



**ST. JOHN'S**  
**LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL**  
MAY 6, 2018  
EASTER 6 - CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

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## Prelude

“Maestoso in G Major” by Francois Couperin

“Vater Unser” by Johann Ludwig Krebs

“Bachofen” by Jeffrey Blersch

**Opening Hymn:** “God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It” (LSB 594)

*Please stand for last verse*

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**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.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.*

## + Confession and Absolution +

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## + Service of the Word +

### Introit

**L** With a voice of singing, declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alle- | luia.\*

The Lord has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alle- | luia.

**C** Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;\*  
sing the glory | of his name.

**L** I cried to him | with my mouth,\*  
and high praise was | on my tongue.

**C** But truly God has | listened;\*  
he has attended to the voice | of my prayer.

**L** Blessèd | be God,\*  
because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast | love from  
me!

**C** 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.

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 170



**A** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we



praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You



take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on

us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa-ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the

Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-

lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** *And with thy Spirit.*

**P** Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** *Amen.*

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

<sup>4</sup> From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup> And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” <sup>6</sup> Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup> And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against

the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” <sup>9</sup> So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual** – See back of bulletin

## Epistle

James 1:22-27

<sup>22</sup> But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. <sup>23</sup> For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. <sup>24</sup> For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. <sup>25</sup> But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

<sup>26</sup> If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. <sup>27</sup> Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Choral Anthem** (10:30 am only) “Continue in the Things that You Have Learned” by Stephen Starke and Barry Bobb

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse



## Holy Gospel

John 16:23-33

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

**C** *Glory be to Thee, O Lord.*

<sup>23</sup> 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.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** *Praise be to Thee, O Christ.*

## Nicene Creed

**C** 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.

### Catechism. – *The Sacrament of the Altar*

**P** What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

**C** These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day** “Our Father, Who from Heaven Above” (LSB 766)

8:00 am: soloist sts. 2, 4, 6, 8      10:30 am: choir only st. 3 & 8

**Sermon**      *Identity*

*Stand*

**Offertory**

LSB 192

*Sit*

**Offering**

**Voluntary** “Vater Unser” by Michael Praetorius

*Stand*

**Doxology**

**Rite of Confirmation** - 10:30 am

LSB 272

## Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray...[...] Lord, in your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

## + Service of the Sacrament +

**Preface** *LSB*, p. 194

**Sanctus** *LSB*, p. 195

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** *LSB*, p. 161

## Lord's Prayer

**P** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**C** **Our Father who art in heaven...**

**The Words of Our Lord** *LSB*, p. 197

**Pax Domini** *LSB*, p. 197

**Agnus Dei** *LSB*, p. 198

*Sit*

## Distribution

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### Our Teaching on the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Attending communion at our altar indicates agreement with the doctrine and teachings of Scripture that our Lutheran Church Missouri Synod confesses. Therefore, only confirmed members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod should come forward without first speaking to the pastor and being instructed. Thank you.

After the welcome, you may kneel or remain standing for the reception of the Lord's Supper. If you partake of our Lord's blood by individual cup, please hold it in plain view as the common cup passes.

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### Distribution Hymns:

“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord” (*LSB* 637)

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee” (*LSB* 702)

“Christ Be My Leader” (*LSB* 861)

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis** *LSB*, p. 199

**Post-Communion Collect** *LSB*, p. 201

**Benediction** *LSB*, p. 202

**Closing Hymn** “Shepherd of Tender Youth” (*LSB* 864)

**Postlude** “Prelude and Fugue in F” – BWV 556 by J.S. Bach

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## **We Thank the Lord for Our 2018 Confirmands:**

### ***Mya Lynnae Cobb***

I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown. Revelation 3:11

### ***Miles Fredric Harlin***

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11

### ***Grace Anne Lange***

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

### ***Grace Ann Niemeyer***

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

### ***Broderick Dean Rankin***

The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever. Isaiah 40:8

### ***Zachary Cole Wetzel***

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13

### **Generosity Thoughts: Stewardship and Christian Vocation**

**1 Timothy 2:5-6** – *“For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all.”* To be ransomed is to be bought back, to be purchased. We belong to God fair and square, not only because He created us, but now doubly so in that we are ransomed. We belong to God: that’s the beginning of thankfulness and generosity.

**5/6****5/13**

<b>Preacher</b>	Rev. Adam Jacobsen	Rev. Adam Jacobsen
<b>Organist</b>	Miguel Ruiz	Miguel Ruiz
<b>Head Elder</b>	Troy Walker	Troy Walker
<b>Assisting Elder</b>	Tyler Lucier	Tyler Lucier
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00 am: Terry Reel, Steve & Barbara Degler 10:30 am: Bob Reid, Emily Stortzum	8:00 am: Terry Reel, Steve & Barbara Degler 10:30 am: Bob Reid, Emily Stortzum
<b>Acolytes</b>	8:00: Noah Walker 10:30 am: Joshua Sipes, Lexi Saunders, & Brooklynn Rankin	8:00: Kaylin Richey 10:30 am: Mya Cobb & Jada Cobb
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Georgia Burtard & Margaret Hagen	Georgia Burtard & Margaret Hagen
<b>Driver</b>	Karen Stoll 258-6377	Janice Mann 234-6084

**Altar Flowers** are given by Larry & Susie Miller in memory of Luke's birthday.

**Prayer Requests:**

**Those In Need of Comfort, Health, & Recovery (Recently Added)**

Corinne Thomley	Dorothy Roling	Carolyn Phillips	Bill Moran
Ruth Jubelt - Jane Roth's Mother		Vida Bruss – Sister of Mark Ewald	
Mac McFadden – Friend of the Welton's		Ken Maleske – Father of Kris Maleske	
Camden Hancock – Friend of the Welton's		Alydia Brylowski – Friend of the DuFrain's	
John Koester – Helen Smock's Brother			

**\*\*Numbers shown below are for Plate and Envelope offerings only\*\***

OFFERING	Previous Bal	Last Week	Current Bal
<b>Budgeted</b>	\$146,448	\$9,153	\$155,601
<b>Collected</b>	\$147,376	\$6,098	\$153,474

**Schedule for May 6 – May 13**

<b>Sun</b>	<b>Bessie Bingo Rain Date</b> <b>Confirmation Sunday</b> 8:00 & 10:30 am w/Holy Communion 9:25 am Education Hour 3:00 pm Farmer - Gym		6:30 pm Stortzum - Gym
		<b>Wed</b>	8:30 am School Chapel 7:00 pm Choir
		<b>Thu</b>	8:30 am Exercise Class 9:15 am Thursday Morning Bible Study
<b>Mon</b>	8:00 am LOL 9:30 am Lutherans for Life 6:30 pm Elder Meeting		6:00 pm Farmer – gym 6:30 pm Men's Club
<b>Tue</b>	6:30 am Men's Bible Study @ Pagliacci's 8:30 am Exercise Class 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study @ Pastor's House	<b>Sat</b>	2:00 pm Par-Tea
		<b>Sun</b>	8:00 & 10:30 am 9:25 am Education Hour

**GATHERED IN WORSHIP LAST WEEK: 8:00 am: 154**

**10:30 am: 151**

**Total: 305**

### Church News, Events, and Announcements:

**Splash Canyon VBS 2018: VBS will be June 4-8 from 8:30-11:45 each morning.**

- **Volunteers Needed:** We need volunteers just like you to make it another successful VBS! Adults and children 6th grade and older are welcome to volunteer. Please contact Kallie Harris at 246-6222 or kharris@stjls-mattoon.com or Meredith Danley at 254-5462 or mdanley@stjls-mattoon.com if you are interested in helping. Thank you!
- **Registration:** Registration forms are located on the ledge outside the church office. You can also go to our Facebook page and click on the link we shared to fill it out online.

**Let's PAR-TEA!** Attention all ladies! YOU are invited to attend our spring par-tea! Please join us for fun, fellowship, and of course tea! Prizes will be awarded to the best dressed! Tea time is at 2:00 pm on Saturday, May 12 in the fellowship hall. Childcare will be provided in the gym. For questions please contact Natasha 254-9235

**Pastor Paul Garchow will be celebrating his 40<sup>th</sup> year** in the Holy Ministry of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod on May 26, 2018 at Immanuel Lutheran in Belvidere, Illinois. There is a flyer with more information if you would like to attend.

**Thank You** to all for your thoughts, prayers and cards for Laurence Montgomery's passing. Thank you Pastor Jacobsen, Brenda Diepholz, Nancy Gass, and Janet Homann, and all the ladies of the Ladies aid for your contributions to a lovely service. Your thoughtfulness was much appreciated in this difficult time.

~Joy Adkins and Montgomery Family

### School News, Events, and Announcements:

**Thank you:**

- To everyone from set-up to tear-down and in between for all the help with the archery tournament. Whether you donated anything from baskets to monetary donations, volunteered during the tournament, or helped with setting up and tearing down, THANK YOU! You helped make our very first archery tournament a huge success!  
~Larry and Susie Miller
- To all who signed up for Max Dollars! We received a check for \$1,000.
- To Consolidated Communications. We received a \$1,000 grant from them.

**School Job Openings:** As our school continues to grow, we are in need of the following positions for the 2018-2019 school year.

*St. John's School is now taking applications for:*

- Part-time middle school English, Language Arts teacher
- Part-time Spanish teacher

### Community News, Events, and Announcements:

**Shred Day:** Saturday, May 19 is shred day over in the school parking lot. It will be held from 9 am to 12:00 pm.

# Gradual

Fifth Sunday of Easter

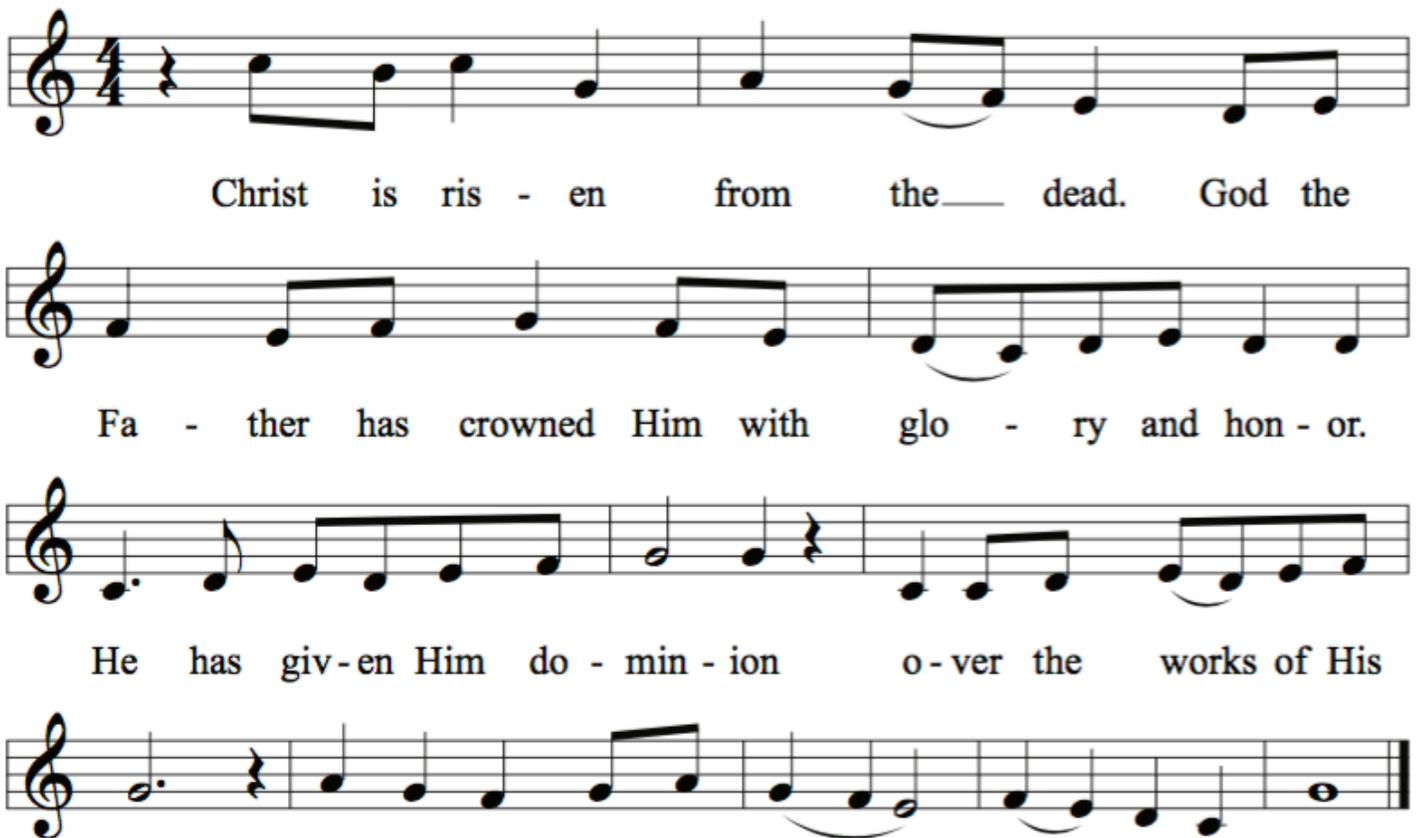
*Series B*

Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

Matthew Macheimer

Choir: Christ is 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 everything under His feet.

**Congregation:**



Christ is ris - en from the — dead. God the

Fa - ther has crowned Him with glo - ry and hon - or.

He has giv - en Him do - min - ion o - ver the works of His

hands; He has put ev - 'ry - thing — un - der His feet.

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