#### **Upcoming Events & Announcements**

Sunday School – 9:30 am Adult Bible study – Isaiah Sundays 9:45 am

**Sunday, May 28 Spring Fling –** Elders cooking hamburgers, hotdogs. Potluck salads, desserts. Church directory photos taken this day. Sunday School windup with games and activities following the service. **No Sunday school before the service**. Silent Auction gift baskets – check Jason's April 23 email for a list of items for the gift baskets. Please place donated items in the meeting room before Tuesday, May 23.

**Youth Group –** Grades 6 and up join our youth group Facebook page at Friday night youth – Warman. Updates to come.

A reminder that we have an auto-debit option for giving offerings. Please speak to Pastor for

## **Opportunities to Serve**

The Outreach Committee is looking volunteers to help with **Vacation Bible School**. VBS would run July 9 to 13 from 6:00pm to 8:45pm. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board near the restrooms. Please sign up as soon as you can.

The **LAMP Team** from Outlook is planning to go to Southend to lead **VBS July 15 to 20.** Please speak to Pastor if you would be interested in going to Southend.

We are looking for someone more permanent to help with counting offering on a regular basis. Please speak to Meridee if you are interested. Training will be provided.

A signup sheet for church cleaning is posted on the bulletin board near the restrooms.

#### Prayer Thoughts for the Week

We remember those needing Your hand of healing, especially Edna Smith, Breanne, Dustin Gasmo, Pastor Ron Mohr, Pastor Rob Grout, Doreen Heide, Judy Haichert, Vicky Vardi, Regina Marcoux, Larry Neufeld, Adin Dereniwski, Joan Spaerman, Linda Peterson, Bill Hayes, Irene Besser, Linda Doell, Jim Patrick, Charmaine Peters, Olinda Fehr, John Hebert, Terry Tamke, Hailey Christensen, Mike Stringer, Alex Gudmundson, Ann Klassen, Dale Besser, Albert Kramer, Nora Spaerman, Michelle Wenc, Karen Decorby, and Ruby Dyck. Give them Your strength and hope for every tomorrow.



## **Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Worship Service 11:00 am

Sunday School 9:30 am

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#### Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome to St. John's Lutheran Church!

We believe that it is our mission to *bring the Word* of God to those who do not know Jesus as their Saviour, to *build the faith* of those who do, and to *share the love* of God with our community and the world. If you have any concerns or suggestions, please speak with the Pastor or Elder on duty. You are welcome to join us as often as you would like in lifting our hearts and voices to the Lord in praise, prayer, and song.

God's blessings to you in Christ!



#### Communion at St. John's

Everyone is invited to come forward for a blessing.
As a confirmed member in good standing of a Lutheran
Church -- Canada congregation you are welcome to
receive the Body and Blood of Christ from this altar.
If you are a visitor from another church body, we ask that
you meet with our Pastor or one of our Elders before
receiving the Sacrament here at St. John's.

Any special prayer requests can be directed to the Usher before service begins so Pastor can include them in the Prayer of the Church.

# Scripture for The Ascension of Our Lord

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Epistle Ephesians 1:15-23

For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Holy Gospel Luke 24:44-53

Then [Jesus] said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God.