Welcome to St. Thomas Lutheran Church



Pentecost III 10:00 a.m. June 26, 2022

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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Thank you** everyone for joining us this morning for our worship service. Please join us inside or you can listen to the service on your car radio at 96.9. If you miss the service you can always watch it on our Facebook page. If any problems happen during the service please let Del or Rory know so they can fix the problem immediately. Thank you again!
- **The Vigil Candle** is given in celebration of Gilbert Ayers, Corey Hautmann and Diane Lee's birthday.
- Happy Anniversary to Steve and Palagia Hlava on the 29th.
- **Prayer book** is on the music stand by the door.
- The Lay Reader list is available for volunteers for the month of April. Please see the signup sheet in the Narthex. Our lay reader today is Robin Hoffman.
- Usher—Steve Manijak
- The July-September Portal of Prayers are available now.
- **We have** returned to the practice of gathering the offering during our worship service. The Peace will be shared after the Prayer for the Church, followed by the Offering, the Offertory, and the Offering Prayer.
- Church Council will be meeting today after the worship service.
- Service Projects...Lutheran Missions Ministry to help those in Haiti and Ukraine. Please make check donation made out to St. Thomas.
- Let's continue to remember the Community pantry. Bring food or monetary donations anytime.
- The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod celebrates its 175th Anniversary this year. We invite you to listen to the sermon by Synodical President Matthew C. Harrison on the theme, "Only Jesus." You can access the sermon by going to https://resources.lcms.org/175-years.
- The Church Council and Call Committee have been meeting with Christ Lutheran Church in Mantua to work on a plan to share a pastor. We are in the process of meeting with potential candidates. 1 is interested in filling out a questionnaire. If you would like to know more, please talk to Gilbert Ayers, Guy Jeanblanc, Diane Pencin or Robin Hoffman.
- Contact Person: Please call Pastor Just at 216-789-6688 or Council President Steve Hlava at 330 422-1959 for any emergencies or questions. Pastor Just is in the office on Thursdays.

Attendance last Sunday 11 Adults 0 Children **Bible Study Attendance** 4 Adults

Towards Budget:

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Current Expense	645.00	Building Fund	5.00
Benevolence	5.00	Mission	0.00
Hall usage-town square	75.00	Hall usage-TO	PS 50.00
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Total Offering	784.00	Weekly need	1,229.52

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

 (1 John 1:8,9)
- C: Seeing that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:14,16)
- P: Since we are assembled here to hear God's Word, to call upon Him in prayer, and to receive the Body and Blood of Christ, let us think on our unworthiness, confess before God that we have sinned in thought word, and deed, and realize also that by our own strength we cannot free ourselves from our sinful nature. There we take refuge in His infinite mercy, seeking and imploring His grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: God be merciful to me, a poor, sinful being. May almighty God have mercy on us all, forgive us our sins, and lead us to life everlasting. Amen.
- P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.
- C: Whoever believes and is baptized shall be saved (Mark 16:16). Grant this, Lord, to us all. Amen.

Entrance Hymn "In Thee is Gladness" No. 552

The Kyrie pg. 57

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.
- P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: 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.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C: Amen.

The Hymn of Praise

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Prayer of the Day

- P: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us Your gift of faith in Your Son.
- C: Teach us to forget what lies behind and reach out for what is ahead, and run to win the crown of eternal joy. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

All readings are from the New Revised Standard Version

The First Lesson 1 Kings 17:17-24

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. ¹⁸ She then said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!" ¹⁹ But he said to her, "Give me your son." He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰ He cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?" ²¹ Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." ²² The LORD listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. ²³ Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, "See, your son is alive." ²⁴ So the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Hymn "Oh, Sing, My Soul, Your Maker's Praise" (Psalm 16) No. 319

The Second Lesson Galatians 1:11-24

¹¹ For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin, ¹² for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

¹³ You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. ¹⁴ I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. ¹⁵ But when the one^[a] who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace was pleased ¹⁶ to reveal his Son to me,^[b] so that I might proclaim him among the gentiles, I did not confer with any human, ¹⁷ nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterward I returned to Damascus.

¹⁸ Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days, ¹⁹ but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother. ²⁰ In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie! ²¹ Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia, ²² and I was still unknown by sight to the churches of Judea that are in Christ; ²³ they only heard it said, "The one who formerly was persecuting us is now proclaiming the faith he once tried to destroy." ²⁴ And they glorified God because of me. This is the Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God!

The Verse

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*The Holy Gospel Luke 7:11-17

C: Glory to you, O Lord. Pg. 63

¹¹ Soon afterward Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. ¹² As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow, and with her was a large crowd from the town. ¹³ When the Lord saw her, he was moved with compassion for her and said to her, "Do not cry." ¹⁴ Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stopped. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" ¹⁵ The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶ Fear seized all of them, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has visited his people!" ¹⁷ This word about him spread throughout the whole of Judea and all the surrounding region.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ Pg. 63

The Prayer of the Day

P: You, O God, are the Lord of Life.

C: "O Lord, my God, let this child's life come into him again."

P: You are the protector of all who trust in You.

C: "Young man, I say to you, rise!"

P: As You showed Your power through Elijah in raising the widow's son,

C: "See, your son is alive!"

P: and as Your Son showed compassion for the widow of Nain,

C: "And Jesus gave him to his mother."

P: even so, raise up in us new hearts...

C: ...new spirits.

P: then, even as Saul the persecutor was transformed into Paul the apostle,

C: so shall we praise and bless You all our days.

P: Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now...

C: and forever. Amen.

The Sermon "A Well-earned Reputation"

Hymn of the Day "The Ranks of Death with Trophy Grim" Insert

Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles Creed pg. 65 I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the Church

P: Like the dead man who sat up, let us rise to speak our prayer from the heart, (after each petition)

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of kings, prophets, children, and widows, breathe Your spirit of life into the living and the dead. Make us one with You and one another, and let all creation praise Your name, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: and also with you.

All those present greet one another with a word or gesture of peace.

Offering and Offertory pg. 67

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all, unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

P: Ever-living God,

C: thank You for giving us eternal life. Lead us to bring Your love and Your new life to other people.
Use us and our possessions for Your service. Amen.

*The Great Thanksgiving

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
- C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

P: On the night when He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread into His hands, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples with the words,

"Take and eat; this is My Body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup, spoke a prayer of thanks over it and said,

"This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins."

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving Passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and his promise to come again, we give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, not as we ought, but as we are able; and we implore you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving, and, with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless us, your servants, with these your own gifts of bread and wine; that we and all who share in the body and blood of your Son ay be filled with heavenly peace and joy; and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be sanctified in soul and body, and have our portion with all your saints. All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Communion

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may honor His sacrifice by continuing His mission in the world.

Post-Communion Canticle

C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell everyone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, this meal offers more than bread and wine,

C: It gives life...new life.

P: Encourage us in our faith,

C: and give us the hope of everlasting life.

P: You are the Lord forevermore.

C: Amen.

Sending

P: Go now, and do not be afraid.

Put your hope in the Lord your God who called you before you were born that you might sing praises to God all your life long and proclaim the gospel of grace through faith.

God watch over you with favor;

Christ Jesus have compassion for you and give you life; the Holy Spirit put a song of praise in your heart

and sustain your faith + forever.

C: Amen.

The Closing Hymn "Jesus Lives! This Victory's Won!" No. 133

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Our Worship Is Ended—Now Our Service Begins!

Please remember these members in your prayers

The Ayers family—safe travel home from Florida

Aggie Blankenship—congestive heart and pneumonia

Bill & Sharon Crile—Bill recovering from surgery

Carol Earle—immediate family for peace and comfort

Cory Hautmann—Physiological strength

Linda Hautmann—Strength and healing for Lupus and from melanoma

Palagia Hlava—complications from MS and a fall, broke leg

Lorene Kozar

Becky Larkins—for successful adoption of Holly and her new foster child

The Nicely/Ayers/Torres families on the passing of Ken Nicely II

Stephen Nicely—safe travels while in Honduras

Carol & Heather Poston—strength and healing from MS

Rory Wolff—shoulder and back pain

Our College Students— Abigail Ayers, Corey Hautmann, Thomas Ayers, Grace Rohaley

Troy Roman—joined the Marines

Remember in prayer these friends of the congregation

For our Bishop, Jamison Hardy, and the congregations and pastors of the English District and the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

David Adkins—bells palsey—friend of Joyce

Alexa—swollen spleen—granddaughter of Joyce

Diane Altier & family—bone issues after surgery—cousin of Bob Earle

Chip Black—loss of her husband, Roger--sister of Deb

Peggy Bower—cancer—starting chemo—friend of Steve and Marla

Patty Bowman—covid—Bill & Sharon Crile's daughter

Carl—transition from Memory Care to move to Concord, OH—father of Carol Earle

Russ & Lana Carnes—need assisted living—the Wolff's

Bryan & Kathy Corban—returning home today from Alaska

Leona Corban—doing better—Marla's mom

Victoria Crawford—bypass surgery-friend of Robin

Chuck & Deb Defer—safe travels on vacation

Dan Erlandson—severe depression-hopelessness—friend of Robin

George Foerster—father of Dianne Reynolds

Christine Frank—cancer—friend of Jim

Ava Gillum—15 year old with soft tissue cancer—friend of Robin

Nancy Granville—pancreatic cancer surgery after chemo—Streetsboro friend of many

Mary Hardesty—metastatic colon cancer—co-worker of Deb

Charles Hovanvetz—triple bypass surgery—friend of Beuck's

Debbie Hovanvetz-internal problems-neighbor of Tom & Linda Beuck

Janice—heart problems

Lexi—Praise! No cancer but a bacterial infection—Trudy's niece

Steve Mamber—leukemia treatments—Amy's brother-in-law

Frank Manijak—failing health—Steve's Dad

Joe Manijak—back problems—brother of Steve

Amanda Nicely—strength and peace—Trudy's sister-in-law

Kathy Peters—breast cancer—friend of St. Thomas and Choir

Larry & Sally Powell—failing health—friends of the Wolffs

Peter Power—diabetes—friend of the Earle's

Leslie Slanina—healing—Gilbert's mom

Angela Smith—stage 4 cancer—friend of Robin

MaryLou Snider—upcoming surgery—friend of the Wolff's

John Szabo—multiple myeloma—family friend of Amy
Deacon Robert Szalai—born prematurely—home may have brain issues—grandnephew of Steve Hlava
Tim Tolodzieski—recovering—brother-in-law of Steve Crile
Linda Veletta—loss of husband Jay—neighbor of Robin
Bennie Wegener—pancreatic cancer—friend of the Wolff's

Darcy Wood—lymphoma diagnosis—cousin of Joyce
Donny Wood—healing from cancer—friend of Joyce
Carol Yurkschatt—hospitalized—Rocky and Kim Kinder

Ukraine refugees

All natural disasters victims COVID 19 virus patients