

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Seventh Sunday Of Easter

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WELCOME! *"I said to the Lord, 'You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing.'" (Psalm 16:2)* Welcome to all in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We're happy to have you worshipping with us today. Visitors, please sign our guest book.

CONFIRMATION

When children have learned the truths of the Christian religion as they are contained in the Catechism and that according to St. Paul's injunction in 1 Cor. 11:28, they are able to examine themselves, then they should no longer be kept from the Lord's Supper. However, before they receive the Holy Sacrament, they should be examined and confirmed in the presence of the assembled congregation. Today one young member of the congregation will give witness to the truths he has learned as contained in Luther's Small Catechism, and will be confirmed in his Christian faith.

Order Of Service

OPENING HYMN: 599 "Our Lord and God, Oh, Bless This Day"

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Confession Of Sins

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

The three young members who will today become communicant members of our congregation are:

Derek Ortloff - *"And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast."* (1 Peter 5:10)

Christopher Ross - *"Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him."* (James 1:12)

Mark Schuth - *"Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me."* (Psalm 50:15)

The confirmation hymn chosen by these students is "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me", which is hymn # 439 in Christian Worship.

May the LORD be with these confirmands so that they may remain faithful to their LORD who continues to remain faithful to them, now and forever.

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A MEASURE OF OUR FAITHFULNESS:

At worship, Sunday, May 9th: 102

Attendance at weekly Bible Studies: 14

FLOWERS on the altar are given by the Ortloff, Ross and Schuth families. Please continue to keep Derek, Christopher and Mark in your prayers.

SUNDAY SCHOOL teachers, children and parents will wrap up this Sunday School year with an awards ceremony beginning at 11:00am and picnic to follow next Sunday, May 23rd.

COBORN'S COOKOUT: Thank you to Laurie Litzau for organizing this year's Coborn's Cookout and everyone who volunteered to help out. The total amount raised was \$404.65!

THIS WEEK IF GOD WILLS

Today	9:00 am	Worship / Confirmation
	10:00 am	Sunday School
Monday	7:00 pm	Bible Class (1 John)
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Table Talk (Sermon Text)
Thursday	6:30 pm	Jesus Cares Ministry
Saturday	9:00 am	Youth Ditch Clean-Up
Sunday	9:00 am	Worship
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	10:20 am	Bible Class
	11:00 am	Sunday School Picnic

THE GLENCOE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE *is collecting recipes for a community cookbook. In addition to featuring local recipes, the cookbook will include trivia, photos, and other historic milestones celebrating the community. Up to two recipes per person can be submitted by email to kwebster@ci.glencoe.mn.us or dropped off in person at the Chamber of Commerce office at 630 10th St. East. **The deadline for submissions is May 31st. Recipes must include a name, phone number and address.** (Contact information will not be published)*

SUMMER BIBLE SCHOOL: *We will be having a meeting after Sunday School next Sunday, May 23rd to discuss and plan our Summer Bible School theme and schedule. All parents, teachers and helpers are greatly encouraged to come and give their input and new ideas.*

YOUTH DITCH CLEAN-UP *has been rescheduled for this Saturday, May 22nd at 9am. All Youth members and parents are asked to attend. We will be discussing plans for the Glencoe Parade float followed by lunch. If you are unable to attend, please let Gene know.*

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

Prayer and Praise

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray

The Word

LESSON **Revelation 22:12-17, 20 (Pew Bible p. 1873)**

HYMN: 170 “Draw Us to Thee”

EXAMINATION/ADDRESS: John 17:24-26 (Pew Bible p. 1628)
“Jesus Prays For Your Safe Arrival Home”

CHOIR: “Day by Day”

Thanksgiving

OFFERING

(Organ/Piano Duet: “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”).

CONFIRMATION VOWS

PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

CHILDREN’S SONG: “Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

COMMUNION FOR CONFIRMANDS

PRAYER

BLESSING

C: Amen. Amen. Amen. (Sung)

CLOSING HYMN: 596 “Let Me Be Yours Forever”

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Organist: Christy Ittel

Piano: Catherine Templin, Kathy Stuedemann

THRIVENT MEETING: *Anyone interested in learning about the new Thrivent Choice gifting program is invited to attend a meeting this Wednesday, May 19th beginning at 5pm at the Glencoe Pizza Ranch. Thrivent representative Brooks Rankin will be providing more information. Supper will be supplied by Thrivent.*

GLENCOE PARADE: *We will be participating in the Glencoe Parade on Sunday, June 13th. The Youth Group has volunteered to help with building this year's float; however, we are always looking for extra hands. Also, we need someone who is willing to provide a vehicle and/or drive the float in the parade. Speak to Pastor Reichow if you are interested.*

SERMONS FOR THE FUTURE: *Did the coming of the Holy Spirit meet or exceed the disciples' expectations? Come next week and learn more about it. In preparation read Acts 2: 1-21.*

The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost

¹When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: "Are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in his own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!"

¹²Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵These men are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷" 'In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

¹⁹I will show wonders in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.'