

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE:
THE ONLY FOOD
WE REALLY NEED

**Pastor Zietlow's Sermon:
John 6:60-69 "Go To Jesus For the Truth"**

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We pray that you find comfort, peace, and motivation through God's Word today. In our worship bulletin, you will find an outline of **today's order of worship**. The entire service can be found in the hymnal, up on the screen on Sunday at St. John's and Emmanuel and livestreamed at www.stjohnsmontello.org and also at St. John's in the Lower Level. At St. John's, the **restrooms** are located in the link way, out the church entry way, to the left and down the stairs. At Emmanuel, they are located in the Parish Hall. You may also find a **nursery changing station** in the lower level of St. John's.

ST. JOHN'S & EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCHES-WELS

August 24 & 25, 2024

Emmanuel: Sun. 8:00am

St. John's: Sat. 4:30pm & Sun. 10:00am

IAM THE BREAD OF LIFE

“From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him” (John 6:66). What happened?! Jesus had recently fed many thousands of people. Everywhere he went, he was mobbed by a multitude looking for the hope and healing Jesus provided. In the first part of Jesus’ ministry, he was extremely popular. That changed so quickly. At this time many followers walked away from Christ. What had Jesus done that was so bad? He said, “I am the bread of life.” That statement seems, at worst, to be cryptic. It doesn’t seem offensive. But as the crowd grasped what Jesus was claiming, they decided they no longer wanted anything to do with him. Bread is a staple food, something people eat every day (especially in Jesus’ day). Scripture will sometimes refer to bread and water as all one needs to sustain physical life. In this worship series we will examine what Jesus is teaching when he calls himself “the bread of life.” We will discuss why people would abandon Jesus for making that claim. And we will wrestle with whether we would ever do the same.

THE ONLY FOOD WE REALLY NEED

As Jesus concluded his Bread of Life discourse, many said, “This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?” and walked away. Read carefully. They did not say the teaching was hard to understand. The meaning was clear enough. Jesus was teaching that the only chance to enjoy eternity in heaven is through a close connection to him. He is the only bread that gives eternal life. That isn’t hard to understand, but it is hard to accept. Eating this bread means reordering our lives so that Jesus is by far our highest priority. It means loving the Blesser infinitely more than his earthly blessings. It means realizing that Jesus is the only thing we really need. If we had nothing but him, we would not lack anything that ultimately matters. Jesus watches the multitudes walking away from him. He turns to the Twelve—he turns to us this week—and he whispers, “You do not want to leave me too, do you?” May the Spirit give us the wisdom to answer, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.”

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HYMNS: 632, 631, 573, 521

PSALM: 119D "Teach Me, O LORD"

SERMON: John 6:60-69 "Go To Jesus For the Truth 1. His words are living 2. His words are life-giving"

OPENING HYMN: 632 "Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear"



1 Lord, o - pen now my heart to hear, and through your
 2 Your Word in - spires my heart with - in; your Word grants
 3 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the



Word to me draw near. Let me your Word e'er pure re -
 heal - ing from my sin. Your Word has pow'r to guide and
 Spir - it, Three in One, shall glo - ry, praise, and hon - or



tain; let me your child and heir re - main.
 bless; your Word brings peace and hap - pi - ness.
 be now and through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

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In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONFESSION

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

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Glory Be to God on High

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



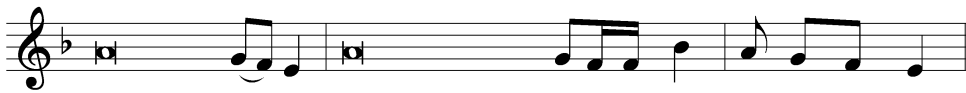
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



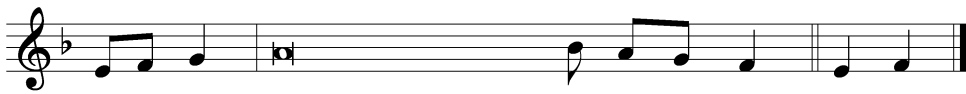
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess him to be the

Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1,2,14-18

(Joshua asks the Israelites to remain faithful to God who had brought them out of Egypt. The LORD was the only God they needed or wanted.)

¹Then Joshua assembled all the tribes of Israel at Shechem. He summoned the elders, leaders, judges and officials of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. ²Joshua said to all the people, "This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: 'Long ago your ancestors, including Terah the father of Abraham and Nahor, lived beyond the Euphrates River and worshiped other gods. ¹⁴"Now fear the Lord and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. ¹⁵But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." ¹⁶Then the people answered, "Far be it from us to forsake the Lord to serve other gods! ¹⁷It was the Lord our God himself who brought us and our parents up out of Egypt, from that land of slavery, and performed those great signs before our eyes. He protected us on our entire journey and among all the nations through which we traveled. ¹⁸And the Lord drove out before us all the nations, including the Amorites, who lived in the land. We too will serve the Lord, because he is our God."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 119D "Teach Me, O LORD"

Refrain

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your stat - utes.

Tone



Oh, how I / love your law!
I meditate on it / all day long.
Your commands are always / with me
and make me wiser than my / enemies.
I have more insight than all my / teachers,
for I meditate on your / statutes. *Refrain*

I have kept my feet from every / evil path
so that I might o- / bey your word.
How sweet are your words / to my taste,
sweeter than honey / to my mouth!
I gain understanding from your / precepts;
therefore I hate every / wrong path.
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:24-28

(In faith Moses chose to be part of the people of God rather than remaining an Egyptian prince. Being with Christ in the true Promised Land was all Moses needed or wanted.)
²⁴By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. ²⁵He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward. ²⁷By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the king's anger; he persevered because he saw him who is invisible. ²⁸By faith he kept the Passover and the application of blood, so that the destroyer of the firstborn would not touch the firstborn of Israel.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 6:68



Refrain



Tone



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GOSPEL READING: John 6:35-56 (Sermon Text Underlined)

(Jesus declares that anyone wise enough to eat the bread of life will live forever.)

⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.” ⁵²Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. ⁵⁶Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹He said this while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum. ⁶⁰On hearing it, many of his disciples said, “This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?” ⁶¹Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶²Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! ⁶³The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. ⁶⁴Yet there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. ⁶⁵He went on to say, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled

them." ⁶⁶From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

⁶⁷"You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY: 631 "Speak, O Savior, I Am Listening"



1 Speak, O Sav - ior, I am lis - t'ning, as a ser - vant
2 Oh, what bless - ing to be near you and to lis - ten
3 Lord, your words are wa - ters liv - ing where I quench my
4 As I pray, dear Je - sus, hear me; let your words in



to his lord. Let me show re - spect and hon - or
to your voice; let me ev - er love and fear you,
thirst - y needs. Lord, your words are bread life - giv - ing;
me take root. May your Spir - it e'er be near me



to your ho - ly, pre - cious Word, that each day, my whole life
let your Word still be my choice! Man - y hard - ened sin - ners,
on your words my spir - it feeds. Lord, your words will be my
that I bear a - bun - dant fruit. May I dai - ly sing your



through, I may serve and fol - low you. Let your Word e'er
Lord, flee in ter - ror at your Word; but to all who
light thro' death's cold and drear - y night; yes, they are my
praise, from my heart glad an - thems raise, till my high - est



be my plea - sure and my heart's most pre - cious trea - sure.
feel sin's bur - den you give peace and words of par - don.
sword pre - vail - ing and my cup of joy un - fail - ing.
praise is giv - en in the end - less joy of heav - en.

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SERMON: John 6:60-69 "Go To Jesus For the Truth 1. His words are living 2. His words are life-giving"

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence. *Silent prayer*

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

OFFERING, CARE CARDS, FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS & ALTAR PRAYER

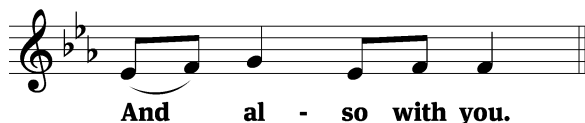
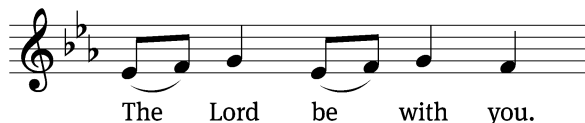
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THE SACRAMENT

Preface

CW 165





We lift them up 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 and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -



san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he,



bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you. As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

CW 169

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

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 573 "Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness"

1 Je - sus, your blood and right - eous - ness my beau - ty
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day; who can a
3 Lord, I be - lieve your pre - cious blood, which at the
4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more than sands up -
are, my glo - rious dress; mid flam - ing worlds, in
word a - gainst me say? Ful - ly ab - solved through
ver - y throne of God pleads for the cap - tives'
on the o - cean shore, you have for all a



these ar - rayed, with joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
lib - er - ty, was al - so shed in love for me.
ran - som paid, for all a full a - tone - ment made.

- 5 When from the dust of death I rise
to claim my mansion in the skies,
this then shall be my only plea:
Jesus has lived and died for me.
- 6 Jesus, be worshiped endlessly!
Your boundless mercy has for me,
for me and all your hands have made,
an everlasting ransom paid.

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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: 521 "Christ the Eternal Lord"



1 Christ the e - ter - nal Lord, whose prom - ise here we claim,
2 Christ the un - chang - ing Word to ev - 'ry pass - ing age,
3 Christ the re - deem - ing Son who shares our hu - man birth,
4 Christ the un - fad - ing Light of ev - er - last - ing day,
5 Christ the as - cend - ed King ex - alt - ed high a - bove,



whose gifts of grace are free - ly poured on all who name your name;
whose time - less teach - ings still are heard set forth on Scrip - ture's page;
and by his death sal - va - tion won for ev - 'ry child of earth;
our Morn - ing Star in splen - dor bright, the Life, the Truth, the Way;
whose praise un - end - ing a - ges sing, whom yet un - seen we love;



with thank - ful - ness and praise we stand be - fore your throne,
trans - form our thought and mind, en - light - en all who read,
in - spire our hearts, we pray, to tell your love a - broad,
that light of truth you give to ser - vants as to friends,
when mor - tal life is past your voice from heav - en's throne



in - tent to serve you all our days and make your glo - ry known.
with - in your Word by faith to find the bread of life in - deed.
that all may hon - or Christ to - day and fol - low him as Lord.
your way to walk, your life to live, till earth's brief jour - ney ends.
shall call your chil - dren home at last to know as we are known.

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Sunday at Emmanuel & St. John's: WELS Promo Video: "The Need for Followership"

THEME FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Labor for the Lord: A Labor Day Service

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INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- For the sick and others facing trials, including: Allie Andres (Bonnie Chapman's relative), Gale "Blackie" Boyd, Sandy Buchholz, Bob Buehrens, Agnes Dassow, Edith Duesterhoeft, Don Ebert, Kaye Edwards (Mark Emond's friend), Ken Elmer (Sally's husband), Earl Ewert, Judy Fandrey, John Gaedke (Dan Finger's uncle), Donna Gatzke, Dennis Gray (Mary Dahlke's brother), Kelleen Grucza, Kim Hanko (Judy Fandrey's daughter), Randy Hardell, Del & Jean Henke, LuAnn Hoffman-Reber (Barb Hoffman's step-daughter), Jerry & Darlene Hunter (Bonnie Chapman's parents), Xzander Jahr, Kris Kemp (Diane Hintz' daughter), Dale Kozlowski, Emily Krueger, Jeff Krueger (Diane Hintz's son), Jacob Kwit (Suzie Weber's son), Lucy Laun, Darren Marceau, Ken McKenzie (Mark Emond's friend), Julie Moran, Ken Pabelick, Debbie & Steve Parrish, Milo & Barbara Petrick, Sharon Priewe, Melissa Prater, Sharon Priewe, Karen Radke, Shelley Rene (Mary Isberner's niece), Marilyn Riemer, Roxanne Schmanke, Ashley Schroeder, Eloise Schultz, Lynn Sellnow, Bob Sluga (Sherry's husband), DuWayne Sommerfeld, Amanda Stalker, Tom Stempniak (Carol's husband), DuWayne Sommerfeld, Billy & Gloria Tucker, James & Suzanne Weber, Paul Weldon, Tama Zuehls (Zeb's mother) (added this week: __)
- For Earl "Pete" & Lucy Laun who celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on 8/23
- For Mark & Patty Emond who are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary on 8/25
- For Don & Mary Luck who will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on 8/29

COMMUNION PRACTICE: Today our congregation will be receiving the Lord's Supper. Those who are members of Emmanuel, St. John's, another WELS church, or a church in full doctrinal agreement with the WELS, are invited to attend. Others are politely asked to refrain until communion fellowship is established. There are two Scriptural reasons we distribute the Lord's Supper this way. 1.) Receiving the Lord's Supper improperly results in harm, not blessing, to the recipient. (1 Cor. 11:27) Like a prescription it must be administered with care. 2.) Recipients of the Supper publicly proclaim their unity in the faith. (1Cor. 10:17) Members of other denominations have, by joining those church bodies, publicly declared their allegiance to the teaching of those churches. By also communing here at this altar it would send a confusing message regarding not only what the believe, but also what the Bible teaches and what this church and its members believe and confess. We'd love to speak to you about this more fully so that all are prepared and speak with one voice as we proclaim Christ to the world. For more information, and especially if you are interested in becoming a communicant member of this congregation, please speak to Pastor Zietlow.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week: August 25-31, 2024

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| Friday | | NO SCHOOL |
| Saturday | 4:30 p.m. | SJ Worship |

Next Sunday: September 1, 2024

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| 8:00 a.m. | Emmanuel Worship |
| 10:00 a.m. | St. John's Worship |

| St. John's | Usher's Schedule |
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| Saturday, Aug. 24 Sunday, Aug. 25 | Saturday, Aug. 31 Sunday, Sept. 1 |
| Matthew Kath Glen Bubolz Martin Schmanke Mike Kempley | James Wachholz Zeb Zuehls Thomas Wojtalewicz Kenny Wojtalewicz Chuck Boetcher Jesse Schable |

| Attendance | | |
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| 8/18/24 | 55 | - |

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*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **2 Corinthians 9:7***

GriefShare will be starting up again soon. Green Lake: Sept. 9 at 6pm; Princeton: Sept. 10 at 6pm; Montello: Sept. 12 at 6pm. Please contact Mark Emond at 608-697-1600 for information and if you plan to attend. Thank you!

Dear Members of St. John's Montello and Emmanuel, Thank you so much for the thoughtful cards, generous monetary gifts, and your heartfelt prayers as I begin the new school year. I am truly grateful for the support from the members of St. John's Montello and Emmanuel Mecan. Your kindness means so much to me and will make this year even more special.

In Christ, Elizabeth Wolter

Haiden Van Treeck is in his junior year at Luther Preparatory School in Watertown. Our congregation has a scholarship program for students attending a Lutheran high school, MLC and the Seminary. Monetary gifts from St. John's members during the month of September will be used to supplement the Scholarship Fund amount. There will be a card basket for donations and encouragement.

We are updating our email list! Please email Matt Kath at scsecretary@stjohnsmontello.org to update or add your email to our list! It will help you stay up to date with important information, Church events and newsletters. Thank you so much for your help!



**Like to mow?
St. John's is looking for volunteers to
mow the Church and School grounds!**

**For information contact:
Jerre Duerr
Jerre.asc@gmail.com**

JOIN US... KICKOFF WEEKEND

Bring A Chair and Join Us For this
FREE Concert

On The Ball Diamond Located At
St. Johns Lutheran
313 E Montello Street, Montello

CONCERT ON
THE BALL DIAMOND

Saturday
September 7, 2024
6:00pm



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
JOIN US AS WE KICKOFF THE FALL SESSION

10:00 AM Worship @ City Park

11:00 AM Cookout lunch, bags tournament
& Fun

For more information
stjohnsmontello.org or 608-297-2866

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BAGS TOURNAMENT

SEPTEMBER 8
@ MONTELLO CITY PARK
FOLLOWING 10:00 OUTDOOR SERVICE

\$10/TEAM
(REGISTRATION GOES TOWARDS TUITION ASSISTANCE)

Calling all bags throwers! It's time to gear up and get ready for our 2nd annual bags tournament. Whether you're an experienced player or new to the game, this tournament is for you. Grab a partner and sign up today!

REGISTER NOW

Via Google Form or Call:
608.297.2866

 **St. John's
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**Sign up your bags tournament team today
at: <https://forms.gle/r2XYyfKwX5tvuQLS6>**



**It's a brand new St. John's
Sunday School year!**

Start Date:
Sunday, September 15
8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
We meet in a school
classroom. Please be
prompt.

Sunday School Theme
"Grace Upon Grace"
1 John 1:16

We will find many ways God showers His grace on us as we . . .

- ✓ follow our Christ Light curriculum learning from some well-known Bible patriarchs,
- ✓ study Jesus' early years and ministry.
- ✓ explore the simplified catechism with lots of special activities.
- ✓ enjoy lots of singing, crafts, painting, games, contests, movies and more.
- ✓ support a new mission project to help other kids.
- ✓ offer the Lord our time, talents, and treasures for service in our church, in our community, and beyond.

Open Enrollment! No registration necessary.

Members & non-members,

Public school & day school, all welcome!

Starting at Age 3 – Junior High

"Let the little children COME!"

Help us stay in touch!

Scan the code below using your smartphone camera and fill out the prompted information. Don't have a smartphone? That's ok! Fill out an attendance card located at the end of each pew and place it in the offering plate located at the entry of each church.



Welcome to our visitors!

Find & Like us on Facebook

Visit our website: www.stjohnsmontello.org

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