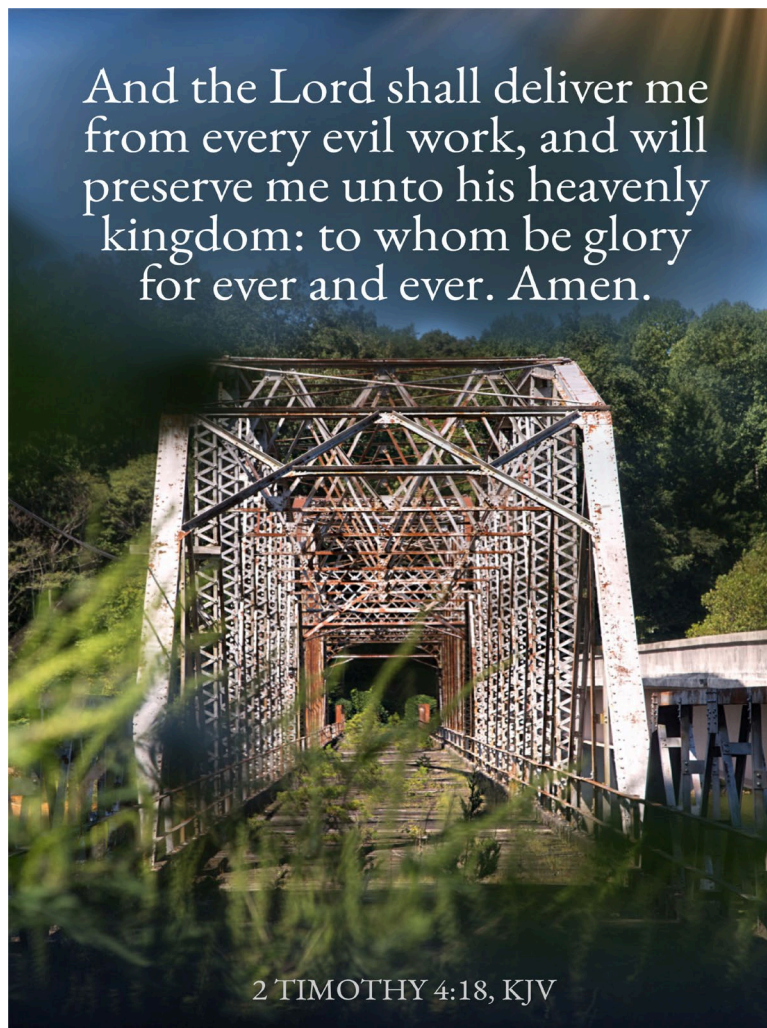


***St. John Lutheran Church & School  
Berlin, Wisconsin  
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod***



***Thursday and Sunday, June 25 and 28, 2026***

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***Large Print Bulletin***

**As We Gather...** Jesus has not come to calm the world but to lead us into battle. That battle is inside of us—the call to take up the cross, to deny self, and to follow Jesus. He has already won the victory over death and the devil, and now He works to sanctify us in this truth. While this might appear to be surrender, it is the only path to finding our lives and keeping them to everlasting life. We are bearers of this message to the world and accompanied with the promise that Christ is working in us and through us to make the Gospel known. Yet in the midst of this, we are encouraged that the smallest good work will not be overlooked by the Father, and those redeemed by Christ have a heavenly reward awaiting their faithful believing and living.

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP HELPS...** Please know we have two children's worship bulletins available for young non-readers and older children. Both bulletins have activities that go along with the weekly theme. We also have activity bags for children hanging on the rear wall of the church for use throughout the worship service. If needed we have a cry room/nursery (with changing table) behind the organ in the southwest corner of the narthex.

## **PREPARATION**

### **809 Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

**1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.  
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be. Refrain**

**Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!**  
**Morning by morning new mercies I see;**  
**All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;**  
**Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,**  
**Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above**  
**Join with all nature in manifold witness**  
**To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain**

**3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,**  
**Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;**  
**Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,**  
**Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Refrain**

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## **Invocation**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C Amen.**

## **Confession and Absolution**

*Psalm 38:3*

**P** Holy and gracious God,

**C I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver according to Your mercy**

**and grant peace to my heart so that I may serve You with all my mind, body, and soul.**

P By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## **WORD**

### **Introit**

*Psalm 89:15–18; antiphon: v. 1*

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

**Blessèd are the people who know the festal shout,  
who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,**

who exult in your name all the day  
and in your righteousness are exalted.

**For you are the glory of their strength;  
by your favor our horn is exalted.**

For our shield belongs to the LORD,  
our king to the Holy One of Israel.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

## **Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## **Old Testament Reading**

*Psalm 121*

<sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

<sup>2</sup>My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup>He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.

<sup>4</sup>Behold, he who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.

<sup>5</sup>The LORD is your keeper;  
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

<sup>6</sup>The sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD will keep

your going out and your coming in  
from this time forth and forevermore.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle**

*Ephesians 6:11–18*

<sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup>and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup>and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, <sup>18</sup>praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints,

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **Verse**

*Matthew 10:39*

P Alleluia. Whoever finds his life will lose it,

**C and whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. Alleluia.**

## **Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 6:9–13*

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

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

<sup>9</sup>Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

<sup>10</sup>Your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup>Give us this day our daily bread,

<sup>12</sup>and forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

<sup>13</sup>And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **Children’s Sermon**

### **656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

**1 A mighty fortress is our God,**

**A trusty shield and weapon;**

**He helps us free from ev’ry need**

**That hath us now o’ertaken.**

**The old evil foe**

**Now means deadly woe;**

**Deep guile and great might  
Are his dread arms in fight;  
On earth is not his equal.**

**2 With might of ours can naught be done,  
Soon were our loss effected;  
But for us fights the valiant One,  
Whom God Himself elected.  
Ask ye, Who is this?  
Jesus Christ it is,  
Of Sabaoth Lord,  
And there's none other God;  
He holds the field forever.**

**3 Though devils all the world should fill,  
All eager to devour us,  
We tremble not, we fear no ill;  
They shall not overpow'r us.  
This world's prince may still  
Scowl fierce as he will,  
He can harm us none.  
He's judged; the deed is done;  
One little word can fell him.**

**4 The Word they still shall let remain  
Nor any thanks have for it;  
He's by our side upon the plain  
With His good gifts and Spirit.  
And take they our life,**



**Goods, fame, child, and wife,  
Though these all be gone,  
Our vict'ry has been won;  
The Kingdom ours remaineth.**

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**Sermon                    “Deliverance from Evil”**

**Apostles' Creed**

*Nicene Creed*

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

## **Offering**

## **SACRAMENT**

### **Preface**

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.**

### **Proper Preface**

P "Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, let us now and evermore praise God's glorious name, singing:

### **Sanctus    *LSB 208***

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;**

**Heav'n and earth with full acclaim  
shout the glory of Your name.**

**Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;**

**Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## **The Words of Our Lord**

**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."

## **Proclamation of Christ**

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## **Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Pax Domini**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C Amen.**

**Agnus Dei    *LSB 210***

**C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## **Distribution Hymns**

### **Hymn 634    The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord**

**1 The death of Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
We celebrate with one accord;  
It is our comfort in distress,  
Our heart's sweet joy and happiness.**

**2 He blotted out with His own blood  
The judgment that against us stood;  
For us He full atonement made,  
And all our debt He fully paid.**

**3 That this forever true shall be  
He gives a solemn guarantee:  
In this His holy Supper here  
We taste His love so sweet, so near.**

**4 His Word proclaims and we believe  
That in this Supper we receive  
His very body, as He said,  
His very blood for sinners shed.**

**5 We dare not ask how this can be,  
But simply hold the mystery**

**And trust this word where life begins:  
“Given and shed for all your sins.”**

**6 They who this word do not believe  
This food unworthily receive,  
Salvation here will never find—  
May we this warning keep in mind!**

**7 But blest is each believing guest  
Who in these promises finds rest;  
For Jesus shall in love remain  
With all who here His grace obtain.**

**8 Help us sincerely to believe  
That we may worthily receive  
Your Supper and in You find rest.  
Amen! They who believe are blest.**

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## **702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee**

**1 My faith looks up to Thee,  
Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine.  
Now hear me while I pray;  
Take all my guilt away;**

**O let me from this day  
Be wholly Thine!**

**2 May Thy rich grace impart  
Strength to my fainting heart;  
My zeal inspire!  
As Thou hast died for me,  
Oh, may my love to Thee  
Pure, warm, and changeless be,  
A living fire!**

**3 While life's dark maze I tread  
And griefs around me spread,  
Be Thou my guide;  
Bid darkness turn to day,  
Wipe sorrow's tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray  
From Thee aside.**

**4 When ends life's transient dream,  
When death's cold, sullen stream  
Shall o'er me roll,  
Blest Savior, then, in love,  
Fear and distrust remove;  
O bear me safe above,  
A ransomed soul!**

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## **Nunc Dimittis**

*LSB 211*

**C** 1 O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory  
Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.

**2** All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.

## **Post-Communion Thanksgiving**

*Psalms 106:1*

**P** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,  
**C** for His steadfast love endures forever!

**P** O God, for our redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of the enemy. Grant that all our sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day we may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever;



through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

### **Benedicamus**

P Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **Benediction**

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.**

## **918 Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer**

**1 Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer,**

**Pilgrim through this barren land.**

**I am weak, but Thou art mighty;**

**Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.**

**Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,**

**Feed me till I want no more;**

**Feed me till I want no more.**

**2 Open now the crystal fountain**

**Whence the healing stream doth flow;**

**Let the fiery, cloudy pillar**

**Lead me all my journey through.**

**Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,**

**Be Thou still my strength and shield;  
Be Thou still my strength and shield.**

**3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death and hell's destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to Thee;  
I will ever give to Thee.**

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**Attendance Last Week: 213**

**General giving last week: \$11,922.00**

**Budget giving needed: \$ 7,500.00**

## Calendar of Activities this week at St. John

|            |                    |         |
|------------|--------------------|---------|
| 2 Thursday | Worship Service/HC | 6:30 pm |
| 5 Sunday   | Worship Service/HC | 9:00 am |

**UPDATING PERSONAL INFORMATION:** For many in our congregation, the information we have about you in our church software is out of date. So, in your mailbox you'll find an instruction sheet along with a printout of the current data we have. Please follow the instructions to help us get your correct information. Thank you in advance!

**HUMAN CARE** will take a door collection NEXT WEEK to help provide funds for the work they do for people in need.

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are celebrating the 41<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary of Gary and Jackie Eggert. Happy Anniversary!

**MONTHLY MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: LADIES' AID:** Since 1901, the Ladies' Aid has supported the ministry of the church through acts of service, care, and fellowship. From funeral luncheons and holiday meals to decorating the church and community events, the Ladies' Aid continues to be a blessing to our congregation and community. The group meets September through May on the first Thursday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the church basement. If you are interested in learning more or joining, please speak with Brenda Faucett or come to a meeting — all are welcome!

**MEN'S OPEN GYM:** Our Men's Open Gyms will move to every Wednesday at 5:30 PM (instead of every other week). We are currently playing basketball and will have other competitive activities like spikeball and dodgeball. If you'd like to join, please text 920-658-3029 to be added to the group chat for updates and reminders.

**CHURCH PICNIC - JULY 19!** Please join us for our church picnic! We'll have a 10:30 service at the north shelter house followed by a potluck lunch (please bring a dish to pass) and activities for all ages including giant blow-up activities for kids, a cornhole tournament, a washer toss tournament, and BINGO. We'll still have a 9:00 service at church that morning if you're unable to make the picnic. Please invite friends and relatives!

**ST JOHN LUTHERAN SUMMER VBS – JULY 25 | 9:00 AM–3:00 PM:** Join us for Magnified VBS on July 25 from 9:00 AM–3:00 PM! All children ages 3 years old through 5th grade are invited for a day packed with Bible adventures, games, crafts, music, snacks, and fun as we take a closer look at God's amazing love and care for us.

This year's theme, Magnified, encourages kids to discover the greatness of God in the smallest details of His creation and in our everyday lives. Through the story of Nicodemus, children will learn about being born again and the gift of salvation through Jesus. We'll also explore Matthew 6:25–34, where Jesus teaches that we do not need to worry because God lovingly cares for us and provides for our needs, just as He cares for the birds of the air and the flowers of the field.

Invite your friends and join us for an unforgettable day of faith, fun, and discovery! As we magnify the greatness of God together!

**RAFFLE FUNDRAISER:** St John Lutheran School is hosting a raffle for a brand-new speed queen washer and dryer to help fund the new school roof. The winner will be drawn on July 19th. Tickets are 1 for \$30.00; 2 for \$50.00; 3 for \$75.00; 4 for \$100.00. Tickets may be purchased at any of the following locations during their operational hours: St John Lutheran School; Berlin Thrivent Office; Country Inn; Misty's; Ron's Trail Inn, Waukau; Jeff's; Bucky's ; Kitz and Pfeil; Bosquez Chiropractic Office; and Matriculas' On Broadway



*Join us at the lake!*

**The Conference for Church Musicians  
invites you to join us for a week of concerts!**

Monday, July 20, 7:15 p.m.

**Organ & Piano Concert**

Joel Raney & Jane Holstein •  
Our Saviour's United Church of Christ, Ripon

Tuesday, July 21, 7:15 p.m.

**Evening Worship**

Jennifer Sanborn, pastor • Pillsbury Hall

Thurs, July 23, 7:15 p.m.

**Handbell Concert**

Bill Mathis, director • Bauer Lodge

Friday, July 24, 1:10 p.m.

**Children and Youth Choral Concert**

Devon Steve, director • Pillsbury Hall

Friday, July 24, 3:30 p.m.

**Orchestra Concert**

Zach Crowder, director • Pillsbury Hall

Friday, July 24, 7:15 p.m.

**Adult Choral Concert**

Joel Raney, director • Pillsbury Hall

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## Sermon Notes – 6-21-26 – Deliverance from Evil

-“Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.” (Matthew 6:14-15)

-Our world is on fire; our lives are coming to an end. But we tend to be consumed with so many \_\_\_\_\_ things.

-“We do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of \_\_\_\_\_ in the heavenly places.” (Ephesians 6:12)

-Do you think about and live your life this way?

-By teaching us to pray “Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil” he’s teaching us how to fight: with \_\_\_\_\_!

-We should be praying!

-Do you really pray this? Do you really mean it? Do you really consider it? Do you really care about it?

-Considering that this is the real \_\_\_\_\_ in our lives and that we need the help of God to fight it – we should REALLY pray it.

-When you pray, think about the specific ways the devil has been \_\_\_\_\_ you – what’s been getting between you and God? And then specifically pray for God’s help against those distractions.

-When you pray, confess those specific sins and ask God for help against those specific temptations.

-When you pray, open up about those specific \_\_\_\_\_ and ask God to specifically strengthen your faith against them.

-“Jesus Christ already won the battle decisively when He died on the cross and was \_\_\_\_\_ from the dead. His command to us is to hold the ground that He has already won.”

-We do need to fight this battle, but we don’t need to fear it.

-Remember the real conflict that we’re fighting – don’t get distracted. And then remember to really pray this prayer. And when you do, be comforted knowing that you’re on the winning side because \_\_\_\_\_ has won the battle for you.