

# WELCOME TO:

St. James' Outdoor Service "On the Lutheran Lawn" - 9:30am  
Clap Your Hands as We Sing to the Lord!

Bring a Lawn Chair & Umbrella

We will be honoring the 3 W's.....

"WATCH" our physical distancing

"WEAR" masks for the "Love of One Another" during entire service....  
per Governor's mandate

"WASH" and/or sanitize our hands

We ask you to, if you wish.....



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Worship Service - Streaming live or watch later!**

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## St. James Lutheran Church

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July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*Our Mission: "We worship together, grow in faith, share our faith and serve with the love of God"*

Welcome to Worship! We are glad you have joined us here at St. James Lutheran Church.

### **Prelude**

*I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."*

*Ps 122:1*

### **Welcome**

### **Announcements & Opportunities for Serving**

THE RINGING OF THE BELL summons an awareness of God's presence  
Let us stand, as you are able, and prepare our hearts for worship

## GATHERING

### **Confession & Forgiveness**

*Reconciling God*, we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe you provide enough for all. We fail to steward Your creation. We fail to love others. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so, we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

### **Assurance of God's Love**

#### **Gathering Hymn: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"**

- Vs 1** Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood, From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure, Save me from its guilt and pow'r.
- Vs 2** Not the labor of my hands Can fulfil Thy law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.
- Vs 3** Nothing in my hands I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling;  
Naked, come to Thee for dress, Helpless look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly, wash me, Savior, or I die.
- Vs 4** While I draw this fleeting breath, When my eyes shall close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

#### **Prayer of the Day:**

*Faithful God*, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## WORD

### **Hear the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8**

<sup>6</sup>Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god <sup>7</sup>Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. <sup>8</sup>Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

*Word of Wisdom, Word of God* **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

### **Hear the Reading of Psalm 86:11-17**

<sup>11</sup>Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name. <sup>12</sup>I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and glorify your name forevermore. <sup>13</sup>For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the pit of death. <sup>14</sup>The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent people seeks my life; they have not set you before their eyes. <sup>15</sup>But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth. <sup>16</sup>Turn to me and have mercy on me; give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your handmaid. <sup>17</sup>Show me a sign of your favor, so those who hate me may see it and be put to shame; because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

## **Hear the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 8:12-25**

<sup>12</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so we may also be glorified with him. <sup>18</sup>I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>20</sup>for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>We know the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

*Word of Wisdom, Word of God*    **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

*Please stand, as you are able, for the Gospel.*

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew:    **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **Hear the reading of the Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30,36-43**

<sup>24</sup>Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; <sup>25</sup>but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. <sup>27</sup>And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ <sup>28</sup>He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ <sup>29</sup>But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds, you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” <sup>36</sup>Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” <sup>37</sup>He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup>the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, <sup>42</sup>and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

The Gospel of the Lord:    **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon: “There Is No Other”**

### **Hymn for Reflection: “His Name is Wonderful”**

*His name is wonderful, His name is wonderful, His name is wonderful, Jesus my Lord.*

*He is the mighty King; Master of ev’rything; His name is wonderful, Jesus my Lord.*

*He’s the great shepherd, the rock of all ages. Almighty God is He \_\_\_\_\_*

*Bow down before Him, love and adore Him, His name is wonderful, Jesus my Lord.*

**Repeat:**

### **Prayers of the People:**

Lord in your mercy.    **Hear our prayer.**

## **Passing of the Peace**

### **MEAL**

#### **Offering Prayer**

*God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, so we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. Amen.*

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

### **SENDING**

**Blessing.....** and we say: **Amen.**

#### **Sending Hymn: "The Solid Rock"**

**Vs 1** My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

**Refrain:**

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.

**Vs 2** When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the vale.

**Back to refrain:**

**Vs 3** His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood;  
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

**Back to refrain:**

**Vs 4** When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found;  
Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.

**Back to refrain:**

#### **Dismissal:**

*Go in peace. Christ is with you as we are sent out to reflect the love of God.*

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#### **WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. JAMES THIS WEEK & BEYOND.....**

**Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup>:** \*Bible Study @ 2:00pm  
\***B.Y.O.B. & B. - Bring your own Beverage and Bible.**

**Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup>:** Church Council meeting – To be decided: in person or by ZOOM



**Mission Offering for July benefits...  
Our Local Stillwater Youth Center**

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US**

July 2020 Altar Guild: Sheri Luepke

July 2020 Cleaner(s): Bob & Toni Rouane and Brian & Sydne Wanner

July Gate Keepers: Donna Zeigler; Brian & Sheri Luepke and Larry & Joy Goehner

**(Any member attending church at this time is encouraged to help w/this opportunity to serve. Thanks)**

Musician(s): Marge Sunvold and Betty Ames

For new prayer requests, please contact **Judy Bjorkman**  
at 321-2988, text or call or by email at [jdbjorkman@hotmail.com](mailto:jdbjorkman@hotmail.com)

**PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER...**

For those hospitalized, in nursing homes and homebound, and those battling cancer or other illnesses.

**We offer new prayers for:**

Terry Rudio, father of Sydne Wanner, as he had a heart attack today. Please pray for peace, comfort and healing for Terry.

**We offer continued prayers for:**

God’s grace and peace for the family of Gloria Swanson as they mourn her loss.

God’s healing for Dennis Gauthier; Aubree Mitchum; Bonnie Sherwood; Denise Cowan; Harold Riensche; Pete Hegg; Sally Bisch; Gary Lofing and Jenny Steffenson.

We lift up those living with cancer: Dennis Gauthier; Les Lane; Kevin Ramer; Arvid Barnam and Jim Wilson

All countries affected by the Coronavirus/Cofid-19 as they struggle to contain it and treat those who have contracted it. Please guide them; heal those who are afflicted with the virus; watch over their doctors, nurses and first responders; and halt its spread.

**Please pray for all of those who serve in our military domestically and overseas, as well as their spouses and children at home.**

**FOR YOUR REVIEW AND PRAYER** \*\*Our 2020 monthly budget to meet is \$8,008.33

**FYI.....YTD (Jan – June 2020) (\$7,801.36) under budget**

July 5 <sup>th</sup> Offering Gratefully Received	<u>\$ 190</u>	under monthly budget (\$7,818.33)
July 12 <sup>th</sup> Offering Gratefully Received	<u>\$1,548</u>	under monthly budget (\$6,270.33)

**Continued reminder to give your monthly tithe or offering to your church.....**

*Remember that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever  
We should consider His church to be the same.*

*(Hebrews 13:8).*

**“Your faith in God’s mission for St. James is unshakeable.”**

*Thank you for your prayers and generosity.*

*May the Lord bless you and give you peace.*



**Happy July Anniversary**

Ian & Joni Morse 7/6; Brian & Sydne Wanner 7/18;

Ken & Pete Hegg 7/23



## Happy July Birthday

Vi Ekle 7/4; Alex Tangen 7/5; Chris Fleury 7/7; Karen McDonald 7/17;  
Lindsey Adams 7/17; Jim Dickey 7/21; Betty Ames 7/22;  
Gloria Brown 7/22; Lanita Maurer 7/22; Ken Hegg 7/23; Sally Bisch 7/23;  
Evelyn Williams 7/25; Pat Lashley 7/28; Denise Cowan 7/29; Judy Martin 7/30.



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create such a wonderful memory for us. As soon as Karen receives the order (approx. July or Aug) these books will be ready for purchase! Watch for the notice!

Also, for purchase "sometime" this year, will be beer mugs and wine glasses which have our logo etched on them. Please watch for that notice as well.

Keep watching for "Save the Date" information for events re-scheduled in the year 2021. We will have so much to celebrate next year. Until then, we gather to worship each week in the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth.

## Simple Reminders...

