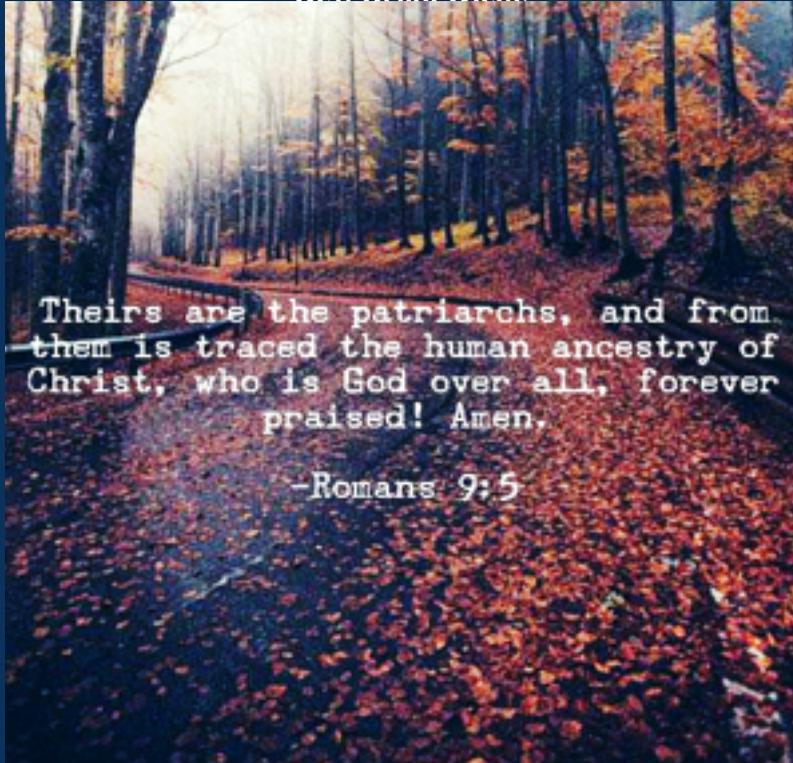


St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Our Mission:

- † Proclaim & teach to all ages God's law and loving gospel trusting the Holy Spirit's blessing on bringing people to repentance & faith in Jesus Christ for life and salvation.
- † Administer God's means of grace, namely Baptism and the Lord's Supper, trusting the Holy Spirit's blessing on believers' growth in faith and holy living to God's glory.

Service Broadcasts:

- † Sunday @ 8 a.m.
WKCQ (98.1 FM)
- † Monday @ 7 p.m.

Charter Cable TV Channel 191

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- † Evangelical Lutheran Synod
www.els.org



www.stjohns-frankenmuth.org

Dear guests, welcome! We are glad that you have joined us. Our service is printed for you in this worship folder or you may follow along in Christian Worship, the red hymnal. For the hymns, you will need to turn to the red hymnal. If you need assistance, please speak to an elder or an usher at the rear of the sanctuary.

Hearing assistance devices and large print folders are available. Please speak to an elder or an usher for assistance.

Parents with young children: We encourage parents to bring their children to worship and strive to make it as convenient as possible. The pews in the back of the church are reserved for those with small children. We have equipped the church cry room and entry way with seating and a sound system. If your little one becomes restless during the service, you may take your child(ren) there and continue to see and hear the service until you are ready to return to the sanctuary.



MORNING PRAISE

August 27, 2017

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

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Children's Message

HYMN: #422, Jesus, Lead Us On

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

STAND

M: Dearly beloved! We have come together in the presence of God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hand, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and salvation. O come, let us worship him! Let us kneel and bow down before him. Let us confess our sins with penitent hearts, and obtain forgiveness by his infinite grace and mercy.

C: **Almighty and most merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed the devices and desires of our hearts. We have offended against your holy law. We have done those things which we should not have done, and we have not done those things which we should have done. Have mercy on us, O Lord! Spare us and restore us, according to the promises you have declared to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord. For his sake grant that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy name.**

M: The almighty and merciful Lord has granted us pardon and forgiveness of all our sins, grace for true repentance and amendment of life, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

M: ♪ O Lord, open my lips.

C: ♪ **And my mouth shall declare your praise.**

M: ♪ Hasten to save me, O God.

C: ♪ **O Lord, come quickly to help me.**

M: ♪ The Spirit of the Lord fills the world: let us worship him.

C: ♪ **Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving, let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods. The deep places of the earth are in his hand; the heights of the hills are also his. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.**

BE SEATED

THE WORD

Old Testament lesson: **1 Kings 19:9-18**

And the word of the Lord came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He replied, “I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.” The Lord said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.” Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in

the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He replied, “I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.” The Lord said to him, “Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael King over Aram. Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi King over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and all whose mouths have not kissed him.”

Psalm of the Day: **Psalm 73**, page 94, sung.

Gospel lesson: **Matthew 14:22-33**

STAND

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.” “Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.” “Come,” he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!” Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?” And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

BE SEATED

HYMN: #415, Be Still, My Soul

SERMON

STAND

Sermon lesson: **Romans 9:1-5**

I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it in the Holy Spirit —I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption as sons; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of Christ, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

BE SEATED

Sermon Theme: **Christian Anguish Causes Christian Action**

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

BE SEATED

OFFERING

STAND

OFFERING HYMN: #485, We Give Thee but Thine Own (stanzas 3 & 4)

M:  In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.

C:  **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

BE SEATED

HYMN: #431, I Walk in Danger All the Way (stanzas 1-5)

STAND

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

M:  Let us praise the Lord.

C:  **Thanks be to God.**

THE BENEDICTION

M: 🎵 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: 🎵 Amen.

BE SEATED

HYMN: #431, I Walk in Danger All the Way (stanza 6)

Preacher: Pastor Jeffery J. Luplow

Liturgist: Vicar Noah Thompson

Organist: Florence Oblender

Greeters: Tom & Carole Steinbauer

Next Week's Greeters: Rodger & Judy Grulke

Radio Technician: Lynn Finkbeiner, Karen Koester & Ruth Reinert

TV Technicians: Christopher Auerbach, Madison Jammer, Ryan & Sheila Frahm

Attendance Last Week

Worship Service – 98

MediLodge 8/18 – 12 Wellspring 8/18 – 26 Covenant Glen 8/24 – 16

Elders/Ushers

This Sunday, August 27

Elders: Mike List, Herb Luplow
Ushers: Art & Barb Dalasinski,
Gary & Sharon Huber

Next Sunday, September 3

Elders: Dale Jammer, Tom Steinbauer
Ushers: Art & Barb Dalasinski,
Keith Jammer, Todd Jammer

Calendar

Sunday: Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday: Finance B 6:00 p.m.

Thursday: Covenant Glen Service 1:30 p.m.

Friday: Wellspring Service 3:30 p.m.

Next Sunday: Communion Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Please keep our ill, hospitalized and recently hospitalized in your prayers. If you know of anyone who is ill, in the hospital, or desiring a pastoral visit, please notify Pastor Luplow, Vicar Thompson or the church office. Although the hospital staff may ask you for your home church information, please don't assume the church will be contacted.

Noah's Ark & Creation Museum: The Planning Committee is finalizing the trip to the Creation Museum and Noah's Ark for September 21-22. Prices are: \$280 for a single occupancy room, \$225 for double occupancy and \$205 for triple occupancy. These prices include: transportation, 1 night of lodging, breakfast and entrance tickets to the two attractions. Please fill out a registration form located on the kiosk in the gathering space. Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Box Tops: St. John's is starting to collect box tops again. We will be sending these over to St. Luke's Lutheran School in Vassar. There is a basket located on the pew across from the mailboxes. If you have any questions, contact the church office.

Sunday School & Bible Classes: On Sunday, September 10, Sunday School and Bible Class will resume beginning at 9:00 a.m. On September 12, Tuesday Bible Class will resume at 11:00 a.m. See you there!

St. John's Choir: It is almost time again for the choir year to start. If you can sing, please consider joining our choir. You do not have to be able to read music. Choir practice is on Thursdays from 7:00 p.m. to approximately 8:00 p.m. (a few times to 8:30 p.m.). Our first practice is scheduled for Thursday, September 7 (the Thursday after Labor Day). We hope to see you there!

A Return To Grace: In commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation, a movie about Martin Luther's life was produced. A member of St. Luke's (Vassar) has reserved the Vassar Theater to hold a viewing of the film. There is a sign-up sheet located on the kiosk for those that would like to attend. It will be shown on October 15 at 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person. We will need people to commit so that we have a number to relay back to St. Luke's.

Evangelical Heritage Version (EHV) New Testament and Psalms: Northwestern Publishing House has released the Wartburg Project's Holy Bible: Evangelical Heritage

Version (EHV) *New Testament and Psalms*. This new translation will feel both fresh and familiar to readers. The readable style of the EHV will help readers understand clearly what God is revealing to them through his Word. St. John's has a sign-up sheet on the kiosk if you would be interested in purchasing one of these softcover Bibles. They will be sold for \$15.00; payment due when you receive your Bible.