

SUNDAY

MAY 2, 2021

Pastor: Jon Franson The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to our service this morning at Our Savior’s in Bartlett and St. John’s in Burwell. If you are looking for a church home we invite you to consider Our Savior’s or St. John’s.

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17- 34

Divine Service: Divine Service, setting III, pg. 184
Hymns: 543, 545, 571, 633, 636, 632, 506
Text: 1st John 4:1 – 11
Sermon Title: “Spiritual Testing”

Worship schedule

Sun. May 2nd: 8:15 AM Divine Service w/Holy Communion @ Our Savior’s
 10:30 AM Divine Service w/Holy Communion @ St. John’s

Sun. May 9th: 8:15 AM Divine Service w/Holy Communion @ Our Savior’s
 10:30 AM Divine Service w/Holy Communion @ St. John’s

Announcements:

Announcements for the bulletin, may be left at the church office or emailed to Bethany Franson at Bethany.Franson@gmail.com or text to 308-201-0924 before 12pm on Thursday.

Hubbub at the Hub Please stop by the Hub from 2 – 3:30 with any of your questions for Pastor about the Bible, Lutheranism, or Christianity in general. If there’s a book of the Bible that you’d like to know more about, feel free to ask. Pastor looks forward to seeing on Thursday afternoons.

Dorcias Guild will meet on THIS Wednesday, May 5th at 6 PM at St. John’s.

ESSENTIAL EXERCISE FOR THE CHRISTIAN MIND...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week’s teachings include: Roman Catholic Mariology, The Godly Practice of Leisure, The Word “Glory” in the Bible, Facebook’s New Prayer Post Feature and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

Vacation Bible School. St. John’s is planning on hosting VBS on Wednesday, May 26th, 2021. Stay tuned here to the bulletin for more information as it becomes available.

Life thought from Lutherans For Life: We behold ourselves in both our unborn and our elderly neighbors, for apart from Jesus even we can do nothing (John 15:5). And we behold our Lord Jesus in their bodies as well because He has come unto us in a flesh like their own (1 John 4:2). Let us use our breath to defend them from abortion or assisted suicide and in this way praise the Lord (Psalm 150:6).

Concordia Seward Virtual Open Houses. For all high school students and their families, Concordia is holding a series of virtual open houses throughout February to learn more about the university's academic and co-curricular programs and the college admissions process. The free sessions begin at 7 pm Central and registration is required, visit <https://cune.elluciancrmrecruit.com/Apply/Events> for more details.

Monday, May 3

From Homeschool to Concordia

Watering the Grass at St. John's will be getting automated in the near future. The Voters' Assembly decided to pursue an automated sprinkler system and will be gathering estimates to be voted on at a special assembly. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please contact Kelly Harner.

Noah's Ark Preschool Registration. Forms for the 2021 – 2022 school year can be picked up in the Preschool mailbox in the narthex right behind the bulletin table. The form answers many common questions about Noah's Ark Preschool, but any additional questions can be answered by contacting our Preschool director, Teresa Switzer.

Parish Nurse Meeting A Parish Nurse Meeting is planned for Friday, April 30th, 1:30, by ZOOM. Connect with other parish nurses serving in the Nebraska District. Share your ideas and get new ideas. Contact Chris Blanke at blanke.christine189@gmail.com to RSVP and to get the connecting information.



Those desiring long term prayers:

John Clark (Grandson of Bob & Jere Schwartzkopf), Floyd Dunbar, Randy Cain, Cheryl Weekly & family (Francis Mares daughter), Paul Cain, Laura Knight and Peggy Mohr (Francis Mares's sisters), Sam Lee, Mick Scarlett, Frances Mares, Matthew Ropers (Grandson of Dolores Ropers) Howard Lee, Pastor John Ryding, Judy Steimle (friends of Kenn & Jan Stobbe), Roger & Deb Stevenson (friends of Bob & Jere Schwartzkopf)

Those desiring short term prayers:

Darlene Shermo (friend of Pastor's family), Jim Roblyer, the family of Mel Quall.

Those serving in the military:

**Eric Donner, Tom Ziegler, Rebecca Fines, and
Brandon Kammerer, Tate Phillipps**

Service Outline:

Opening Hymn: 543 “What Wondrous Love Is This”

Confession and Absolution, pg. 184

Introit

A little while, and you will see me no longer;

And again a little while, and you will see me.

I will extol you, my God and King,

And bless your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless you

And praise your name forever and ever.

The Lord is gracious and merciful,

Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,

And all your saints shall bless you!

My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord,

And let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

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.

A little while, and you will see me no longer;

And again a little while, and you will see me.

Kyrie/Gloria in Excelsis pg. 186

Collect/Readings

First Lesson: Acts 8:26 – 40

Epistle Lesson: 1st John 4:1 – 11

Gospel Lesson: John 15:1 – 8

Hymn of the Day: 545 “Word of God, Come Down on Earth”

Sermon: “Spiritual Testing”

Sermon Text: 1st John 4:1 – 11

Apostles’ Creed, pg. 192

Prayers of the Church

P ... let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

Offertory – LSB 571 “God Loved the World So That He Gave”

At this point the stream will be cut off, and communion will be offered to those physically present. For those who are streaming, here is a recommended conclusion to today’s service for the head of the household to lead

L: Let us pray,

Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who taught us to pray ...

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.

L: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of god and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

C: Amen.