**5th Sunday of Easter (“*Cantate*”) (Mother's Day)**  **May 10, 2020**

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)

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**WELCOME**! It’s our privilege to have you join us in being in the Presence of our Lord and Savior! At St. John, we follow the historic Liturgy of the Christian Church, which highlights the Biblical understanding of the True worship of God: *first and foremost*, that He Comes into our presence to give us His Saving Gifts (“Divine Service”) in His Word and Sacraments; and then in *response* we thank and praise Him in word and song, and pray for His continued Blessings.

Today – the **“5th Sunday of Easter”** – if referred to as **“*Cantate*,”** from **Psalm 98:1a**, “*Sing* to the LORD a New song.” “*Cantate*” is Latin for “sing.” Psalm 98:1a,2b serves as **today’s “*Introit*”** antiphon.

**Who should receive Holy Communion at St. John?:** *All Confirmed members* are invited to Commune, who are sorry for their sins and wish to be Forgiven and Strengthened. Also, *visitors from other L.C.-M.S. and T.A.A.L.C. churches*, who fit the same description, are welcome. So that no one else might eat and drink in Judgment of their sins (1 Cor. 11:29), *all others are asked to refrain* from Communing. If you are in doubt, please see Pastor or an Elder.

Prelude

**Opening Hymn: *LSB* #556:1-5** ~ “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” **(memory**)

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** “Divine Service, *Setting 1”* ***LSB* pp.151ff.**

 *Introit* (see white insert**;** read responsively by half Verse)

 **Hymn of the Day: *LSB* #556:6-10** ~ "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” **(memory**)
 “Growing as One” (see white insert)

 Readings (see back of white insert)

 Gradual (see front of same insert; read responsively by half Verse).

**Sermon Hymn: *LSB* #726** ~ “Evening and Morning”

**Sermon:** “Beloved Brothers [& Sisters]” James 1:16-21

**Post-Creed Hymn: *LSB* #809** ~ “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

**Offering Hymn (Mother’s Day): *LSB* #855:1, 3-4** ~“For All the Faithful Women”

**Post-Lord's Prayer Hymn: *LSB* #478** ~ "The Day of Resurrection"

**Closing Hymn: *LSB* #816** ~ “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

Postlude

 **STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

Psalm: 107:1-9 526
O.T.: Numbers 21:4-9 766
Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-6 or James 1:22-27 469; 563; 487,490

Gospel: John 16:23-30 (31-33) 917

 April – June ***Portals of Prayer*** are available in a box by the school doors.

 The May ***Lutheran Witness*** (with ***Michigan In Touch***) is available on the entryway table.

The **May newsletters** have been mailed.

 **A friendly reminder…**newsletter submissions are due to the church office by the 15th of the month preceding the month to publish. Bulletin announcements are due to the church office by Wednesday (9:00 am) before the Sunday to be published.

**THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

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**Office Hours:
THE OFFICE IS CLOSED DIRING THE COVID-19 SHUT DOWN.
WHEN HOURS RESUME:**Monday (*Pastor*): **9am – 1pm; 2-3pm**Tuesday (*Pastor & Kathy*): **9am – 11:30pm; 1-2pm**Wednesday (*Pastor*): **9am – 11:30pm**Thursday (*Pastor & Kathy*): **9am – 12pm; 1-2pm**Friday (Pastor & Kathy) **9am – 12pm** Please call ahead to make sure that someone is in.

**Stained Glass Window Fund**

**Total Needed: $124,000.00**

**Received so far $ 92,380.00 Finance Board (4-27-20) $11,025.00**

**Amount Still Needed: $ 31,620.00**

 **BUDGETED FINANCE REPORT - *Not Including Special Accounts***

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| **2019-2020 Fiscal Year** |
| **Needed per count** **Received (4-27-20)** **Needed year to date** **Received year to date**  |  **$ 8,060.00** **$ 2,955.00**  **$160,780.00** **$137,125.00**  |

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 ***Jesus Promises to Send His Holy Spirit, the Helper***

 Though Jesus has Departed from us visibly to the “Right Hand of the Father” who Sent Him, yet this is to our advantage. For Jesus—who is Lord over all creation, who “Intercedes for us” before the Father, who is “Preparing a Place for us in Heaven”— has Sent the Helper, the Spirit of Truth (John 16:5–15). *“Every Good Gift and every Perfect Gift is from Above, coming down from the Father of Lights”* through Jesus Christ (James 1:17). The Holy Spirit “Helps us by taking what is Christ’s and declaring it to us.” In the Word of Truth, the Spirit Works repentance and Delivers to us the Forgiveness of sins, the Righteousness of Christ, and Victory over the devil. For the ruler of this world is Judged and Defeated by the Cross. Through the Ministry of the Holy Spirit, we have been brought forth to “New Life” in Him who is the Firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. Confident of our Resurrection with Christ we confess, *“Behold, God is my Salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid”* (Is. 12:2).

**PRAYER LISTS** The following members and friends areknown to be in the

hospital, ailing or recovering and are in need of our prayers, cards, and visits.

**MEMBER PRAYERS**

**SHUT-INS**

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| Ivan/Betty Adkins | Mary Forbing | Willard Reinke |
| Arnold Brown | Yvonne Fuhrman  | Jeffrey Schave |
| Wade Cohoon (Colorado) | Patricia Griffore | Gloria Schmalz  |
| Elaine Eggert | Nathan Kaufman | Helen Schultz  |
| Nelson Erbisch | Charlie Koglin | Arlene Zelz |
| Howard/Della Finkel  | Elmer/Ruth Leese  |  |

**FRIENDS**

Lucille Setter (Mother of Carol Young)

Roman Jock (toddler cousin of Harold Collings)

Brendan Durkee (16 yr. old grandson of Merle & Patsy Eggert)

Riley Durkee (8 yr. old granddaughter of Merle & Patsy Eggert)

Ruby Maschke (Meadow Lane Assisted Living)

Isabel Mix (toddler old great-granddaughter of Elmer & Ruth Leese)

Jean Eggert (sister-in-law of Gary and Elain Eggert)

Earl Iseler

Staff Sergeant Ricky Holtz (recently deployed to South America; grandson-in-law of Emerson & Irene Pilaske), wife Kayla, and two sons.

Reecilyn Joy (daughter of Michael and Julie Joy)

All those affected by COVID-19.

**Barnabas Fund:** This fund is for the purpose of providing financial help for those in emergency need. Please consider donating toward this endeavor

**2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are now available for pick up in the entryway. Please sign up on the numbered clip-board sheet on the bulletin table and take the corresponding numbered envelope box.

**2020 Flower Chart** is up on the wall in the entryway. Please sign up on your special occasion dates to provide flowers to beautify our Chancel.

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