

# St. Johns Lutheran Church

In the World You Will Have  
Tribulation



But Take Heart; I Have  
Overcome the World

## AS WE GATHER

“In that day,” Jesus told the disciples in the Upper Room, “whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He will give it to you.” They could not understand, hearing Him before Easter and Pentecost. But we know now that the day has arrived, thanks to His death and resurrection, when our heavenly Father’s ears are open to our every prayer. In this our day, we can anticipate by faith seeing Him and Jesus, the Lamb, in the perfect Jerusalem, as John writes in the reading from Revelation. Hearing the good news, Lydia, in the Reading from Acts, asked if the disciples deemed her worthy for Baptism. Indeed, with the gift of faith by the Holy Spirit, Christ’s worthiness and her sins had been exchanged on the cross. She provided a home for Paul and Luke, and God had an eternal Jerusalem awaiting her entry. What Easter joy!

## RINGING OF THE BELLS/WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WELCOME GUESTS

We’re glad you are here! Make it a point to introduce yourself to the pastor. Please take time to fill out an attendance card and drop it in the basket during the offering. Our service today includes the celebration of God’s presence, as He comes in the true body and blood of Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. **Any who are not yet instructed or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain** from receiving the sacrament until they have spoken with the pastor. Please consider liking us on Facebook (St. Johns Lutheran Church – St. Louis City) and checking out our website (<https://stjohnslutheranstlouis.org/>).

### PREPARATION

#### HYMN

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen *LSB 474*

**Alleluia! Jesus is risen!**

**Trumpets resounding in glorious light!**

**Splendor, the Lamb, Heaven forever!**

**Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!**

*Refrain*

**Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

**Walking the way, Christ in the center**

**Telling the story to open our eyes:**

**Breaking our bread, Giving us glory:**

**Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. *Refrain***

**Jesus the vine, We are the branches;**

**Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;**

**Heaven to earth, Christ to the people,**

**Gift of the future now flowing to me. *Refrain***

**Weeping, be gone; Sorrow, be silent:**

**Death put asunder, and Easter is bright.**

**Cherubim sing: “O grave, be open!”**

**Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. *Refrain***

**City of God, Easter forever, Golden**

**Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,**

**River of life, Saints and archangels,**

**Sing with creation to God the I AM! *Refrain***

**INVOCATION**

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

**Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *Psalm 118:24; John 16:23, 33*

This is the day that the LORD has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

On another day, the one before He gave His life for us, our Lord said, “In that day you will ask nothing of Me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He will give it to you.”

Today, this side of Easter, we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. But we cannot free ourselves from our sinning and our sinful condition. Let us therefore ask our heavenly Father for forgiveness for Jesus’ sake.

*Silence for reflection on the Word of God and our sinful condition.*

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ is given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## **WORD**

**KYRIE**      *LSB 152*

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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 mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Amen.**

**THIS IS THE FEAST**

*LSB 155*

*Refrain*

**This is the feast of victory for our God**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain***

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor,  
blessing, and glory are His. *Refrain***

**Sing with all the people of God,  
and join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing, honor, glory, and might  
be to God and the Lamb forever. *Amen. Refrain***

**For the Lamb who was slain  
has begun His reign. Alleluia *Refrain***

### **SALUTATION**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, Your Holy Spirit has worked faith in our hearts.

**Grant that we may pray confidently, trusting that because of Your Son's sacrificial death and glorious resurrection, You graciously hear our every prayer;**

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **MEMORIZED WORD**

<sup>3</sup> Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. Romans 5:3-5

### **FIRST READING      *Acts 16:9–15***

<sup>9</sup>A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. <sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul.

<sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL**     *adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Christ has risen \* from the dead.

God the Father has crowned Him with glory and \* honor,

**He has given Him dominion over the works \* of His hands;**

**He has put all things un \* der His feet.**

**EPISTLE**     *Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27*

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” <sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup>having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— <sup>13</sup>on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup>And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . . <sup>21</sup>And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass. <sup>22</sup>And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup>and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## VERSE

*Romans 6:9; John 16:33b*

Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.

**In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world. Alleluia.**

## HOLY GOSPEL *John 16:23–33*

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>23</sup>[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. <sup>24</sup>Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full. <sup>25</sup>“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup>In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup>for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup>I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.” <sup>29</sup>His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup>Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” <sup>31</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup>Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup>I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

### HYMN OF THE DAY

“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” Sts. 1–6 *LSB* 556

Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice,  
With exultation springing,  
And with united heart and voice  
And holy rapture singing,  
Proclaim the wonders God has done,  
How His right arm the vict'ry won,  
What price our ransom cost Him!

Fast bound in Satan's chains I lay;  
Death brooded darkly o'er me.  
Sin was my torment night and day;  
In sin my mother bore me.  
But daily deeper still I fell;  
My life became a living hell,  
So firmly sin possessed me.

My own good works all came to naught,  
No grace or merit gaining;  
Free will against God's judgment fought,  
Dead to all good remaining.  
My fears increased till sheer despair  
Left only death to be my share;  
The pangs of hell I suffered.

But God had seen my wretched state  
Before the world's foundation,  
And mindful of His mercies great,  
He planned for my salvation.  
He turned to me a father's heart;  
He did not choose the easy part  
But gave His dearest treasure.

God said to His beloved Son:  
"It's time to have compassion.  
Then go, bright jewel of My crown,  
And bring to all salvation.  
From sin and sorrow set them free;  
Slay bitter death for them that they  
May live with You forever."



The Son obeyed His Father's will,  
Was born of virgin mother;  
And God's good pleasure to fulfill,  
He came to be my brother.  
His royal pow'r disguised He bore;  
A servant's form, like mine, He wore  
To lead the devil captive.

## **SERMON**

### **NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

**OFFERING** *Wide Open Stand the Gates LSB 639 sung by the Choir*

## OFFERTORY

LSB 159

**What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?**

**I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.**

**I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.**

**I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *Psalm 67:3*

"In that day," Jesus said, we would pray directly to our Father in heaven. This side of Easter and Pentecost, we know that all we ask is based on our Lord's death and resurrection. Let us therefore take our concerns to our heavenly Father.

We pray that the Spirit work faith in the hearts of many people who do not know about our Lord's overcoming the world through His death and resurrection. Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**let all the peoples praise You!**

We pray for people who call out to God for daily bread, everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body:

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**let all the peoples praise You!**

We pray for those who are sick; in need of adequate food, clothing, or shelter; in conflict with family or neighbors; oppressed unjustly; dealing with calamity by fire or water; going into harm's way for the good of others; and those near and dear to us, [*especially . . .*]. Grant that they place their hope in Jesus' overcoming the world, realize God's protection and care, and find peace in God's answers to their prayers.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**let all the peoples praise You!**

We pray for people who do not know the complete forgiveness for their trespasses that Christ has won for them and those who have strayed away from His protection into false belief and despair.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**let all the peoples praise You!**

We ask God to answer those prayers we have not put into words, but are still known to Him, our heavenly Father. Hear us, O Lord, for the sake of the death and resurrection of Your Son, in whose name we pray.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**let all the peoples praise You! Amen; yes, yes, it shall be so.**

## **SACRAMENT**

### **PREFACE**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them 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, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who has overcome the world and given us grace to approach Your throne, confident that You will hear us. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

### **SANCTUS      *LSB 161***

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

### **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## **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.**

## **PAX DOMINI**

**The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
Amen.**

## **AGNUS DEI *LSB 163***

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

**“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” Sts. 7–10 *LSB 556*  
The Day of Resurrection *LSB 478***

## **NUNC DIMITTIS...SONG OF SIMEON *LSB 165***

**Lord, now You let your servant go in peace;  
Your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation which  
You have prepared in the sight of ev’ry people:  
A light to reveal You to the nations and  
the glory of Your people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the  
Son and to the holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be forever. Amen**

## **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

**Let us pray.  
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the  
feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son’s body and blood.  
Give us confidence as we pray each day, knowing that You hear our  
every petition and that Your answers are better than our requests;**

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns  
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

### **BENEDICTION**

The Lord bless us and keep us.  
The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us.  
The Lord look upon us with favor and ☩ give us peace.  
**Amen.**

**HYMN**                      Jerusalem the Golden      *LSB 672*

**Jerusalem the golden,  
With milk and honey blest--  
The promise of salvation,  
The place of peace and rest--  
We know not, oh, we know not  
What joys await us there;  
The radiancy of glory,  
The bliss beyond compare!**

**Within those halls of Zion  
Sounds forth the joyful song,  
As saints join with the angels  
and all the martyr throng.  
The Prince is ever with them;  
The daylight is serene;  
The city of the blessed  
Shines bright with glorious sheen.**

**Around the throne of David,  
The saints, from care released,  
Raise loud their songs of triumph  
To celebrate the feast.  
They sing to Christ their leader,  
Who conquered in the fight,  
Who won for them forever  
Their gleaming robes of white.**

*Stand*

**O sweet and blessèd country,  
The home of God's elect!  
O sweet and blessed country  
That faithful hearts expect!  
In mercy, Jesus, bring us  
To that eternal rest  
With You and God the Father  
And Spirit, ever blest.**

Preacher	Pastor Michael Tanney
Liturgist	Allen Dass
Lector	Dan Reh
Elders	Al Bohannon & Earl Welch
Organist	Suzanne Manelli
Ushers	William Gebhart and Roger Schmidt
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Acolytes	Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy
Greeter	Roger Schmidt
Worship Screen	Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy
Bible Class	Sam Shick
Confirmation	Allen Dass

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# Announcements

## Saved to Share Called to Care

### Our Response to God's Love Last Week

Attendance Sunday: 40

Nepalese Attendance: 33

Offering: \$2,505.00

**WORD OF LIFE RESTAURANT NIGHT @** Raising Cane's (Hampton Ave) on Tuesday, May 24th. The flier is needed for WOL to get credit. 15% of event sales go to WOL.

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY** for young adults between the ages of 18-30. The Bible Study will run from 5:30pm-7:30pm, and will include a pizza dinner (provided by St. Johns). Our next date is May 28th. If interested, please send an email to [stjohnslcstl@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnslcstl@gmail.com) to be added to the GroupMe.

**OPEN TEACHER POSITIONS - WORD OF LIFE** Word of Life is seeking a middle school math teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. The position is full time and includes teaching 6th grade Religion, 5th-8th grade Math and a few enrichment courses. Interested candidates should have a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in education. For more information or to submit a resume, please contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at 314-832-1244 or [mbegholt@wordoflifeschool.net](mailto:mbegholt@wordoflifeschool.net).

**THE MISSOURI DISTRICT** is asking us to take up a free will offering for the upcoming Missouri District convention. This offering will be used to help defray some of the costs for "Concordia Center for the Family", who our District has partnered with, who will be training coaches who will work with Missouri congregations to equip parents for raising children with tools to teach the faith in the home.

This offering will also be used to help provide the attendees of the Youth Leadership Summit retreat at minimal cost. This retreat will take the next generation of church leaders in Missouri and encourage them in their faith while being exposed to leadership roles within the church.

We will collect the offerings on June 5<sup>th</sup>, will be given to the district on June 12<sup>th</sup>, at the opening worship service of the convention.

### **SALEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL (in Affton) IS HIRING CAMP**

**COUNSELORS** Enjoy a fun summer job working with Salem staff and children ages 2 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Camp SONshine.

Positions range 20-40 hours per week from June 6<sup>th</sup> through August 5<sup>th</sup>. Applicants must be 18 years old. Send your resume to Marie Wilson Fluegge

at [mariewilson@slcas.org](mailto:mariewilson@slcas.org). Call 314-353-9242 with any questions.

## Prayers

**Special Prayer Petitions** –For those who have not come back since the pandemic; **Maureen Rehmer** thanksgiving that she has been back in church; **Dennis Solomon** for back pain & difficulty breathing; **Debbie Frerichs** as she recovers from hip surgery; **Carmen Hobson** who needs shoulder surgery; **Dennis** as he recovers from congested heart failure; **Bobbie** for strength as she deals with Parkinson's; **Field-workers and Vicars** as they finish their classwork; **Nepali & African Congregation** blessings on their worship; **EAGLE** school looking for staff & **Compass** as they make preparations for next year.

**Shut Ins** – Bobbie Kepford, Dennis Solomon, Jerry Schmaltz, Steve Bain, Maureen Rehmer, Eileen Wehrheim, Don Osiek

### ***Opportunities to Love and Serve Christ this Week***

***May 22-May 29***

Sunday	<b>9:00am Worship w/ Communion</b> 10:30am Bible Study/Nepali Worship/Confirmation 12:30pm African Worship
Monday	8am-2pm Office Open 3pm-6pm Compass
Tuesday	8am-2pm Office Open 3pm-6pm Compass 7pm Seminary Students
Wednesday	8am-2pm Office Open 3pm-6pm Compass (3:45pm Compass Chapel) 6:30pm Citizenship
Thursday	8am-2pm Office Open 2pm Ridgewood Apartments Bible Study 3pm-6pm Compass <b>6:30pm Ascension Service @ Ascension</b>
Friday	8am-1pm Office Open 8am Bible Study 2pm-6pm Compass (Last day of school)
Saturday	8:30am Food Pantry 1pm Vicar Meeting 5:30pm-7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study
Next Sunday	<b>9:00am Joint Worship w/ Communion</b> 10:30am Bible Study/Nepali Worship/Confirmation 12:30pm African Worship