### **Upcoming Events & Announcements**

#### Sunday School 9:30 am Adul

Adult Bible Study Sundays 9:45 am

**Sunday, May 26 – Spring Fling Event:** Sunday School windup after church with games. **No Sunday school before service**. BBQ hotdogs and hamburgers (Elders); potluck salads, desserts. Silent Auction (themed gift baskets: Children, Outdoor Living, Family Movie, Household Kitchen, Household Décor, Sports, Pamper Yourself, Pet Lovers, and a Surprise Basket). Please bring donated items to the church meeting room a week before.

Saturday, June 8 – Spaghetti Supper Fund Raiser for Youth.

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

## **Opportunities to Serve**

Please consider helping out with counting the Sunday morning offering. Talk to Meridee if you would like to help.

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

## **Prayer Thoughts for the Week**

We remember those needing Your hand of healing, especially Brian Wagner, George Doell, Don Klassen, Don Penner, Karen Dale, Emmett Regier, Evan Greenwood, Ed Peters, 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.



## Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 5, 2024

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 Lutheran

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.

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

### First Reading

### Acts 10:34-48

Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, "Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

### <u>Epistle</u>

#### 1 John 5:1-8

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whomever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world— our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

### <u>Holy Gospel</u>

#### John 15:9-17

[Jesus said] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another."