

***St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church***  
***The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod***  
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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Adult Bible Class: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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# To God Be the Glory!

## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 5, 2023

**HOLY COMMUNION** Our congregation believes and confesses that in Holy Communion not only does Jesus give us forgiveness; He also miraculously gives us His actual body and blood.

We seek to receive our Lord's Supper according to the guidelines God has established in His Word. God's Word states that the Sacrament is to be an expression of like-mindedness in faith (same in doctrine) and that only those should commune who are worthy to receive it (who have been properly instructed and are truly repentant).

In keeping with God's instruction, and out of deep love for the souls of His people, we invite visiting members of other Missouri Synod Lutheran congregations, who are members in good standing, to receive Holy Communion with us after announcing their intent to the pastor. Visitors who are not members of a Missouri Synod Lutheran congregation are asked to please refrain from the Sacrament at this time. Thank you.

### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Liturgy: Divine Service 3, pg. 184

Hymns: 648, 827, 618, 400, 718, 595

Organist: Ruth Fiscus

Acolyte: Addie Zoske, Brynn Neubauer

Ushers: Jon Petersen, Paul Zoske

### **THIS WEEK AS GOD LEADS US TOGETHER**

Wednesday: 6:00-7:30p.m. Midweek Classes

6:00-7:00p.m. Handbell Choir

7:00p.m. Senior Choir

**Next Sunday:** 9:00a.m. Christian Education Classes

10:00a.m. Worship w/Holy Communion

Acolyte: Jenni Platte

Ushers: Jon Petersen, Paul Zoske

**HUBBARD COMMUNITY CUPBOARD:** Today is the main collection date in February for non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry.

**CHOIR MEMBERS** meet in the balcony **today** following the service.

**BOARD OF DEACONS,** Marvin Morgart (515-291-2047) and Dr. Dennis Winter (515-689-3462) will be assuming the responsibility of seeing that the Gerzhyk family (from Ukraine) is well cared for. If you have any questions regarding their well-being, needs, donations, etc. please contact either of the Deacons rather than Pastor. Thank you.  
-Voter's Assembly

**FELLOWSHIP HALL** In an effort to cut down on the noise and congestion in the hallway after worship, the ushers will be renewing the pre-covid practice of opening the fellowship hall curtains prior to ushering out the congregation. If you plan on visiting after worship, please give some thought to moving into the fellowship hall rather than directly into the hallway. Thank you. -Voter's Assembly

**BIRTHDAYS** Today-Keith Frohwein, Rebecca Kielsmeier; Mon.-Ava Watson, Michael Hanson; Wed.-Benjamin Watson; Fri.-Brandon Frohwein, Aumiree Roberts; Sat.-Sheila Riese.

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:** Mon.-Larry & Lynn Doering (47).

# PSALM 95:1-9

antiphon vs. 6



<sup>6</sup>Oh come, let us worship and | bow down; \*  
let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!

<sup>1</sup>Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD; \*  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!

<sup>2</sup>**Let us come into his presence with thanks- | giving; \*  
let us make a joyful noise to him with | songs of  
praise!**

<sup>3</sup>For the LORD is a | great God, \*  
and a great King a- | bove all gods.

<sup>4</sup>**In his hand are the depths | of the earth; \*  
the heights of the mountains are his | also.**

<sup>5</sup>The sea is his, for he | made it, \*  
and his hands formed the | dry land.

<sup>6</sup>**Oh come, let us worship and | bow down; \*  
let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!**

<sup>7</sup>For he | is our God, \*  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep | of his hand.

<sup>8</sup>**Today, if you | hear his voice, \*  
do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,  
as on the day at Massah in the | wilderness,**

<sup>9</sup>when your fathers put me | to the test \*  
and put me to the proof, though they had | seen my  
work.

**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.**

<sup>6</sup>Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;\*  
let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!

### **EXODUS 17:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>Then all the congregation of the children of Israel set out on their journey from the Wilderness of Sin, according to the commandment of the Lord, and camped in Rephidim; but there was no water for the people to drink.

<sup>2</sup>Therefore the people contended with Moses, and said, "Give us water, that we may drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you contend with me? Why do you tempt the Lord?"

<sup>3</sup>And the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses, and said, "Why is it you have brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?"

<sup>4</sup>So Moses cried out to the Lord, saying, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me!"

<sup>5</sup>And the Lord said to Moses, "Go on before the people, and take with you some of the elders of Israel. Also take in your hand your rod with which you struck the river, and go.

<sup>6</sup>Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock in Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, that the people may drink." And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.

<sup>7</sup>So he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the contention of the children of Israel, and because they tempted the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

*A This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **1 CORINTHIANS 9:24-10:5**

<sup>24</sup>Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it.

<sup>25</sup>And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown.

<sup>26</sup>Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air.

<sup>27</sup>But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.

<sup>1</sup>Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea,

<sup>2</sup>all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,

<sup>3</sup>all ate the same spiritual food,

<sup>4</sup>and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ.

<sup>5</sup>But with most of them God was not well pleased, for their bodies were scattered in the wilderness.

*A This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **MATTHEW 20:1-16**

<sup>1</sup>"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard.

<sup>2</sup>Now when he had agreed with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard.

<sup>3</sup>And he went out about the third hour and saw others standing idle in the marketplace,

<sup>4</sup>and said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and whatever is right I will give you.' So they went.

<sup>5</sup>Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour, and did likewise.

<sup>6</sup>And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing idle, and said to them, 'Why have you been standing here idle all day?'

<sup>7</sup>They said to him, 'Because no one hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and whatever is right you will receive.'

<sup>8</sup>So when evening had come, the owner of the vineyard said to his steward, 'Call the laborers and give them their wages, beginning with the last to the first.'

<sup>9</sup>And when those came who were hired about the eleventh hour, they each received a denarius.

<sup>10</sup>But when the first came, they supposed that they would receive more; and they likewise received each a denarius.

<sup>11</sup>And when they had received it, they complained against the landowner,

<sup>12</sup>saying, 'These last men have worked only one hour, and you made them equal to us who have borne the burden and the heat of the day.'

<sup>13</sup>But he answered one of them and said, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?'

<sup>14</sup>Take what is yours and go your way. I wish to give to this last man the same as to you.

<sup>15</sup>Is it not lawful for me to do what I wish with my own things? Or is your eye evil because I am good?'

<sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few chosen."