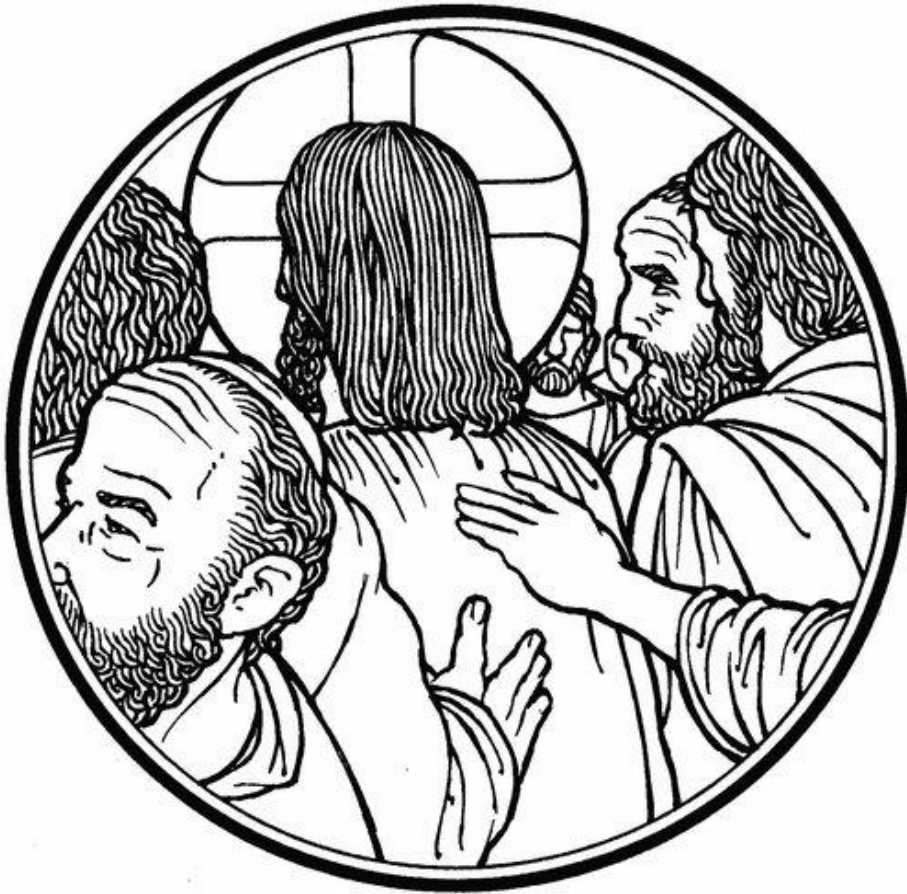


Seventh Sunday After Pentecost



July 7, 2024



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.

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.

As We Gather

In his epistle to the Romans, St. Paul famously asks the rhetorical question, "How will they hear unless someone is sent (Romans 10)?" We have people in our lives that we would love to share Jesus with, to have them know the comfort and peace we have in Christ. But how will they know him? They will see him in our words and actions. So what do our words and actions communicate to the world? How does the world receive us? If it is anything less than Christ crucified for us and his mercy for the broken and sinful, then we have fallen short of our testimony. Our Lord sends out his disciples today, and us, with the message of salvation that all may hear, and know, the grace of God in Christ.

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: Voluntary - Larghetto & Fugue

George Berg

Announcements & Sharing of the Peace

✠ Service of Preparation ✠

***Opening Hymn: O Christ, Who Called the Twelve**

LSB 856

Tune: TERRA BEATA

Baptism: Cruz Douglas Malangone

(Turn to p. 268 for the Rite of Holy Baptism. After the Baptism, the service continues with the readings. To our guests: please read our statement below regarding our confession and practice of the Lord's Supper.)

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-5

L The Old Testament Reading for The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost is taken from Ezekiel, the second chapter.

¹ *He said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you."*
² *And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me.* ³ *And he said to me, "Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day.* ⁴ *The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD.'* ⁵ *And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them."*

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

***Psalm 123** (*The Cantor introduces the antiphon, the Congregation repeats the antiphon and sings the bolded verses and antiphon as indicated*)

Antiphon



Cynthia Holden
©June 30, 2015

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are en - throned in the hea - vens! _____

Tone



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¹To you I | lift up my eyes,*
O you who are en- | throned in the heavens!

²**Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,...
as the eyes of a maidservant to the | hand of her mistress,*
so our eyes look to the LORD our God, till he has | mercy up-on us.**
Antiphon

³Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have | mercy up-on us,
for we have had more than e- | nough of contempt.

⁴**Our soul has had more than enough of the scorn of | those who are at ease,*
of the con- | tempt of the proud.**

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spīr-it;
as it was in the be- | gīnn-ing,*
is now, and will be forever. | Ä-men. **Antiphon**

Epistle

2 Corinthians 12:1–10

L The Epistle is from Second Corinthians, the twelfth chapter.

¹*I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord.* ²*I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows.* ³*And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—* ⁴*and*

he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

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

Mark 6:1–13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

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

¹[Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, “Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴And Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household.” ⁵And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶And he marveled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.

⁷And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— ⁹but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. ¹⁰And he said to them, “Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. ¹¹And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. ¹³And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

***Hymn of the Day: How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord**

LSB 853
Tune: REPTON

Sermon: The persistent Savior

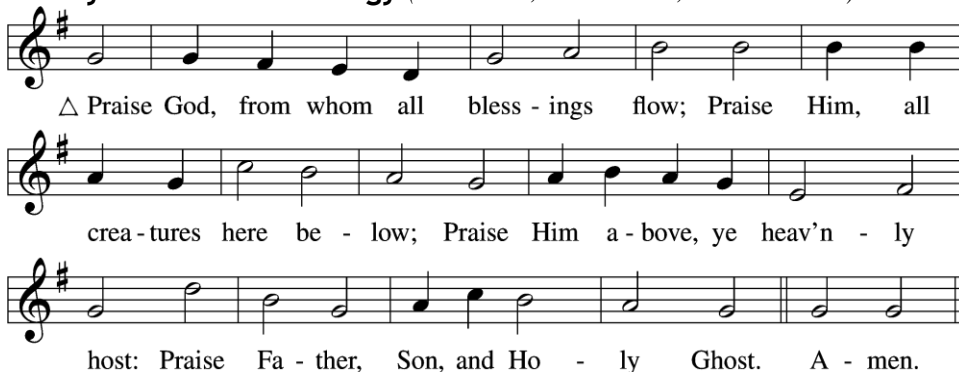
*Offering: Voluntary on TERRA BEATA

Dennis R. Johnson

(Please fill out the green Attendance Slip in the pew. Hand the completed slip to the usher on the way forward for communion.)

Stand

*Offertory: Common Doxology *(Psalm 150; Isaiah 6:1-4, Revelation 4:8)*



△ Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all
crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly
host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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; Luke 11:2-4)*

- 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 *(Mt 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)*



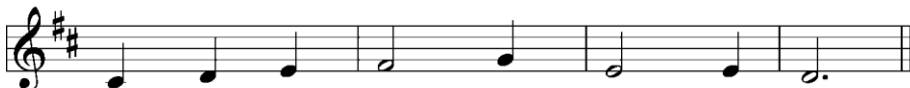
C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



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.

Sit

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: Lift High the Cross

LSB 837

Tune: CRUCIFER

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)

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 and Benediction (*Psalm 103:1; Numbers 6:24-26*)

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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: Sent Forth by God's Blessing**

LSB 643

Tune: THE ASH GROVE

Closing Voluntary: THE ASH GROVE

setting John A. Behnke

You are invited, and encouraged, to stay and listen to the voluntary as a way to continue to ponder God's love for you, and consider how today's message and music can influence your life over the coming week. This is also a nice way to calm yourself before heading out into the rest of the day's activities.)

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 8th Sunday After Pentecost: Amos 7:7-15; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29

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

SAINT JOHN'S IN ACTION

Sun 7/7	The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost	7:45am	Divine Service
		8:30am	Bible Study
		9:30am	Divine Service w/ Holy Baptism
Tue 7/9		7:00pm	Judo/Women's 12-Step
Wed 7/10		12:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Thu 7/11		7:00pm	Judo
Fri 7/12		12:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Sun 7/14	The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost	7:45am	Divine Service
		8:30am	Bible Study
		9:30am	Divine Service w/ Holy Baptism

Contributions Received 6/24-6/30/24	\$5,905	Sunday Attendance: 72
Weekly Forecasted Income	\$5,962	
Monthly Mortgage Payment	\$2,554	
F.O.R. Contributions - June	\$985	



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.

Treasure & Tag Sale - Save the date! Our Annual Treasure & Tag Sale will be held on Saturday, August 3rd from 9am to 1pm in the gym. Please come down and find a "treasure." If you have some treasures to donate, please bring them to the gym anytime from July 28th onward. Check with the office to make sure the building is open. Remember, nothing will be accepted before July 28th. We will not accept any furniture, clothing, books, cassettes, or VCR tapes. However, we would be willing to post a notice about anything you would like to sell. Just give us a card with the information along with your name and telephone number. If you have a picture of the item, you might want to include it. All proceeds will be going towards supporting the missions of the church and in the community. Hope you will help make this sale a success. See Honey Pabst for more information.

Fall Plant Sale - It's hard to think about plans down the road in September, but plan we must. Mary Martha will be selling Mums again in August for pick up in the church parking lot some time in September. Think about what you might want to have in your garden in a great selection of colors. Order forms are available in the narthex, in the newsletter, or in the church office.

Seed Crosses - For those of you who attended the anniversary celebration on June 9 and received one of the blue seed crosses, IF you are not planning to plant them and would like to donate them, our property beautification team would love to plant them around the church property. If you are willing to donate them, please bring them to church office ASAP. Thank you!

Golf Outing 2024 - Our annual golf outing is scheduled for **Monday, August 26** at the Wind Watch Golf & Country Club in Hauppauge. Registration forms are available, so the time to get your foursome together is NOW! Sponsorship opportunities are also available on the form, as well as the ability to attend the dinner only after the round of golf. The registration form may be accessed on our website under the “Events” tab, or you may pick one up in the narthex or the Church Office. Please join us for this great day of fun and fellowship to support various organizations in our community and within our congregation. See you on the course!

From Annunciation to Incarnation: A Journey with Jesus from the Womb to the Manger



Week 16 - By now, the sex of the child will be easily discernible in an ultrasound. Also, his eyes begin to move, and some babies have been seen to cognitively cover their eyes with their hand, shielding them from bright light. The baby’s urinary and circulatory systems are functioning well at this point, and he is also breathing on his own. Fat begins to form as insulation, and at any time between 16 and 20 weeks, the mother should be able to start feeling the baby’s movements and kicks as the child is now about 4½ inches long and weighs almost 4 ounces. Jesus begins to breathe on his own, that he may breathe on us the breath of life and of his Spirit!

Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life. ~ Genesis 2:7a

Communion Stewards: Bill Audia (7:45am), Leo Rigaud (9:30am); **Ushers:** Charlie Erb & Jim Farrell (7:45am), Kristin & Abby Noack (9:30am); **Reader:** Jim Farrell (7:45am), Dorothy Bauer (9:30am); **Counters:** Steve & Janet Lindfors

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Saint John's Divine Service Schedule:

Sunday 7:45am & 9:30am

Church Office Hours:

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

Bookkeeper Hours:

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 11am-3pm

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