

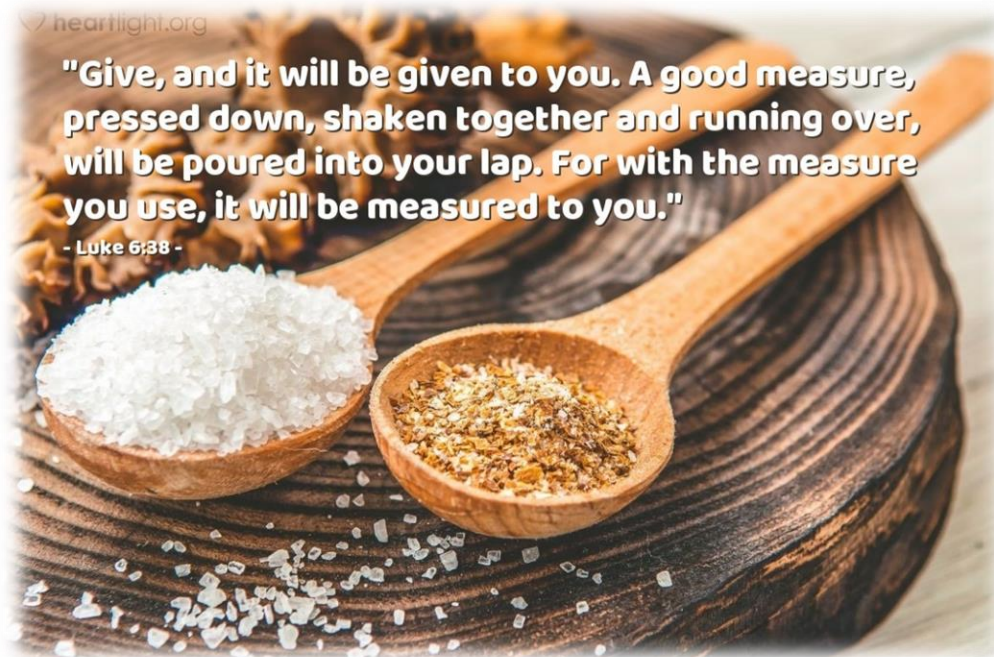


St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church & Christian Preschool
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Rev. Russ Leeper, Senior Pastor
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February 20, 2022; Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

*Special music by the Wartburg Brass Quintet:
Carter Johanningmeier, trumpet; Josie Hemesath, trumpet;
Spencer Dodgen, trombone; Ridley Mullenbach, French horn; Danielle Peterson, tuba*



Luke 6:27-38

Prelude:

“Allegro Vivace”

Handel/Smith

Welcome

The Altar flowers and the radio broadcast are sponsored by Craig & Julie Begemann in honor of their grandchildren.

Gathering Hymn:

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

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1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852-1922
Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827, adapt.

Apostolic Greeting:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Response: **And also with you.**

Wartburg Brass Quintet

“Die Bankelsanglider” & “Rondeau”

Prayer of the Day

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading:

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Read by Diane Sande

³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. ⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

"This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere, I go, I'm goin'a let it shine
Ev'rywhere, I go, I'm goin'a let it shine
Ev'rywhere, I go, I'm goin'a let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'a let it shine
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'a let it shine
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'a let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Children's Sermon

Gospel Acclamation:



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke 6:27-38



²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you. ³²“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. ³⁷“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord...



Sermon

Pastor Russ Leeper

Wartburg Brass Quintet

“Amazing Grace” & “Beautiful Savior”

The Creed

The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth,
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was
buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

The Prayers (P): Lord in your mercy,
Response: **hear our prayer.**

Please Keep the following in prayer:

Jeanette Anderson	Dale Lamprecht	Bill Wohlers, Jr.
James Grob	Sandra Link	Cal Wood
Cliff Kelly	Marilu Wohlers	

Please pray for all serving in the Armed Forces & their families: Mackenzy Bilharz, Alex Buenger, Kim Hall, Daniel Jacobs, Cameron Kakac, Robson Shankland

The Prayer List: Names will be kept on the list for 3 weeks. Family members can request a name be left on longer. The office number is 228-3397.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "We Are an Offering". It consists of six staves of music in a single system, all written in treble clef. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some triplets indicated by a '3' over a group of notes. The lyrics are: "We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing." The score ends with a double bar line.

*Response

“Feed Us Now”

Feed us now, Bread of life, In this holy meal;
Let us know your love a-new; We hunger for you.
Feed us now, Bread of life, Come and live with-in.
Let your peace be ours today, Lord Jesus, we pray.

The Communion


The Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer:

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.



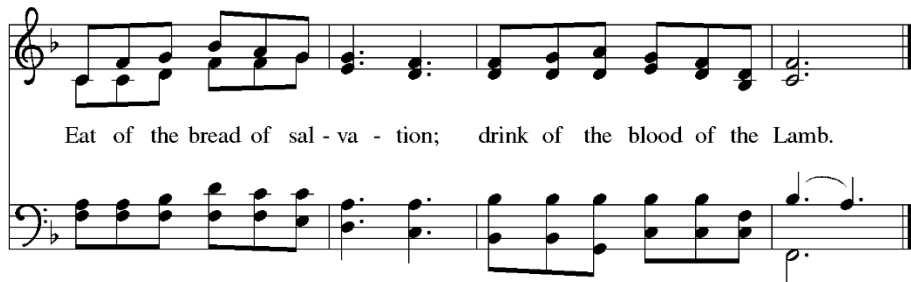
Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.




Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

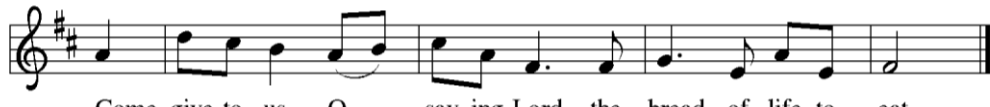
“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

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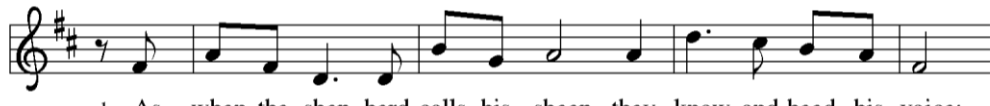
Refrain




You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



- 1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out - poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your - self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,



Refrain

so when you call your fam - ily, Lord, we fol - low and re - joice.
 that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav'n - ly food.
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?
 whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in - our hearts to dwell.
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

#759



- 1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
- 2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
- 4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
 my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my
 be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
 shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -



guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
 love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire!
 tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
 trust re - move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

Communion Blessing & Benediction

Sending Hymn:

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

#733

1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no
2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and
3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear

shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-
stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in
pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright

pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for-ev-er wilt be.
man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.
hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by

morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need-ed thy

hand hath pro-vid-ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me.

Postlude:

“Little Toccata”

Colin Curtis



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February 20 - February 27

Sunday **9:00 a.m. Worship/Comm**
10:05 a.m. Education Hour
10:15 a.m. 5th Grade
1st Communion Class

Wednesday **Newsletter Deadline**
3:30 p.m. After School
5:00 p.m. Supper
5:00 p.m. Family board
6:00 p.m. Confirmation
7:00 p.m. Trinity Choir

Sunday **Transfiguration Sunday**
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:05 a.m. Education Hour
10:00 a.m. 5th Grade
Bakes bread

Lent Event! Will be March 6th at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Everyone is invited to join and make a **Calvary Hill Grass Scene!**
Refreshments & goodies provided.



St. John Christian Preschool
2022/2023 Registration
New families - February 21 - 25

Ash Wednesday
March 2, 2022

5:30 p.m. Worship/Communion & 5th grade 1st Communion



At-Home Ash and Communion Kits
for Ash Wednesday, March 2

We will be live streaming our in-person Ash Wednesday Service on March 2 at 5:30 PM. If you will be worshipping with us on YouTube, we invite you to stop by the church ahead of time and pick up a small container of ashes and Holy Communion packets for you and/or your family. We will instruct you during the service when to use them. We'll also have these available at the in-person service for those who prefer to not come forward. The church office is open 8:30 AM - Noon & 1-4 PM, Monday - Friday.

Modern Parables: A Lenten Film Festival
Wednesday Lenten services at 5:30 p.m.
Begins March 9

Join us at 5:30 p.m. for in-person and livestream Wednesday Lenten services as we look at the parables of Jesus. At each week's service, we'll view a short film which places one of Jesus' parables in a modern-day context. The films are not loosely based on the parables, but accurately follow the original text. The goal of the films is to recreate the emotional, intellectual, and spiritual impact of Jesus' original parables. The schedule of films is as follows:

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| March 9: | "Hidden Treasure" | Matthew 13:44 |
| March 16: | "Samaritan" | Luke 15:11-32 |
| March 23: | "The Shrewd Manager" | Luke 16:1-9 |
| March 30: | "The Widow & the Judge" | Luke 18:1-8 |
| April 6: | "The Prodigal Son" | Luke 15:11-32 |

Our Lenten Film Festival services will be a mixture of singing, scriptures, cinema, reflection, and prayer. We hope you will join us in-person or online.

After Worship Social Time

Coffee & a treat are served in the Parish Hall each Sunday! If you would like to volunteer to bring the treats, **you can sign up on the chart next to the Altar flower/radio broadcast sheet just inside the door of the Narthex**, or call Kathy in the office. What you choose to bring for a treat is entirely up to you! Coffee & napkins are provided by St. John.

“ALL A BOARD”
Meeting night is Tuesday, March 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

All boards will gather to meet as individual boards and as a large group!



Wednesday Night Supper February 23:

Baked spaghetti, rolls, mixed vegetables,
cottage cheese, ice cream bars

(During Lent, supper will start at 4:45 p.m.)

Offering from the week of February 13, 2022

General Receipts	\$ 5,333.70
Designated offering	100.00
Attendance: 145	

Easter Lilies

If you would like to donate towards the Easter lilies for Easter Sunday let the office know at 641-228-3397.



Altar Flowers & Radio Broadcast

Sign up to sponsor Altar flowers/Radio Broadcast on the glass case in the Narthex!

REMINDER: Those students attending a Lutheran college who would like to receive an EPIC grant must notify the church by **May 1st**.

St. John scholarship applications for non-Lutheran colleges can be emailed to you and should be emailed to the office by **May 1st**.

The worship service at St. John has gone LIVE!!!

Our 9:00 a.m. worship service is now live! To watch the service go to www.stjohncharlescity.org. On the front page click on the Live Streaming Link post or go to the Worship & Sermon tab & click on YouTube. You can also go to YouTube and in the search box type St. John Charles City IA to find our channel. On our channel click videos, then the down arrow next to uploads, then upcoming live streams.

The service is recorded as it streams & will be available after 10:00 a.m. to watch at any time.

“We extend our gratitude and appreciation to Arlene Thomas, Leon & Jan Mulford, and Bill & Vicki Hitzhusen for the recent memorials they gave to St. John in memory of Marge Gardner. Thank you!”