

# The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



**Saint John Lutheran Church**

Hattiesburg, Mississippi

**August 12, 2018**

# Welcome!

*"How great is the Love the Father has lavished on us!" (1 John 3:1).*

We are thankful that you are joining in the worship of the people of God this day. Ushers at the door are glad to assist you at any time.

- Please check that cell phones are silenced.
- Restrooms are located down either hallway to the right.
- Prayer requests may be written on the white cards in the pew rack and given to an usher before worship begins, or as you leave.
- A nursery is available to parents as needed, past the double wooden doors on the left.
- Activity bags to help keep young children occupied during the message are provided in the back right corner of the sanctuary.
- Please tell us a bit about yourself on the *Record of Friendship* during the collection of the offering.

## **About the Offering**

An offering is gathered today during the worship service. Here the people of God bring their tithes and sacrificial offerings as an expression of their discipleship, and for the continuation of Jesus' mission work, both in this community and to the ends of the earth. Guests are not expected to bring financial gifts, but are welcome to join the congregation in offering their prayers and praises.

## **About Holy Communion**

Today we celebrate Holy Communion. In this, we remember that the divine is united with the created as one in the person of Jesus.

This altar is the Lord's table. Here all are welcome who acknowledge their need for a Savior, and look to Jesus. We believe what he simply says about the bread – "This is my body, given for you." – and about the wine – "This is my blood, shed for you." Thus, the Lord Jesus is truly present for his redeemed people in this holy meal. In this we retain the divine mystery in the midst of his ordinary creation. From the many seeds of wheat come one loaf. From the many grapes are pressed one cup. His many diverse people constitute one body and community of faith.

Young children are welcome to this altar to receive a blessing, as are those who have not been instructed in the Christian faith. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest or by simply asking for a blessing.

Alcohol-removed communion wine is available for those who desire it. The individual communion cups in the center of the tray contain denatured wine, which contains less than ½% alcohol. This wine is pink in color. Gluten-free wafers are available at distribution upon request.

*We are imperfect people and we live in an imperfect world. We are all in this together. So when we believe or act wrongly towards someone, or when we feel that another has wronged us, we commit ourselves to the humble teaching and forgiving pattern of Jesus in Matthew 18.*

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## + GATHERING +

**Prayer as We Begin** — *Please stand.*

**C** Heavenly Father, as we come before you this morning in Jesus' name, we pray all that we say and do in our worship will give you glory. Help us, Lord, to focus our thoughts on you, so your Word will find fertile ground in our minds and hearts. May the worship service today accomplish in us the purpose you desire. Amen.

### Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

**L** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**L** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**L** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.

**L** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

**L** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

### Kyrie



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**C** Amazing grace, Lord! Amazing grace, Lord! Amazing grace, Lord!

## Apostles' Creed

**L** This is the faith into which we've been baptized and by which we live:

**C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence 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.**

### Catechesis: The Creed

*As the head of the family should teach the Creed in a simple way to their household.*

*(From the Small Catechism)*

The First Article: Creation – **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

What does this mean? – **I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that he has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.**

**He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have.**

**He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this he does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey him. This is most certainly true.**

## Salutation and Collect Prayer

**L** The LORD be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**L** We pray together...

**☩ Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## + WORD +

### First Reading

1 Kings 19:1-8

**L** *The Old Testament Reading for the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost is from First Kings, chapter nineteen. Following his defeat and deadly destruction of the false prophets of Baal at Mount Carmel, the Prophet Elijah is threatened with death by Baal-worshipping Jezebel, wife of evil King Ahaz. Elijah flees for his life, first to the Southern Kingdom of Judah, and then to Mount Sinai (also called Mount Horeb). The Lord sends his messenger to strengthen him for the journey with a meal of bread, which is more than it appears.*

<sup>1</sup>Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup>Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." <sup>3</sup>Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. <sup>4</sup>But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." <sup>5</sup>And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." <sup>6</sup>And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. <sup>7</sup>And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." <sup>8</sup>And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

**L** This is the Word of the LORD.

**☩ Thanks be to God.**

### Second Reading

Ephesians 4:17—5:2

**L** *The Epistle is from Ephesians, chapters four and five. Saint Paul picks up the theme again from the beginning of chapter four, that we should live a life worthy of the calling we have received in Christ.*

<sup>17</sup>Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. <sup>18</sup>They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. <sup>19</sup>They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. <sup>20</sup>But that is not the way you learned Christ!— <sup>21</sup>assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, <sup>22</sup> to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, <sup>23</sup>and to be

renewed in the spirit of your minds, <sup>24</sup>and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

<sup>25</sup>Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and give no opportunity to the devil. <sup>28</sup>Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. <sup>29</sup>Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. <sup>32</sup>Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. <sup>2</sup>And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

**L** This is the Word of the LORD.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia Verse** — *Please stand.*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Holy Gospel**

John 6:35-51

**L** The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the sixth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to the crowd, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. <sup>36</sup>But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. <sup>37</sup>All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. <sup>38</sup>For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup>And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. <sup>40</sup>For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

<sup>41</sup>So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup>They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless the Father who sent

me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— <sup>46</sup>not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

**L** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

**Children's Message — Chris Keiper**

**I am the Bread of Life —** *Choir sings the verses: congregation joins at the refrain.*

1 "I am the Bread of life. You who  
 2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my  
 3 "Un - less . . . . . you . . . . . eat of the  
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion, . . . . .  
 5 Yes, Lord, . . . . . I be - lieve that . . . . .

come to me shall not . . . hun - ger, and who be -  
 flesh for the life of the world, . . . . . and if you  
 flesh of the Son of . . . Man . . . . . and . . .  
 I . . . . . am the . . . life. . . . . If you be -  
 you . . . . . are the . . . Christ, . . . . . the . . .

lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to  
 eat . . . . . of this bread, you shall . . live for -  
 drink . . . . . of his blood, and drink . . . . . of his  
 lieve . . . . . in . . . me, e - ven . . though you  
 Son . . . . . of . . . God, who . . . . . has . . .

me un - less the . . Fa - ther beck - ons."  
 ev - er, . . . . . you shall . . live for - ev - er."  
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."  
 die, . . . . . you shall . . live for - ev - er."  
 come in - to . . . . . the . . . . . world. . . . .



Refrain

“And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.”

**The Message** — Eating with Companion Jesus on the Last Day

**The Prayers of the Church**

**The Collection of Tithes and Offerings** — *For the continuation of Christ’s work, both in this place and to the ends of the earth. You may also donate online.*

**Get Connected** — *We are grateful to worship together today. Please note your attendance in the Record of Fellowship. New and updated contact information is always helpful. Thanks!*

## + MEAL +

*This is Christ’s table. Our Savior invites those who trust in him to share the feast which he has prepared. In this meal we truly receive the body and blood of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. This is a great and divine mystery! Here we are joined with God and all the saints, and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Young children and those who would prefer to receive a blessing are welcome to come forward.*

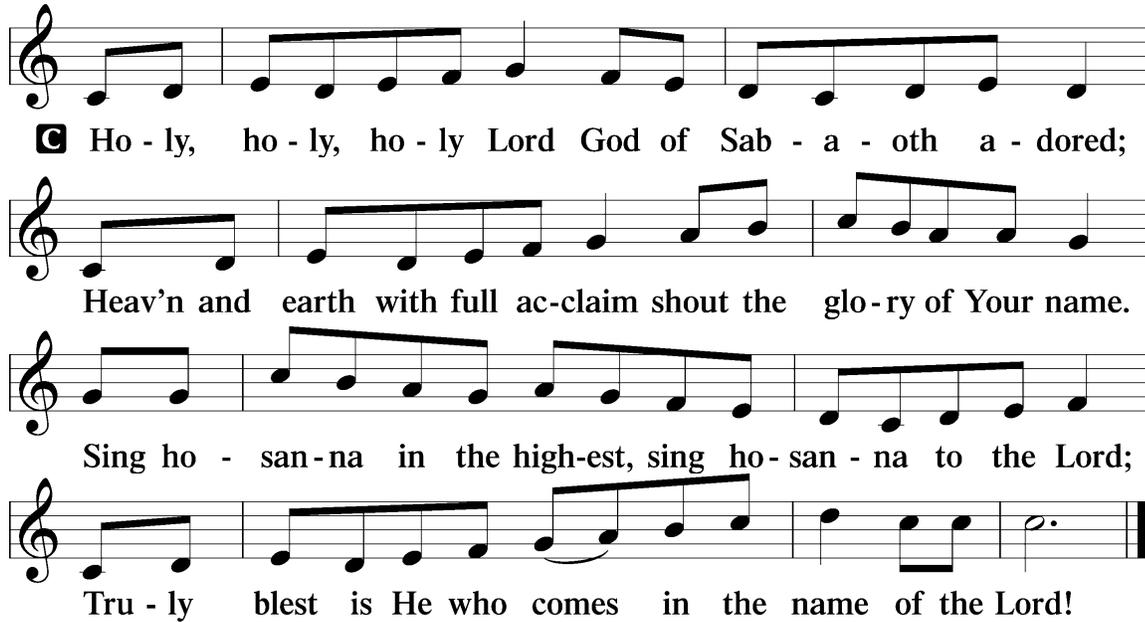
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**The Preface and Hymn of Praise** — *Please stand.*

- 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 Him thanks and praise.**
- It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

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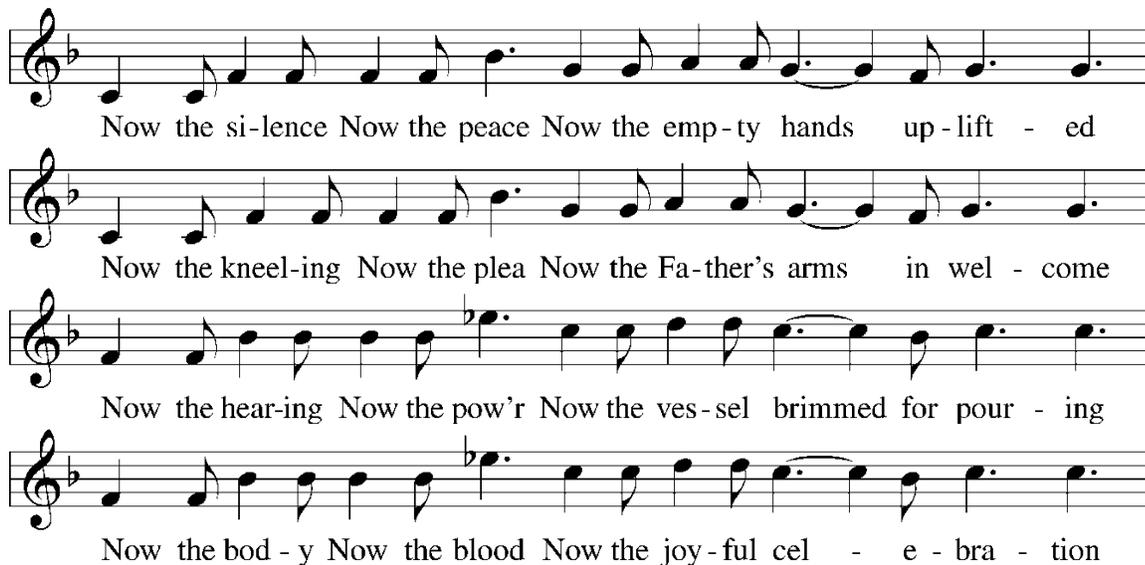
**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Our Father

**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.

## The Words of Institution

### 910 Now the Silence



Now the si-lence Now the peace Now the emp-ty hands up - lift - ed  
Now the kneel-ing Now the plea Now the Fa-ther's arms in wel - come  
Now the hear-ing Now the pow'r Now the ves-sel brimmed for pour - ing  
Now the bod - y Now the blood Now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion



Now the wed-ding Now the songs Now the heart for-giv - en leap - ing  
 Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e-piph - a - ny  
 Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

*Please be seated.*

## Distribution Hymns

### 631 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;  
 2 Here would I feed up - on the bread of God,  
 3 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;  
 4 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need

Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;  
 Here drink with Thee the roy - al wine of heav'n;  
 This is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread for me;  
 An - oth - er arm but Thine to lean up - on.

Here grasp with firm - er hand the e - ter - nal grace,  
 Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
 Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long  
 It is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;

And all my wea - ri - ness up - on Thee lean.  
 Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n.  
 The brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with Thee.  
 My strength is in Thy might, Thy might a - lone.

- 5 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;  
 Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;  
 Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:  
 Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.

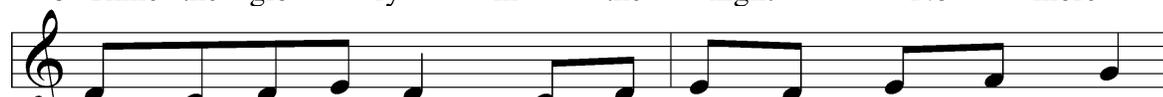


- 6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;  
 The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;  
 The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;  
 Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.
- 7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,  
 Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,  
 Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,  
 The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

## 680 Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -  
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the  
 3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the  
 4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the  
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head  
 prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree  
 ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee  
 won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise  
 dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the  
 Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the  
 Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the  
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the  
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the  
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the  
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
 liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
 won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.  
 splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

## + SENDING +

### Concluding Prayer, Benedicamus, and Blessing

**P** Let us bless the LORD.

**G** Thanks be to God.

**P** We speak the Romans 15 blessing to one another:

**May the God of HOPE  
fill you with all JOY and PEACE  
as you TRUST in him,  
so that YOU may overflow with HOPE  
by the POWER of the Holy Spirit.**

**P** The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**G** Amen

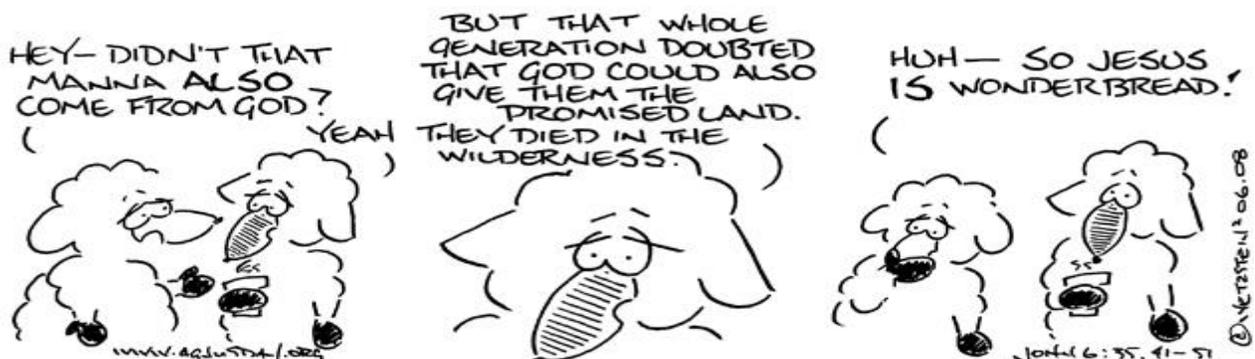
### 632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee



1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt  
2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is  
thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -  
come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -  
ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.  
in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

### Would you like to pray with someone following worship?

A Prayer Servant will be stationed at the right sanctuary window following the sending hymn today. They will gladly serve you in prayer. Anything you share with them will be kept confidential. Our heavenly Father delights in the prayers of his people.



## Serving the Lord Today

<b>Pastor</b>	John Karle 318.332.3352 johnkarle17@gmail.com
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Nancy Kaul and Josie Nwachuku
<b>Organist</b>	Jason Sims
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Fred Songy 601.744.6765
<b>Ushers</b>	Wayland Johnson and Terry Lovdahl
<b>Nursery</b>	Gabby Bulger

### **Office Hours:**

Wednesday-Thursday, 9am-1pm.

### **Sunday Bulletin Deadline:**

Wednesday at 10am.

**Altar Flowers:** Terry and Patrice Lovdahl  
in Celebration of their Anniversary.

**Eternal Candle:** The Lovdahl Family in  
Celebration of Ryne's Birthday

## Today's Theme

*Bread from heaven sustains God's people for life's temporal and eternal journey. Prompted by an angel, Elijah consumes cake and water that mysteriously appears, sufficient for forty days and nights. Mysteriously and rightfully, Jesus claims to be the living bread that came down from heaven. He willingly engages in the human story, in the flesh, giving Himself up as an offering and sacrifice to God. Because this Christ is our bread of life, we will live forever.*

### Birthdays

Evelyn Bentley	August 12
Eartha Dear	August 12
Helen Hollingsworth	August 14
Bailey Walters	August 14

### Baptisms

Judy Wastvedt	August 16
Colin Cubley	August 17

### Scriptures for Next Sunday

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Ephesians 5:6-21

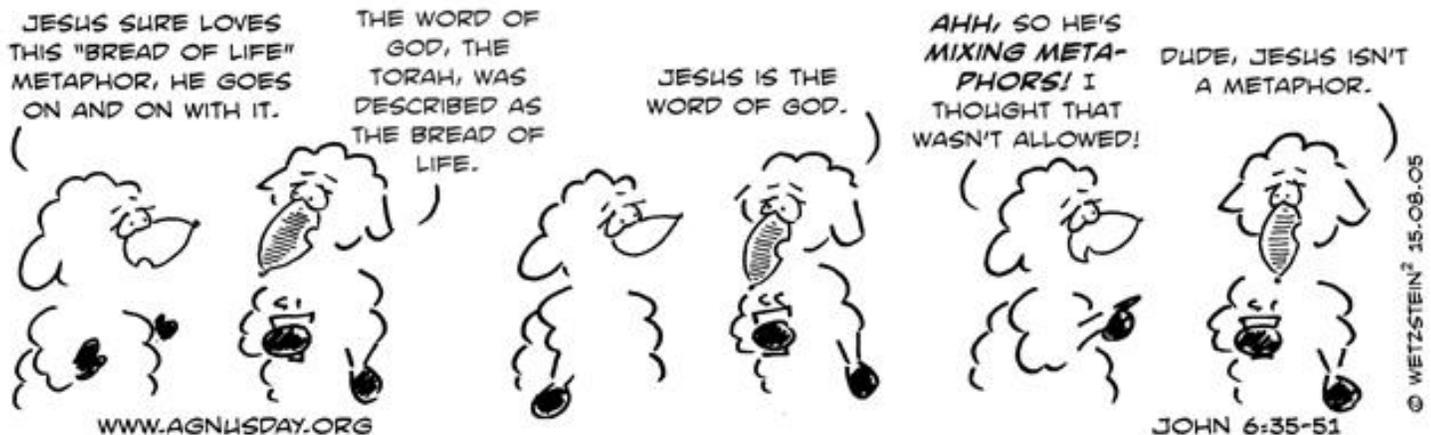
John 6:51-69

**Hearing Assistance Devices** are available from the ushers upon request.

**Live Streaming of Worship Services** — [www.saintjohnhattiesburg.com](http://www.saintjohnhattiesburg.com).

**Online Giving** — Online giving is available to members and friends of Saint John via the 'Give' tab on our webpage. Thank you for supporting our work together in Jesus' name.

**Children's Sunday School** — Sunday School resumes TODAY for children ages 5-5<sup>th</sup> grade.



**Campus Mission** — Welcome to all college students! We're glad you're here. Please check in with Pastor John after worship today (or text/call at 318.332.3352).

**Oktoberfest Quilt Ticket Instructions** — The Oktoberfest quilt will be raffled at 4pm on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Each family has an envelope containing 10 tickets in their foyer mailbox. The Kaffee Klatsch asks for your help in selling tickets to the raffle. Tickets are \$2 each. Turn in money and stubs by Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Please see Darlene Boortz, Debbie Frederick, or Chris Noffke for more tickets or to turn in money and ticket stubs. Thank you for your help!

**Oktoberfest Team Meeting** — Next Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup> after worship.

**Bratwurst Order Deadline August 19<sup>th</sup>** — Brats cost \$34 for a box of 30 (2 packages). Please sign up on the double wooden doors to order. Brats are delivered the first week of October.

**Kitchen Cabinet Picture Today** — The "Kitchen Cabinet" is all those folks who regularly organize, use, do the cooking, and such. We want a group picture with all of you and the new countertops, today following worship. Thank you, Kaffee Klatsch for making this happen! Bring your big smiles!

**Thank you** — I would like to say thank you to everyone who helped make the Back to School Bash such a success. This event would not happen without everyone's help. - Gabby

**Facebook Posts** — Want to make sure you don't miss any of our Facebook posts? We post nearly every day, and we want you to stay up to date on what's happening at Saint John Hattiesburg!

You can prioritize our Facebook page, so you don't miss anything. Here's how: From your computer, visit our Facebook page 'Saint John Hattiesburg' and click on the middle box that says "Following." Then select "See First" under "News Feed."

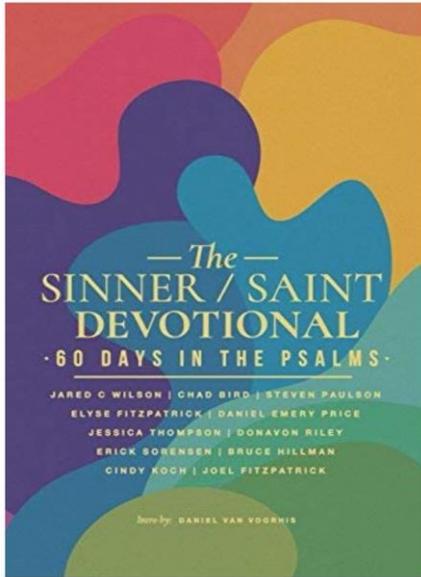
If you're using Facebook on your mobile device, click on the lines in the bottom right corner. Go to "Settings & Privacy" then "Settings."

Scroll to "News Feed Preferences" and select "Prioritize who to see first." You can choose up to 30 pages and people to see first when you log into Facebook.

If you have any questions, feel free to email [stjohnlutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnlutheranchurch@gmail.com).

## — Community Activities —

**What's Happening?** Check out the Events page at [www.saintjohnhattiesburg.com](http://www.saintjohnhattiesburg.com)



**Sixty Days in the Psalms** — We are halfway through sixty days of focused devotional time in preparation for the **Christ Hold Fast – City Event** we’re hosting at Saint John Hattiesburg on Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. We’re using the book ***The Sinner/Saint Devotional: 60 Days in the Psalms*** as a guide. We’ve ordered a book for each household, which are available today for a donation of \$15. The book features various contributors, four of whom will be speaking here in September (Chad Bird, Cindy Koch, Daniel Emery Price, Jared C. Wilson). The devotional program begins today with the book introduction, and then a devotion each day. A reading guide is included.

You can find out more about the Christ Hold Fast – City Event on September 15th at <http://www.chrightholdfast.org/hattiesburg>

**Dig In Sunday School Starts Today** — We're excited that our Dig In Sunday school started this morning. See more details on ages, goals, and the big picture in last Thursday's email or Facebook post, or the August church newsletter. Sunday mornings at 9:15am is a great time to be a kid at Saint John Hattiesburg!

**Sunday Morning Discipleship Training for Adults** — Preparations are under way for classes to start later this month. Until then we're enjoying coffee fellowship and watching ... it's a surprise! We start each Sunday morning at 9:15am. Come early for the best coffee, sweetest sweets, and encouraging conversation!

**The August Newsletter** was emailed this past Thursday. Printed copies are available at the foyer mailboxes. Look for background, history, and details about Oktoberfest, recent improvements to the church campus, and advance information on fall activities.

THIS WEEK						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>9:15am Sunday School</u>  <u>10:30am Worship</u>	<u>12pm AA</u>	<u>12pm AA</u>	<u>12pm AA</u>	<u>10am West Hattiesburg Bible Study</u>  <u>12pm AA</u>	<u>12pm AA</u>	<u>10am AA</u>

<b>Prayers Needed</b>			
Chris Thiel	Serving Stateside (S.C.)	Son of Norbert and Trenia Thiel	10/1/16
Kelly Thiel	Serving Stateside (N.C.)	Son of Norbert and Trenia Thiel	11/20/16
Cory Thiel	Serving Overseas	Son of Norbert and Trenia Thiel	12/4/16
Bailey Walters	Serving Overseas	Member	11/27/16
Matt Geroux	Serving Overseas	Son of Kerry and Debbie	12/13/17
Joey Kahrs	Serving Overseas	Family of Cheryl Webb	2/18/18
Bill Lowry	Serving Stateside	Member	4/21/18
Scott Chaney	Serving Stateside	Member	5/6/18
Edward Curry	Cancer	Brother of Shelia Curry	2/11/18
Jerry Frederick	Cancer	Member	4/29/18
Nelson Cubley	Lymphoma	Brother of Bob Cubley	5/15/18
Charlotte Walsh	Cancer	Family of Bill Coll	6/3/18
Dale McClanahan	Cancer	Cousin of Virginia Rosenberger	7/11/18
John Krahling	Cancer	Son of Joyce Coll	7/15/18
Michelle Karcher	Cancer	Cousin of Bill Coll	8/3/18
Richard Radavich	Health and Strength – Tumor	Member	1/31/18
Lisa Nause	Breast Cancer	Daughter of Rita Wilson	8/5/18
Landon Payton	Heart Surgery	Family friend of LaTrousha Ezell	8/5/18
John Case	Health and Strength	Brother of Dewey Case	6/24/18
Edith Pierce	Health and Strength	Member	7/1/18
Jerry Marth	Health and Strength	Friend of Mark Keyl	7/22/18
Carter Montgomery	Broken Neck – Recovery	Friend of the Emmons'	7/1/18
Gary Meadows	Recent Surgery	Father of Trenia Thiel	7/4/18
Justin Girod	Health and Strength	Community Member	7/31/18
Family of Sally Hanson	Recently Died	Member	7/28/18
Family of Carol Varga	Recently Died	Member	7/30/18
Family of Mark Bowen	Recently Died	Stepdad of Bridgette Lee	7/30/18
Family of Maggie Hanberry	Recently Died	Friend of the Lovdahl Family	7/31/18
Family of Maynard Working	Recently Died	Member	8/7/18

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