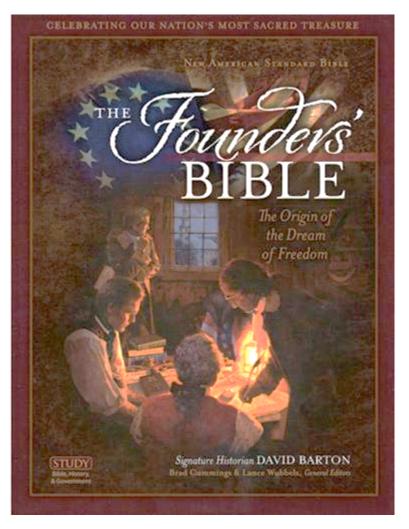
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Peace be to this house!

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LSB 167

AS WE GATHER

When Jesus sent out His followers to proclaim the Word of His kingdom to all who would listen, He assured them: "The one who hears you hears Me" (Luke 10:16). Those who responded in faith knew that the kingdom of God had come near to them and that they had been made members of the household of God. Although this sending of the seventy took place some two thousand years ago, the same reality is ours today! Jesus continues to send out His workers in order that they may preach His Word, and welcome into the household of God all who trust in Him. We are listening to Jesus Himself as His kingdom comes near to us. What peace and joy can be ours when we trust that heaven's grace is ours to receive!

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. Please consider liking us on Facebook (St. Johns Lutheran Church – St. Louis City) and checking out our website (https://stjohnslutheranstlouis.org/).

PREPARATION

HYMN Now Thank We All Our God *LSB* 895

Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices, Who wondrous things has done, In whom His world rejoices; Who from our mothers' arms Has blest us on our way With countless gifts of love And still is ours today.

Oh, may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace
And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next!

Stand

All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given, The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven, The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore; For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Psalm 124:8; 30:3–4
Our help is in the name of the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** Almighty God, heavenly Father, hear the prayers of confession we bring before You.

A moment of silence for personal prayers of confession. Gracious Lord,

we confess that we have not feared, loved, and trusted in You above all things. We have allowed other things to distract us from Your presence in our homes and Your mission in our lives. We have not extended Your saving love to others as we ought, choosing to keep Your good blessings to ourselves instead of sharing them with those around us. Have mercy upon us, O Lord. Grant us the Spirit of Jesus, who cleanses us from our sin that we may worship You with joyful hearts and proclaim Your kingdom all our days. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. His kingdom has come near to you in Christ, and you are blessed to be part of His mission and ministry. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, it is my joy to proclaim Jesus' words of peace to you and, by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the $\mbox{\em P}$ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

WORD

KYRIE LSB 168

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.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

LSB 170

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

SALUTATION

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; 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

¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. 2 Timothy 3:16-17

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 66:10–14

¹⁰ Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; ¹¹that you

may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance."

¹²For thus says the Lord: "Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees. ¹³As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. ¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the Lord shall be known to his servants, and he shall show his indignation against his enemies."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the * good news, who publish peace and bring good news of sal * vation.

Their voice has gone out to * all the earth, and their words to the ends * of the world.

EPISTLE *Galatians* 6:1–10, 14–18

¹Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵For each will have to bear his own load. ⁶One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. ¹Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹0So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the

household of faith. . . . ¹⁴But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. ¹⁶And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. ¹⁷From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. ¹⁸The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

VERSE *Luke 10:5b, 9b*

Alleluia. Peace be to this house!

The kingdom of God has come near to you. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 10:1–20 The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. ²And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. 5Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' ⁶And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. ⁷And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. 8Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, 11'Even the dust of your

town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹²I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town. ¹³"Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades. 16"The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me." ¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" ¹⁸And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. 19Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that vour names are written in heaven."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure *LSB* 533

Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End; God-head, humanity, union supernal, O great Redeemer, You come as our friend! Heaven and earth, now proclaim this great wonder: Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal!

Jesus has come! Now see bonds rent asunder! Fetters of death now dissolve, disappear. See Him burst through with a voice as of thunder! He sets us free from our guilt and our fear, Lifts us from shame to the place of His honor. Jesus has come! Hear the roll of God's thunder!

Jesus has come as the mighty Redeemer.
See now the threatening strong one disarmed!
Jesus breaks down all the walls of death's fortress,
Brings forth the prisn'rs triumphant, unharmed.
Satan, you wicked one, own now your master!
Jesus has come! He, the mighty Redeemer!

Jesus has come as the King of all glory!
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story;
Welcome Him now in this fast-fleeting hour!
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory!

SERMON

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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

OFFERTORY LSB 176

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray

Almighty Father, Your kingdom has come near to us through the preaching of the Word of Jesus. He alone gives us life and makes us Your household, Your family, where You dwell by Your Holy Spirit.

Enable us to receive Your Word with trusting hearts, knowing that the message we hear today is the living and active voice of Jesus.

When You sent out workers into Your harvest field, O Lord, You equipped them to proclaim the message of peace and salvation to all who would listen. Even when they faced rejection, You remained faithful to them and strengthened them through Your ongoing presence in their lives.

We praise You for doing the same in our lives today, gracious Lord! Even as Your Church goes through challenging times, remind us that Your mission continues and Your presence remains with us always.

Merciful King, equip all pastors, teachers, missionaries, and servants of Your Church to know Your love and declare it boldly to those You have called them to serve. Bless the partnership of the Gospel with Zach Barz in Costa Rica and Jerry Mays in Tanzania. May work together as brothers and sisters in Christ in the ventures You have prepared for us.

Bless our ministry and mission here that we may worship You in Spirit and in truth, doing all that we can to proclaim Your Word in our community.

Healing Lord, You bless and nourish the souls of those who trust in You. we remember also those who are sick, homebound, hospitalized, and, for other reasons, unable to join with us in person. Send Your Spirit to fill their hearts and homes with Your perfect peace. Be especially with [names], that they may be restored by Your mighty, healing hand and ever praise You for Your work in their lives.

We thank You, O Lord, that You hear and heal. Answer and bless all those who call out to You for mercy.

Sovereign God, You are exalted above all nations, rulers, and authorities on earth. Today we pray for our nation as we celebrate the anniversary of our independence. Continue to bless our country and keep us mindful of Your blessings. Raise up godly men and women who will serve among us and work for the common good. Place Your hand upon all public servants and members of the armed forces that they may know Your presence and provision in their lives.

Almighty God, bless our native land! Govern us by Your grace that we may experience Your lasting peace!

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all those for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

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.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ₱ give you peace.

Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE NATION followed by the pledge to the flag and Cross

HYMN God Bless Our Native Land LSB 965

God bless our native land; Firm may she ever stand Through storm and night. When the wild tempests rave, Ruler of wind and wave, Do Thou our country save By Thy great might.

So shall our prayers arise
To God above the skies;
On Him we wait.
Thou who art ever nigh,
Guarding with watchful eye,
To Thee aloud we cry:
God save the state!

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Liturgist Pastor Michael Tanney
Lector Pastor Michael Tanney
Elders Al Bohannon & Earl Welch

Organist Suzanne Manelli

Ushers William Gebhart and Roger Schmidt

Children's Message Pastor Michael Tanney Acolytes Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy

Greeter Roger Schmidt

Worship Screen Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy Bible Class Pastor Michael Tanney

Confirmation NO Confirmation for the summer

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Announcements

Saved to Share Called to Care

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 July 9th. If interested, please send an email to stjohnslcstl@gmail.com to be added to the GroupMe.

CFNA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Please join us in sharing Christ's love! Whether helping to sort or deliver donated items, taking someone to the grocery store or appointment, assisting International Institute with meeting families at the airport and helping take them to their hotel, etc., we have many opportunities for volunteers to serve the newly arriving Afghan families and other refugees. And we continue to welcome volunteers in our program ministries, including After School Tutoring, Adult ESL, Driving Lessons, Health and Wellness screenings, Sewing classes, and more. Interested? Questions? Please contact Gary Schaefer at gschaefer@cfna-stl.org complete/submit a Volunteer Recruitment Form online.

VOTER'S (BUDGET) MEETING will be next Sunday, July 10th, after Bible Study @ 11:30am.

OPEN TEACHER POSITIONS - WORD OF LIFE

Middle School Math Teacher

Word of Life is seeking a middle school math teacher for the 2022-2023 school year to join our amazing team of teachers. 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. If you would like more information or to submit a resume, please contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at 314-832-1244 or mbegholt@wordoflifeschool.net.

Preschool Aide

Word of Life is seeking a caring and compassionate aide to work specifically with a preschool student attending WOL at the Timothy campus. The student has special learning needs and the person in this position will be there to support the student in her learning and development. The position is 20 hours per week (full days Tuesday and Thursday, half days Wednesday and Friday). There is also the potential to combine this position with the Extended Care Director position to create a full-time position. For more information or to submit a resume, please contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at 314-832-1244 or mbergholt@wordoflifeschool.net.

Extended Care Director

Word of Life is seeking a qualified candidate to lead the extended care program on the main campus for Grades K-8. The position includes registering students, posting charges, purchasing snacks as well as supervising students in the after school part of the program from 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm Mondays - Fridays. There is potential for this position to be combined with the Preschool Aide position to make a full-time position. For more information or to submit a resume, please contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at 314-832-1244 or mbergholt@wordoflifeschool.net.

SALEM MEN'S CLUB BBQ The fine gentlemen of Salem Lutheran Men's Club will be cooking up some good BBQ on the second Saturday of each month beginning April 9th (and ending in September), from 10:00 a.m. until sold out. We are located on the parking lot off of Lakewood Ave. behind Salem Lutheran Church, 8343 Gravois Road in Affton, MO 63123. Choose from a selection of smoked ribs, pork steak, smoked chicken, hamburger, bratwurst or hot dog and make it a meal with your choice of two sides: cole slaw, fries, baked beans or potato salad. Learn more at https://slcas.org/church/mens-club-bbg/barbecue

ATTENTION LHSS CLASS OF 2002! We look forward to celebrating our 20th reunion this fall and we would love for you to attend! Please email your contact information to Chris Walleman at CW4369@yahoo.com or contact the Alumni Association. Visit our Facebook page at: LHSS Class of 2002 for more information."

Prayers

Special Prayer Petitions –For those who have not come back since the pandemic; Pastor Denke for recovery from stroke & cancer; Maureen Rehmer for healing from a lack of breath & strength; Dennis Solomon as he recovers from congested heart failure; Carmen Hobson that she would pass the tests needed for shoulder surgery; Bobbie for strength as she deals with Parkinson's; Field-workers and Vicars as they prepare to move; Nepali & African Congregation blessings on their worship Shut Ins – Bobbie Kepford, Dennis Solomon, Jerry Schmaltz, Steve Bain, Maureen Rehmer, Eileen Wehrheim, Don Osiek

Opportunities to Love and Serve Christ this Week July 3-July 10

Sunday 9:00am Worship

10:30am Bible Study 10:30am Nepali Worship

12:30pm African Worship

Monday Office Closed (Independence Day) Tuesday 8am-2pm Office Open

7pm Seminary Students

Wednesday 8am-2pm Office Open Thursday 8am-2pm Office Open

2pm Ridgewood Apartments Bible Study

Friday 8am-1pm Office Open

8am Bible Study

Saturday 8:30am Food Pantry

10:30am Social Ministry

1pm Vicar Meeting

5:30pm-7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study

Next Sunday 9:00am Worship w/ Communion

10:30am Bible Study 10:30am Nepali Worship

11:30am Voter's (Budget) Meeting

12:30pm African Worship