All Saint's LIVE LIKE YOU'LL LIVE FOREVER: LIVE KNOWING LIFE ONLY GETS BETTER



We Welcome our Guest Worship Leader
Pastor Bruce Hanneman (Part-Time St. John's Princeton)
Pastor Hanneman's Sermon: Isaiah 25:6-9
"Welcome To Our Sunday Morning Happy Hour"
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

November 3, 2024

Emmanuel: Sun. 8:00am

St. John's: Sun. 10:00am

LIVE LIKE YOU'LL LIVE FOREVER

"Live each day like it's your last." You have probably heard that advice. It sounds wise—an encouragement to take advantage of the time you have. However, that advice is completely backwards. Because the reality is, thanks to Jesus, we have an unending amount of time. Let that sink in. Really think about it. Jesus has given you the gift of eternal life. You are going to live forever. If you really thought it was your last day, that belief would shape how you lived that day. In this series, let us consider how the gift of eternal life shapes how we live each day. Live like you'll live forever!

LIVE KNOWING LIFE ONLY GETS BETTER

"It will get better." We say that to try to comfort someone who is having a bad day (or maybe a whole string of bad days). Perhaps tomorrow will be better. But perhaps it's worse. In this life, there really are no guarantees that things will get better. That isn't the case with the life that is to come. That life isn't just going to be better. It will be perfect. Since the seventh century, Christians have marked a day to celebrate those who have died in faith and now realize the perfect joys of heaven. It is called "All Saints' Day." We thank God for bringing our Christian loved ones out of the troubles and turmoil of this world and into eternal bliss and glory. And we ask God to preserve us in our faith so that we might one day join the saints in that place where life is far more than better.

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Setting One, without communion

HYMNS: 880 v. 1-3, 883, 784

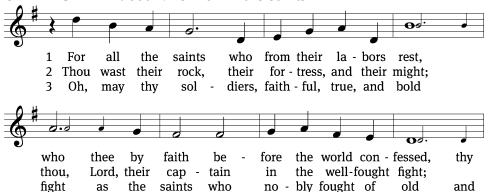
PSALM: 149 "Sing to the LORD, Sing a New Song"

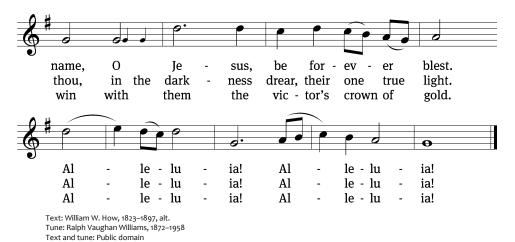
SERMON: Isaiah 25:6-9 "Welcome To Our Sunday Morning Happy Hour"

"LIVE LIKE YOU'LL LIVE FOREVER" End Times Season promo video after pastor's greeting before opening hymn

AT ST. JOHN'S LL-K-2 sing: "Seek Ye First" (before First Reading)

OPENING HYMN: 880 v.1-3 "For All the Saints"





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

Amen.

CONFESSION

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.



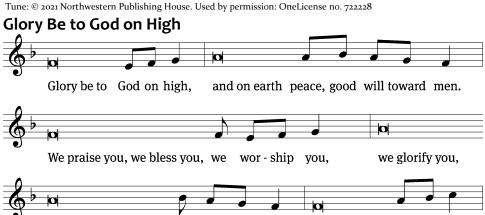
Lord, have mer - cy.

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



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





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



THE WORD

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your people together into one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow the example of your blessed saints in lives of faith and willing service and with them at last inherit the inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

AT ST. JOHN'S LL-K-2 sing: "Seek Ye First"

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

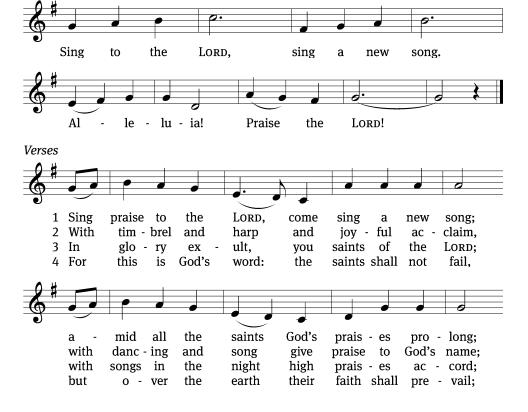
(The Lord Almighty promises his saints, all those who trust in him, that he will destroy the shroud of death.)

⁶On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine—the best of meats and the finest of wines. ⁷On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken. ⁹In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 149 "Sing to the LORD, Sing a New Song" (all sing) *Refrain*





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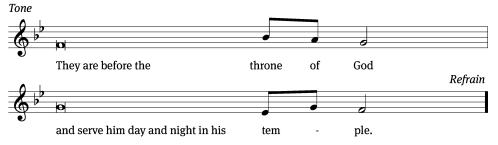
SECOND READING: Revelation 20:4-6

(St. John sees those who had been killed because of their faith in Christ now living and reigning with him in glory.)

⁴I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years. 5(The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection. ⁶Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years. The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.





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GOSPEL: John 11:32-44

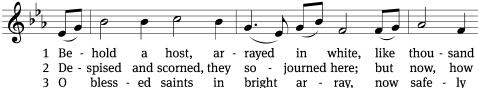
(Jesus demonstrates his power over death.)

³²When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. 34"Where have you laid him?" he asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. 35 Jesus wept. 36 Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" 37 But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" ³⁸Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. ³⁹"Take away the stone," he said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days." ⁴⁰Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" 41So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY: 883 "Behold a Host Arrayed in White"





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SERMON: Isaiah 25:6-9 "Welcome To Our Sunday Morning Happy Hour

1. It Is Truly A Feast To Behold 2. So, Rejoice And Be Bold"

APOSTLE'S CREED:

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.

OFFERING, FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS, ALTAR PRAYER ALL SAINTS' DAY PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

That great cloud of witnesses whose living trust in you, recorded in your Word, becomes an example for us to imitate and follow.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us your blessing.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

The reformers and confessors who faced the terror of church and empire but stood firm in your truth because they were moved by grace, empowered by faith, and guided by Scripture.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their courage.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Your faithful followers of every age—among them our parents and grandparents and our mentors and models—whom your Spirit called, gathered, enlightened, and sanctified to be your holy Church and by whose faithful words and deeds the gospel of your grace arrived also to us.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their resolve.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Those we have known who endured uncommon handicaps, chronic illnesses, and severe hardships yet followed you in simple faith and lived their lives with patience and persistence.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their joy.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Our own loved ones whose memories still burn within our hearts, whom you have called in your good time from their labors in life to that life which knows no end.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their reward.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Empower us, Lord, to carry on the work you gave to your people of the past, trusting your Son, holding to your Word, confessing your truth, loving the lost, reaching out with your love, until you call us, too, by your great grace in Jesus Christ, to join them where memories are swallowed up in everlasting joy.

Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS (bulletin p. 13)

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (Emmanuel 8:00a.m.)

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.

LORD'S PRAYER (St. John's 10:00a.m.)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us

from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

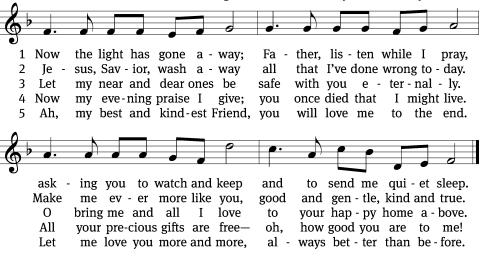
The Lord bless you and keep you.

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: 784 "Now the Light Has Gone Away" (school hymn of the month)



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WELS Connection video after announcements

THEME FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost LIVE LIKE YOU'LL LIVE FOREVER: LIVE A LIFE OF STARTLING GENEROSITY

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Emmanuel will hold a congregation meeting on today following the worship service. Christ Alone Lutheran Academy (CALA) financial support will be discussed at the meeting.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- For the sick and others facing trials, including Allie Andres (Bonnie Chapman's relative), Janice Arvidson, Gale "Blackie" Boyd, Sandy Buchholz, Bob Buehrens, Gene Crook, 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), 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), Mary Luck, Darren Marceau, Julie Moran, Debbie & Steve Parrish, Milo & Barbara Petrick, Sharon Priewe, Melissa Prater, Sharon Priewe, Karen Radke, Shelley Rene (Mary Isberner's niece), Roxanne Schmanke, Ashley Schroeder, Eloise Schultz, Lynn Sellnow, Bob Sluga (Sherry's husband), Heather Smith (Diane Hintz' step-daughter), DuWayne Sommerfeld, Amanda Stalker, Tom Stempniak (Carol's husband), Billy & Gloria Tucker, James & Suzanne Weber, Paul & LuAnn Weldon (added this week:
- For George & Jennifer Kellermann who were called by the Lord at our 10/15 Call meetings to serve as CALA principal and Little Lambs director/teacher next school year For Election Day (11/5)

St. John's	Usher's Schedule
Sunday, November 3	Sunday, November 10
Matthew Kath	James Wachholz
Glen Bubloz	Zeb Zuehls
Martin Schmanke	Chuck Boetcher
Mike Kempley	Jesse Schable

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week: November 3-9, 2024			
Today	9:00 a.m.	Emmanuel Congregational Meeting	
	11:15 a.m.	Evangelism Meeting SJ	
Monday	2:30 p.m.	Hands In Prayer Meeting SJ	
	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir SJ	
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study SJ	
Tuesday		Election Day	
	9:00 a.m.	Joint Elders' Meeting SJ	
Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study SJ	
	5:00 p.m.	Public School Catechism SJ	
Thursday	Noon	Ladies' Aid Dessert and Meeting SJ	
	4:00 p.m.	BoE Meeting SJ	
	6:00 p.m.	GriefShare SJ	

Next Sunday: November 10, 2024		
8:00 a.m.	Emmanuel Worship with Communion	
8:30 a.m.	Sunday School St. John's	
8:45 a.m.	Adult Bible Study St. John's	
9:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study Emmanuel	
10:00 a.m.	St. John's Worship with Communion	

	Budget	Offerings	All Income	Expenses
September	\$40,014.98	\$26,561.22	\$34,325.22	\$16,164.57
Year to Date	\$120,044.94	\$78,309.17	\$98,427.21	\$88,387.36

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**

Attendance		
Date	EM	SJ
10/27/24	57	78

LL, CALA and Sunday School Singing Schedule		
Date		
11/3/24	LL & CALA K-2 at MONTELLO	
11/10/24	Sunday School at MONTELLO	
11/17/24	LL & CALA K-8 & Chimes in PRINCETON	
12/1/24	Sunday School in MONTELLO	

Dear members of St. John's and Emmanuel,

As you are most likely aware, our principal at CALA Larry Sellnow and our preschool director/teacher Lynn Sellnow are retiring at the end of this school year after many years of faithful service.

The call window has opened for calling for the 2025/2026 school year. On October 15 there were two call meetings for extending calls to fill the upcoming vacancies.

The CALA board is responsible for calling a candidate for principal. St. John's deferred our meeting time until after the CALA board chose the best candidate to fill their needs. They met at 6 pm, we met after their meeting to best react to the possibility of a married team. They chose and have extended a Divine Call to a married candidate, whose wife was also on the St. John's call list for preschool director/teacher. We have extended a Divine Call to her.

Calls have been extended to:

George and Jennifer Kellermann.

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Jennifer phone: 989-488-0866

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They are in their late 40's and have 2 children ages 11,13.

Please pray for them and their family as they consider where they can best use their gifts in God's Kingdom and to His Glory. Please reach out to them in whatever way you can to encourage them as they deliberate the calls before them. Please pray for all of our called workers as they carry out their ministry work.

Consider how you can best serve and support the ministries of St. John's and the church at large.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matt 19:14

Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. Mal 3:10

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

St. John's is looking for a few good men to help as Ushers! If you'd like to join the usher crew, please talk to Jerre Duerr, James Wachholz, or Matthew Kath. Thanks!!

Remember the Stewardship Series Challenge Cards from a few weeks ago? How are you doing on your personal challenges? Remember that Stewardship is not merely about money, but rather living a God-Lived life, letting our whole life become a worship to God, and using our time, talent, and treasures to glorify God, and help His Church fulfill His Great Commission!

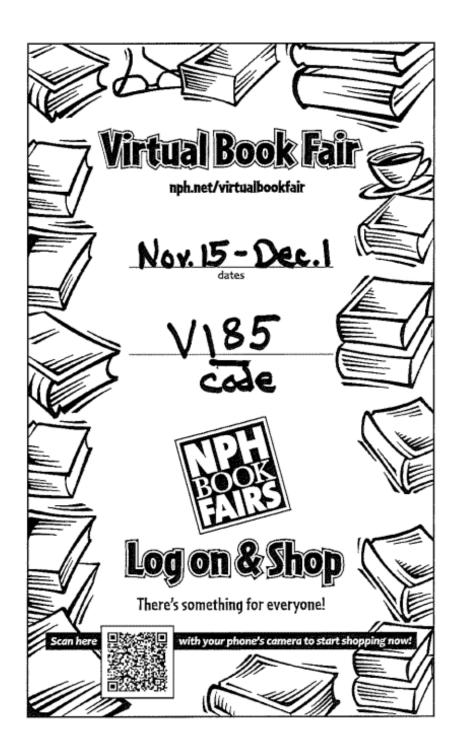
Men's Breakfast & Study Club Saturday, November 16, 8:00am in the St. John's Lower Level

We will be continuing our look at how God preserved His Word throughout the ages with a video series by Pastor Luke Thompson

Menu: something Veterans will remember, eggs, dunkers, OJ, milk, coffee

MEN OF ALL AGES WELCOME!!

DADS WELCOME TO BRING THEIR KIDS!!!







SPIRITUAL RETREATS

We provide an annual 4-day retreat for Warriors where they can find Christcentered support and encouragement.



CHRISTIAN HANDBOOKS

When service members are called to duty, this pocket-sized worship resource helps them take God's Word with them.



WORKSHOPS

LMSG hosts one-day, regional workshops for Veterans and First Responders who have been impacted by trauma.



ASSISTANCE GRANTS

Grants are provided to Christian Warriors who are in need of assistance due to an unexpected financial hardship.



EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

We provide financial support to Warriors, as well as military contact pastors, enrolled in certain colleges or courses.



APPRECIATION GRANTS

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