauty of the Earth"*..... arr. David Lasky

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OFFERTORY: "Be Present at Our Table, Lord"..... Traditional
Assembly is invited to sing harmony

Be pres-ent at our ta-ble, Lord; be here and ev-ery -
where a-dored; thy crea-tures bless, and grant that we
may Strength - en for thy serv - ice be. A - men.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PETITION RESPONSE:

P: God of Grace
C: Receive our Prayer

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER..... ELW p. 173

**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.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE:

P: Come to this table: you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have come here often, and you who are here for the very first time. You have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come. This is Christ's table, and it is Christ who invites us here. These gifts of God are for the people of God. All are welcome.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: "*Lamb of God*" ELW 195

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
 us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948
 Music © 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" ELW 484

Refrain

You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.

Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.

- 1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out - poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your - self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,

so when you call your fam - 'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joice.
 that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav'n - ly food.
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?
 whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997
 Music: BICENTENNIAL, Robert E. Kreutz, 1922-1996
 Text and music © 1977 Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG: "Bind Us Together" WOV 748

Refrain

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that

can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,

bind us to - geth - er, Lord; bind us to - geth - er in love.

1 There . . is on - ly one God. There . . is on - ly one King.
 2 You are the fam-'ly of God. You are the prom-ise di - vine.

There . . is on - ly one Bod-y; that . . is why we can sing:
 You are God's cho-sen de - sire, you are the glo-rious new wine.

Refrain

DISMISSAL

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always

C: And also with you

P. We now encourage you to share the Peace of God with others as you leave.

POSTLUDE: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing" arr. Michael Burkhardt

Financial Information As of March 2026

General Fund Results	Month	Year to date
Budget	\$60,358	\$156,123
Revenue	\$56,267	\$147,454
Expenses	<u>\$48,534</u>	<u>\$165,544</u>
Net Income (loss)	\$ 7,733	\$(18,090)

Mortgage Fund is on track for the year

Announcements:

1. Please Note: Worship times change to the summer schedule **NEXT SUNDAY**. We will worship at 8:30 and 10:00am.
2. **Thursday Morning Small Groups:**
Paper Crafters Small Group - 1st Thursdays, 9 am - 2 pm
Quilters Small Group - 2nd & 3rd Thursdays, 9 am - 2 pm
Stitchers Small Group - 4th Thursdays, 9-11 am
3. **Mary Breakfast Bunch Small Group**
Facilitator: Jackie Knauff
Meets: 1st Tuesday of every month at 8:30 am; **Meets next June 2**
Where: Cracker Barrel, Lakeville
4. **Hannah Women's Study Small Group**
Facilitator: Ruth Weber
Meets next June 3. Contact Ruth for details.
Where: St. John's
Topic: A study of other religions and other faiths, with fellowship and treats. The study group is open to women of all ages and backgrounds.
5. **Coffee & Conversation at Highview Hills**
Pastor Kim hosts a monthly "Coffee & Conversation" at Highview Hills. St. John's members, friends and residents of HVH are welcome! The **final session** of Coffee and Conversation **meets on May 28 at 11:00am.**
6. **Dementia Caregivers Support Group**
If you are a family member or caregiver to someone experiencing Alzheimer's disease, join us for this small group, where you'll find an open environment for sharing feelings, thoughts, and experiences to better cope with and manage the shared problems of dementia.
Facilitators: Pastor Kim Kyлло & Lola Amendt (of Highview Hills)
Meets: Once/month, 3:30-4:30 pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month we **meet next on June 11**
Where: Highview Hills

7. **Used glasses needed!** Donate your used glasses, including sunglasses and reading glasses, to the Lions club collection box here at St. John's today!
8. **Prayer chain**
If you would like to be part of St. John's Prayer Chain, new members to this team are welcome. You can participate on an email team or on a phone team. If interested, please contact Candy in the church office at 952-469-4916.
9. Please review these **sign up links** for worship helpers which have lots of openings for you to choose from. Please review them and sign up for any that work for you. If you have any questions about any of these roles, please contact the church office.

Readers



Worship
Coordinators



Clickers



10. Sign up to give blood at the next Red Cross Blood Drive on **Tuesday, May 19** from noon to 6:00pm. One blood donation can help 3 people. This May, the American Red Cross wants people to celebrate more life and give blood. Pick your day and help keep the blood supply strong! When you come to give blood or platelets May 18-31, you'll snag an oversized Red Cross beach towel — perfect for every sunny adventure — while they last. Your donation truly makes a difference. Book now!
(Save the date for the next blood drive, scheduled for Thursday July 30).



11. **Last Day of Sunday School Celebration is TODAY! May 17.** We have so much to celebrate! We plan to be outside and have some bouncy fun planned! VBS pop up and information table. We will have a special gratitude card making station for kids to write thank you notes for teachers.
12. Looking for a time of beauty and joy? You are invited to a Piano Recital of musicians from the studio of Roxanne Litchfield.
Please join us this afternoon, Sunday, May 17 at 2pm right here at St. John's. The students play from a wide variety of music that will be a delight to hear. Refreshments to follow!

Save the Date!



RAINFOREST FALLS

Exploring the Nature of God



This summer, explore the nature of God
at Rainforest Falls VBS!

What: St. John's Rainforest Falls VBS

When: June 8-11, 2026

Time: 9:00AM-12:00PM

Where: St. John's Lutheran Church 20165 Heath Ave. Lakeville

Register at: _____



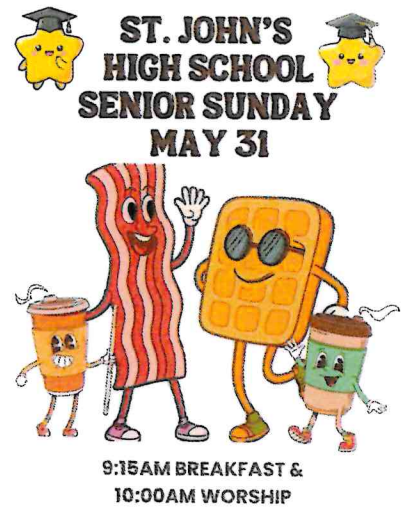
St. John's High School Senior Sunday

St. John's will be honoring our Senior High School Families on May 31 at the 10:00am service.

The entire congregation is invited to a special breakfast at 9:15am

Menu: Belgian Waffles, berries, whip cream, bacon, coffee and juice served by our Children, Youth and Family Team.

Our Senior Scholarship Recipients will be honored at the 10:00am service as well as seniors who have shown extraordinary service during their high school years to St. John's.



SJLCL Memorial Garden — 2026 Expansion Plant Listing **Photos of these plants and the design plan are located in the Narthex**

As we anticipate the 2026 growing season, our Memorial Garden Team is excited to announce another continuation in expanding garden areas surrounding the Columbarium site. This effort involves garden soil prep, plant selection and sourcing, as well as planting and mulch top dress installation.

Last fall, our garden team began preparing for this expansion with removal of existing sod and installation of black poly edging based on our long-term landscape vision and design for this sacred space.

The expanded planting design and plant listing are now available in the Narthex. The numbering system in the drawing serves as a key to planting positions. Probable costs are listed for each plant variety pending seasonal availability. We are fortunate indeed for our partnership with Don Cross and will source plant material locally through Cross Nurseries, Inc., Lakeville. The proposed design includes perennials, flowering shrubs, and evergreens as well as ornamental, and shade tree selections, the latter extending well into adjacent lawn grass rather than within the immediate garden beds.

Once again, we are opening this effort to the SJLCL congregation and our community partners as we seek support for this expansion. In addition to requests for funding new plant purchases, there are costs associated with soil preparation and wood mulch topdressing, all of which are necessary to successfully complete the installation.

If you have interest in supporting this effort, please contact Candy in the church office, Lisa Horn, our team chairperson, or any of our Memorial Garden Team members for more information.

Thank you!

Those Serving Today:

Organist..... Priscilla Thoreen
Lector Marvin Larson (8:30), Kay Halvorson (10:30)
Usher Team Leader Perry Fuerniss (8:30), Wright and Olson Families (10:30)
Communion Set Up & Clean Up Kathy Ziller
Communion Servers Marvin Larson, Kathy Ziller, Jackie Sorensen (8:30)
Pam Haukoos, Perry Fuerniss, Barry Fick (10:30)
Sound Tech..... Brandon Wright (8:30), Jennifer Milbradt (10:30)
Clicker Team..... Nancy Martin (8:30), (10:30)
Livestream Team Francine Capasso
Worship Coordinator (8:30), (10:30)
Coffee Servers John & Jeanne Hartwig, Arlene Kyte

Those Serving Next Week:

Organist..... Karen Olson
Lector (8:30), Carolyn Metcalf (10:00)
Usher team leaders..... Lisa Horn (8:30), Jeff Winkels (10:00)
Communion Set Up & Clean Up Laurie Barth
Communion Servers Jim Buckley, Christie Wright, Jackie Sorensen (8:30)
N/A Baptism (10:00)
Sound Tech..... Katie Henning (8:30), Sydnee Wright (10:00)
Clicker Team..... (8:30), (10:00)
Livestream Team Francine Capasso
Worship Coordinator John Hartwig (8:30), (10:00)
Coffee Servers Jeff & Kim Larson

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