



# Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

**August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Opening Hymn: I Know My Faith Is Founded**

LSB 587

**Divine Service Setting Five**

LSB 213

**Confession and Absolution**

**Introit**

Psalm 147:8–11; antiphon: v. 7



Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;\*  
make melody to our God | on the lyre!

**He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain | for the earth;\***  
**he makes grass grow | on the hills.**

He gives to the | beasts their food,\*  
and to the young ravens | that cry.

**His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,\***  
**nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man,**

but the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,\*  
in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

**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. | Amen.**

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**Kyrie**

LSB 944

**Hymn of Praise: Glory Be to God the Father**

LSB 506 sts. 1,4

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.


Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** **Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 15:1–6

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." <sup>4</sup>And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

 This is the Word of the Lord.  
 **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle ReadingHebrews 11:1–16

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>For by it the people of old received their commendation. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.



<sup>4</sup>By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. <sup>5</sup>By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. <sup>6</sup>And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. <sup>7</sup>By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

<sup>13</sup>These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. <sup>14</sup>For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.



 This is the Word of the Lord.  
 **Thanks be to God.**

Holy GospelLuke 12:22–34

 The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.  
 **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup>[Jesus] said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. <sup>23</sup>For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup>Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! <sup>25</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>26</sup>If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? <sup>27</sup>Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>28</sup>But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! <sup>29</sup>And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to

drink, nor be worried. <sup>30</sup>For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. <sup>31</sup>Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. <sup>32</sup>”Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

 This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
 **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon Hymn: **We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight**LSB 720

Sermon

Apostles’ CreedLSB 207

Prayer of the Church

Offering

OffertoryLSB 781 sts. 1-2

Service of the SacramentLSB 213

Preface

SanctusLSB 507 vs. 1

Lord’s PrayerLSB 217

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

Agnus DeiLSB 210

Distribution Hymn:

**Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared**LSB 622

Post Communion Hymn: **O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee**LSB 632

Post-Communion CollectLSB 218

Benedicamus and Benediction

Closing Hymn: **My Faith Looks Up to Thee**

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## *The Lord Is Surely Coming to Give You His Kingdom*

The Lord Himself was Abraham's shield and great reward. For *"the word of the LORD came to him"* and sustained the patriarch's faith in the face of death (Gen. 15:4). By divine grace, Abraham *"believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness"* (Gen. 15:6), on account of the holy Seed, Christ Jesus. To that one old man, the Lord granted *"descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore"* (Heb. 11:12). The Lord is likewise faithful to you. It is His glad desire *"to give you the kingdom"* (Luke 12:32). Therefore, *"do not be anxious about your life,"* but instead *"seek his kingdom"* (Luke 12:22, 31). Set your heart on that treasure. *"Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning ... for the Son of Man is coming"* (Luke 12:35, 40).



**WE WELCOME ALL** who worship today, especially guests and visitors, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Guests are invited to sign our guest register. Please include your phone number and address in the guest book located in the Narthex. Thank you for visiting.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Dan and Tricia Kletke and Rod and Sue Willard in celebration of their anniversaries.

### **IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:**

08/03/2025 Sunday Service

Attendance

86

Contributions

\$5368.00

**MISSIONARIES:** Please remember JP and Aimee Cima, the missionaries that our congregation have adopted, asking God to protect them and use them to spread His gospel.

**CONGREGATIONAL SHUT-INS:** Orgene Reimers.

**CONGREGATIONAL SERVICE MEMBERS:** Ryan Lehmpuhl and Jake Langley

**SITTING AND STANDING IN CHURCH:** It is customary to stand during the worship service when we address God directly (*Confession, Prayers, etc.*) or out of respect (*Gospel Reading, Creed, etc.*). These actions have purpose and meaning; but they are not meant to be painful or difficult. In contrast, Psalm 51:17 says, "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise." If at any time during the service, it is too difficult or painful to stand, please remain seated. Our Lord knows your heart.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** Please call Pastor prior to the Sunday service for special prayers.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR: Sick and/or Recovering:**

Ted Schmidt

Debbie Ledbetter

Gordon Holt (Kris' Brother)

Sharon Martinson

Janet (Lynn Wetters' sister)

Ron Smith

Lucy Brown

Zoey (Tangkawarow's Family Member)

Ken Davidson

Rod Willard

Linda Kirkegaard (Bob's Sister)

Deb Taft

Elaine Emery (Snyders' friend)

Jeff Snyder

Sharon Snyder

Grant Holdorf (Gail's Brother)

Jerrico Leason

**PRAYER CHAIN:** If you have a prayer concern and would like to send it through a prayer chain, we have 2 options.

- To send the prayer through a phone prayer chain, please contact Mary Richardson at 719-269-1426.
- To send the prayer via email, please contact Sue Poehlein at her email address: [cspoehein@gmail.com](mailto:cspoehein@gmail.com).

If you would like to join either prayer chain, please contact Mary or Sue respectively. If you would like a Christian greeting card from St. John sent to your loved one listed on the above prayer list, please contact Mary Richardson with the address where it should be sent.

**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN – AUGUST 10, 2025- AUGUST 17, 2025**

Office Hours: Monday through Friday — 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Sunday, August 10, 2025**

- 9:00 a.m. Divine Worship with Holy Communion
- Reader: Dave Lehmpuhl
- Communion Assistants: Dave Lehmpuhl & Allan Tormohlen
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class
- 11:30 a.m. Council Meeting

**Tuesday, August 12, 2025**

- Sarah Out of the Office
- 6:30 p.m. BOOKClub

*HAPPY ANNIVERSARY* Lynn Wetters & Angela Bellantoni

**Wednesday, August 13, 2025**

- Sarah Out of the Office

**Thursday, August 14, 2025**

- Sarah Out of the Office
- 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

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**Friday, August 15, 2025**

*HAPPY ANNIVERSARY* Justin & Brianna Jones

**Saturday, August 16, 2025**

- 9:00 a.m. LWML Meeting

**Sunday, August 17, 2025**

- 9:00 a.m. Divine Worship
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class

*HAPPY ANNIVERSARY* Bob & Sherie Huebner



**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please send all announcements for next week's bulletin to Lynn Dreger at **[dreger.lynn24@gmail.com](mailto:dreger.lynn24@gmail.com)**. Thank You.

**LWML MEETING:** The first LWML meeting for the 2025-2026 season will be August 16, 2025 at 9 am. We will meet at Angela Bellantoni's home at 448 Greenhorn Drive. This will be the planning meeting for our fall activities and missions. We will be discussing how LWML will assist with the car show, Veteran's Day Sunday, Thanksgiving baskets for shut-ins and brainstorming the mission focus for the Christmas Brunch. All ladies of St. John are welcome to attend.

**PARISH PAPER:** Articles for the September Parish Paper are due next Sunday. Please email any articles to [Office@StJohnCanonCity.org](mailto:Office@StJohnCanonCity.org). Thanks.

**LWML MITES:** The Mite Box is by the offering plate behind the last pew. A little pocket change can make a big difference.

**MEMBER NEWS:** Please notify newsletter editor Gail Kirkegaard of member activities and accomplishments so we can celebrate them in our monthly publication. E-mail [office@stjohnscanoncity.org](mailto:office@stjohnscanoncity.org), Attention Gail. You can also put information and photos in her church mailbox. Please add your name so she can return photos.

**CHURCH NURSERY:** Parents may use the nursery in back of the church. Our monitor with remote control has now been installed to watch the service. Changing tables are available in three of our restrooms.

**CHURCH PUBLICITY:** If you have a meeting or event for the St. John website and / or Facebook page please notify Gail at 720-201-8743 or [kirkegaard1998@charter.net](mailto:kirkegaard1998@charter.net). Also let her know if it is changed or canceled so our information is correct. Thank you.

**PARKING REQUEST:** with an aging congregation, our parking lot is short on handicapped parking spots. If you are able bodied, please park towards Greydene or in the gravel so those who struggle have a shorter distance to walk. Thank you.

## Sermon Notes

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