

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
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Hubbard, IA

At every time and daily [believers] are to do what is right and not worry how things will turn out, nor let themselves be diverted for the sake of uncertain future good or evil. They are to commend the worry to God. Then they can take what happens to them as good and overcome it with patience and faith.

MARTIN LUTHER



Church Office: 641-864-2672
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Parsonage: 641-864-2766
Adult Bible Class: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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To God Be the Glory!

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

September 25, 2022

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 1, pg. 151

Hymns: 771, 736, 732, 750, 724, 725

Organist: Ruth Fiscus

Acolyte: Aleighia Roberts

Ushers: Wyatt Zoske, Stan Penning

THIS WEEK AS GOD LEADS US TOGETHER

Tuesday: 7:00p.m. Adult Instruction Class

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: Kentley Riese, Brynn Neubauer
Ushers: Wyatt Zoske, Stan Penning

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Barb Duncan.

HUBBARD COMMUNITY CUPBOARD: Next Sunday is the main collection date in October for non-perishable food items for the food pantry.

MIDWEEK CLASSES have started back up again. Catechism books can be purchased in the office for \$23.

LWML ELDORA ZONE FALL RALLY will be held on Saturday, October 8th at St. Paul's in Alden. Registration is at 8:30a.m. and Opening at 9:00a.m. October 2nd is LWML Sunday, an annual recognition of the work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML). Every woman in our synod is a member of LWML which is an official auxiliary of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. For 80 years, the organization's purpose has been to encourage and equip women to participate in mission ministries by supporting global missions. This is a unique opportunity to join other Lutheran women to honor God by serving others. Barb Winter represents our congregation as our LWML chairman and keeps our members informed of mission projects and goals which are chosen each year by members during the national conference. The LWML meets quarterly which is part of the Eldora LWML Zone. Please ask Barb for more information if you would like to become more actively involved or if you would like to make monthly or yearly MITES donations which funds these mission projects.

who keeps faith for- | ever;

⁷who executes justice for | the oppressed,*
who gives food to the | hungry.

**⁸The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes | of the blind.*
The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the | righteous.**

⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners;
he upholds the widow and the | fatherless,*
but the way of the wicked he brings to | ruin.

**¹⁰The LORD will reign for- | ever,*
your God, O Zion, to all generations. |
Praise the LORD!**

**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.**

⁵Blessèd is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,*
whose hope is in the | LORD his God,

1 KINGS 17:8-16

⁸Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying,

⁹"Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. See, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you."

¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, indeed a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Please bring me a little water in a cup, that I may drink."

¹¹And as she was going to get it, he called to her and said, "Please bring me a morsel of bread in your hand."

¹²So she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I do not have bread, only a handful of flour in a bin, and a little oil in a jar; and see, I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die."

¹³And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said, but make me a small cake from it first, and bring it to me; and afterward make some for yourself and your son.

¹⁴For thus says the Lord God of Israel: 'The bin of flour shall not be used up, nor shall the jar of oil run dry, until the day the Lord sends rain on the earth.' "

¹⁵So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and her household ate for many days.

¹⁶The bin of flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil run dry, according to the word of the Lord which He spoke by Elijah.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GALATIANS 5:25-6:10

²⁵If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

²⁶Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

¹Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted.

²Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

³For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.

⁴But let each one examine his own work, and then he will have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.

⁵For each one shall bear his own load.

⁶Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches.

⁷Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

⁸For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

⁹And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

¹⁰Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

MATTHEW 6:24-34

²⁴"No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

²⁵"Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?

²⁶Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

²⁷Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature?

²⁸So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin;

²⁹and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

³⁰Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'

³²For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.

³³But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

³⁴Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.