

TENTH

SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 2, 2026



Saint John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
48 Greene Avenue
Sayville, New York 11782
SUNDAY 9:30 AM

Welcome to Saint John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Rejoice in God's grace. Live as disciples. Love one another.

Our Purpose

The family of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, gathered around Word and Sacrament, enhanced by liturgy and music, exists to encourage its members in a life of discipleship in Christ Jesus and fellowship with one another.

Utilizing the gifts that God has entrusted to us, we engage in acts of mercy, attending to the spiritual and physical needs within our congregation and community.

We bear witness to the Grace of God through living in His Word thus demonstrating the love Christ has shown us.

To Those Visiting with Us Today

We welcome you among us as we gather in God's presence to receive his benefits towards us. If this is your first time visiting, please introduce yourself to the Pastor on the way out. We pray God's blessings upon you in this time, and invite you to continue to join us in the future. Please contact the Pastor if you have any needs or questions about St. John's and the work for which he has called us.

A Guide to the Symbols in the Service

P = Pastor; **L** = Lector; **C** = Congregation

Anywhere the symbol ✝ appears, the sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism. Please move in and out of the sanctuary at places marked with an asterisk (*).

As We Gather

The feeding of the 5,000 is one of the only miracles that is recorded for us in all four Gospel accounts, and so we know it must be significant. Not only does Jesus feed a crowd, but he teaches his disciples a lesson and equips them for lives of service and provision from the hand of God for their task. It is the latter that also applies to us, for it is a picture of the very thing for which we pray every day: give us our daily bread. Our Lord teaches us today that he not only give us bread for our journey through life, but also forgiveness, life, and salvation which brings us safely into the kingdom of heaven forever.

Today in the Church Year

The season of Pentecost is a time of growth. Just as the world around us is turning greener and greener as the warm days yield nature's bounty, so in the Church does the seed planted of God's Word yield its bounty in lives of faith. Throughout this season, we will hear of the teachings and miracles of Jesus. By the grace of God in His Spirit, we shall be encouraged by the work our Lord has done for us, and sent out to live lives of faith, mercy, and love. The green on the altar during this long season reminds us of the growth which the Lord provides through His Word and Sacraments. In our receiving of those gifts, we grow more and more into the likeness of Christ until that glorious day when we shall see him face to face!

✠ IN NOMINE JESU - IN THE NAME OF JESUS ✠

A Prayer upon Entering Church

Almighty God, your Holy Spirit equips the church with a rich variety of gifts. Grant that we may use them to bear witness to Christ in lives that are built on faith and love. Make us ready to live the gospel and eager to do your will, so that we may share with all your church in the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Opening Voluntary: Partita: In God, My Faithful God (for the text, please see LSB 745)

Dietrich Buxtehude

Announcements & Sharing of the Peace

✠ Service of Preparation ✠

Opening Hymn: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LSB 790

Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN

Invocation, Confession and Absolution (*Matt. 28:19b*)

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 Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.** (*Psalms 124:8*)

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** (*Psalms 130:3-4*)

P Since 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 in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner. (*Luke 18:13*)

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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. (*John 20:19-23*)

C Amen.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

*Kyrie (*Mark 10:47*)



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

*Gloria in Excelsis (*Luke 2:14; John 1:29*)



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day (2 Timothy 4:22)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray... Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; 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

Isaiah 55:1-5

L The Old Testament Reading for The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost is taken from Isaiah, the fifty-fifth chapter.

*¹“Come, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;*

*and he who has no money,
come, buy and eat!*

*Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.*

*²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?*

*Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.*

*³Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.*

*⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.*

*⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.*

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***Psalm 136:1-9** *(The Cantor introduces the antiphon, the Congregation repeats the antiphon and sings the bolded verses and antiphon as indicated; the hyphen indicates to use only 1 note of the mediation)*

Antiphon vs 26



Tone 2.1 tr



¹Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good,*
for his steadfast love en- | dures forever.

²**Give thanks to the | God of gods,***
for his steadfast love en- | dures forever.

³Give thanks to the | Lord of lords,*
for his steadfast love en- | dures forever.

Antiphon

⁴to him who alone does great | wonders,*
for his steadfast love en- | dures forever;

⁵**to him who by understanding made the | heavens,***
for his steadfast love en- | dures forever;

⁶to him who spread out the earth above the | waters,*
for his steadfast love en- | dures forever;

⁷**to him who made the great | lights, -***
for his steadfast love en- | dures forever;

⁸the sun to rule over the | day, -*
for his steadfast love en- | dures forever;

⁹**the moon and stars to rule over the | night, -***
for his steadfast love en- | dures forever;

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. | Ämen.

Antiphon

Epistle

Romans 9:1-5

L The Epistle is from Romans, the ninth chapter.

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—²that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

***Alleluia and Verse** (John 20:31)



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, 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 catholic 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.**

**The term “catholic” means the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine.*

Sit

***Hymn of the Day: Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

LSB 809

Tune: FAITHFULNESS

Sermon: It is enough

***Offering: Father of Mercies** tune: DETROIT, The Sacred harp, Philadelphia, 1844
text: Anne Steele, 1716-1778, alt., setting: Robert A. Hobby

Father of mercies, in your Word What endless glory shines!
Forever be your name adored For these celestial lines.
Here springs of consolation rise to cheer the fainting mind,
And thirsty souls receive supplies And sweet refreshment find.
Oh, may these heav’nly pages be My ever dear delight;
And still new beauties may I see And still increasing light.
Divine instructor, gracious Lord, May you be always near;
Teach me to love your sacred Word And find my Savior here.

(Please fill out the green attendance card in the pew, and then hand it to the usher on the way forward for communion.)

Stand

***Offertory: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful**

LSB 955



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

Prayer of the Church (*1 Timothy 2:1-4*)

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.
(*after each petition*)
- P** Lord, in Your mercy...
- C** **Hear our prayer.**
- P** ...one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

Preface *(2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136)*

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 truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)*



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho- san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:9-13)*

- 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.

The Words of Our Lord *(Matt.26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)*

- P** *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."*

Pax Domini *(John 20:19)*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei *(John 1:29)*

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

Please read what Saint John's believes concerning the Sacrament of the Altar:

As Lutherans, we believe, teach, and confess that in the Holy Supper all receive the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ with their mouth. Believers feed on Christ for the assurance of salvation and the strengthening of their faith.

To assure that our Lord's great gifts are received in a beneficial way, Holy Scripture says in 1 Corinthians 11:28-29 ***"A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself."*** Self examination includes:

- 1) The confession that we are sinful and in need of God's forgiveness. (Ps 51; Romans 3: 9-28)
- 2) The faith that Jesus Christ is truly and actually present in the Sacrament, offering His very Body and Blood for all to eat, so that our sins are forgiven. (Mt 26: 26-28; 1 Cor 10: 16-21)
- 3) The sincere resolve, with the Holy Spirit's help, to amend what is sinful in our life by actively belonging to a body of believers where these Scriptural truths are preached and taught. (Acts 2: 42; Ephesians 2: 8-10)

If this reflects your belief and you are a baptized member in good standing, not under discipline, at a congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod or a church body with which we are in fellowship, we welcome you to the Lord's Table and pray that His Body and Blood will be for your soul the highest good. If you are not sure, or do not understand, we ask that you speak with the Pastor, at your earliest convenience, prior to communing. If you would like to come to the altar and receive a personal blessing instead of the Eucharist, please cross your arms over your chest as a sign to the pastor.

Distribution will take place around the altar. Both sides of the church will be ushered forward up the center aisle at the same time with the first person in line starting at the center, and the rest fanning out along the sides. Once everyone has come forward, you will be invited to kneel, if able, to receive the Sacrament. Once all have received, and the pastor announces the dismissal, you may stand and the two people in the middle will turn and start back to their seats, with both sides following and returning via the side aisles.

A Prayer before Communing

Lord God, we worship you, a Trinity of persons, one eternal God. May our faith and the sacrament we receive bring us health of mind and body. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Distribution Hymn: Beautiful Savior

LSB 537

Tune: SCHONSTER HERR JESU

A Prayer after Receiving the Sacrament

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis (Luke 2:29-32)

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray... O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus (*Psalm 103:1*)

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction (*Numbers 6:24-26*)

P 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.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn: Onward, Christian Soldiers

LSB 662

Tune: ST. GERTRUDE

Closing Voluntary: Andante (Voluntary set 2 #6)

John Stanley, 171701786

A Prayer for Departure

Draw your church together, O God, into one great company of disciples, together following our teacher Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving in Christ's mission to the world, together witnessing to your love wherever you will send us; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ SOLI DEO GLORIA - TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY ✠

† Look Ahead for next week:

The 11th Sunday after Pentecost: Job 38:4-18; Romans 10:5-17; Matthew 14:22-33

Daily Devotions for Home and Family are available on the way out and online

SAINT JOHN'S IN ACTION

Sun 8/2	The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost <i>Coffee Hour sponsored by Noack Family</i> 7:45am Divine Service 9:30am Divine Service
Mon 8/3	5:00pm Basketball Playoffs
Tue 8/4	5:00pm Basketball Playoffs 7:00pm Judo/Women's 12 Step
Wed 8/5	1:30pm Mahjongg Social Club 5:00pm Basketball Playoffs
Thu 8/6	5:00pm Basketball Playoffs 7:00pm Judo 2:00pm Tag Sale Setup
Fri 8/7	9:00am Treasure & Tag Sale
Sat 8/8	The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost 7:45am Divine Service 9:30am Divine Service
Sun 8/9	



Want to give an offering but forgot cash or a checkbook? Now you can give securely online! Simply scan the QR Code on your mobile device and you will be directed to St. John's Donation page.

General Fund - In memory of Timothy Emmel from Lloyd & Pam Arrasate and Anne & Glenn Bammann.

Ferry Bake Sale - The Mary Martha Guild will be selling breakfast-type pastries at the ferry in Sayville on **Friday afternoon, August 14, 2026**. We would appreciate any of your homemade Banana Bread, Date Nut Bread, Muffins, Coffee Cake, or other breakfast-type pastries for our event, even cookies. If anything contains nuts, label accordingly. Please wrap the items with clear wrap and label them so we know what they are. *Your baked goods should be brought to the church no later than 11:00am on Friday, August 14th.* Donations from this sale will go to help support our missions here at St. John's. For more information, call Pam Kennard at 631-678-3246.

Mahjongg Social Club - Deanna Suckow has put together a social club here at St. John's playing the game of Mahjongg. This group meets every **Wednesday at 1:30pm** here at St. John's. Open to all ages! If interested, please reach out to Deanna Suckow at deannasuckow@yahoo.com or 631-316-0447 for more information.

Golf Outing - St. John's Golf Outing is around the corner, and sponsorship opportunities are still available! Brochures for registration and/or sponsorship information can be found in the Narthex. All materials are also available on our website. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Giacoia or Kristin Noack, Golf Committee Chairs.

Tag Sale: Item Collection Dates - We will be collecting items for the Treasure & Tag Sale beginning on Sunday, ***August 2nd***. Additional collection days and times are as follows: ***Wednesday, August 5th, Thursday, August 6th, and Friday, August 7th between the hours of 9:30am-2:30pm.*** Setup for the sale will take place on Friday, August 7 starting at 2pm and help is needed and appreciated. Help is also needed on the day of the sale, August 8. If you can give an hour or two during the day, or help with cleanup afterward, come on down and lend a hand. Please call Jan Panarese with any questions: 631-312-6778 or reach out via email: jan711@optonline.net .

Communion Stewards: Bill Audia (7:45); Leo Rigaud (9:30); **Ushers:** Charlie Erb & Jim Farrell (7:45); Kristin Noack & Jane Emmel (9:30am); **Readers:** Jim Farrell (7:45); Leo Rigaud (9:30); **Musicians:** Summer Choir (9:30); **Counters:** Steve & Janet Lindfors

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Saint John's Divine Service Schedule:

Sunday 7:45am & 9:30am

Church Summer Office Hours:

Wednesday - Friday: 9:30am-2:30pm

Bookkeeper Hours:

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 11am-3pm

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