

Invocation

Call to Worship

Psalm 112:1-2,4-5,9-10 NCV

- L** Happy are those who respect the Lord,
- C** **who want what he commands.**
- L** Their descendants will be powerful in the land;
- C** **the children of honest people will be blessed.**
- L** A light shines in the dark for honest people,
- C** **for those who are merciful and kind and good.**
- L** It is good to be merciful and generous.
- C** **Those who are fair in their business, they give freely to the poor.**
- L** The things they do are right and will continue forever.
- C** **They will be given great honor.**
- L** The wicked will see this and become angry; they will grind their teeth in anger and then disappear.
- C** **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.**

Opening Song: : "Oh, Our Lord and King"

(On-Line Worship)

- 1 [Chorus]
Oh our Lord and King, our praise to You we bring
There is no other Rock but You seated high above,
You are the One we love, this is our song of praise to You

- 2 King forever! You are the first and You're the last
You are sovereign; All Your commands will always come to pass to give You glory
[Chorus]

- 3 Who is like You? Who else is worthy of our praise?
We exalt You; You reign in majesty and awesome splendour, King forever!
[Chorus]

- 4 Abba Father, Your steadfast love will never fail.
You are faithful; You are God, and I will worship in Your courts forever
[Chorus 2x]

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 19:3-8a

³The LORD called to [Moses] out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: ⁴You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; ⁶**and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.** These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

⁷So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ⁸All the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do."

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

Epistle Reading

Galatians 5:13-15 GW

¹³ You were indeed called to be free, brothers and sisters. Don't turn this freedom into an excuse for your corrupt nature to express itself. Rather, **serve each other through love.** ¹⁴ All of Moses' Teachings are summarized in a single statement, "Love your neighbor as you love yourself." ¹⁵ But if you criticize and attack each other, be careful that you don't destroy each other.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

John 13:4-17

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter.

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

⁴[Jesus]rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹²When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. ¹⁴If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. ¹⁶Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Prayer of the Day

L Loving and all-powerful Father, we are certainly not greater than Your servant Jesus,

C **who is our Lord and Master.**

L Move us both to abide in His great love

C **and to imitate Him, serving others sacrificially,**

L not waiting for recognition or gratitude,

C **but just boldly following Him who bore the cross for us,**

L through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now

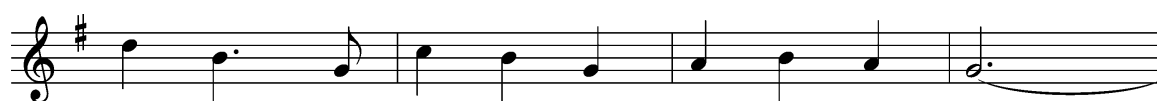
C **and forever. Amen.**

Sermon Song: "We Are Called"

(On-Line Worship)



1. Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
2. Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that



joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
great day when all will be one! God will reign,



to be light for the king - dom, to
to be hope for the hope - less so all
and we'll walk with each oth - er as



live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God!
ha - tred and blind - ness will be no more!
sis - ters and broth - ers u - nit - ed in love!



We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly, we are called to serve one an - oth - er;



to walk hum - bly with God!

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Sermon: Red Letter Challenge - Serving

Apostles' Creed

**☑ 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

Currently, the offering plate will not be passed. There is a plate in the Narthex for you to place your offering. During the outdoor services, an offering box is on a table as you enter the tented area. You may give to God and the work of His Church by mailing them in, but you can also give electronically using the Church App (see "Pushpay button"), or Simply Giving or PayPal.

Offering Prayer

L Merciful Father,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us-
our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love.
Receive them for the sake of Him Who offered Himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Exhortation

LSB 167

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

LSB 167

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

Closing Song: "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

(On-Line Worship)



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to look at Je - sus.
I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.
Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,
When we have run with pa - tience the race,

The star of my life is Je - sus.
And show me the way to the Fa - ther.
We shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain
In Him there is no dark - ness at all.

The night and the day are both a - like.

The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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Benediction

Announcements

10/11/20

Thank you to Pastor David Wackenhuth for preaching the Word of God, and to Don Reinertsen for playing beautiful music today!

St. James Lutheran, a Giving People:

ALTAR FLOWERS have been given:
to the Glory of God

TO ORDER ALTAR FLOWERS: Call Connie Marohn at 862-7123 after you have signed up for your requested date in the Altar Flower Book in the Narthex. Please use an Altar Guild envelope located in the Narthex to place your check for \$25.00 for *each* Bouquet payable to St. James Lutheran Church Flowers and the wording you wish printed in the bulletin. Place envelope into the offering plate or mail to 230 Second Ave., NY 11780. Envelopes must be received by Monday for the subsequent weekend.

MAILING LIST/HOUSEHOLD INFO. FORM: Please help us to update our database and church mailing list! There are copies of Family Household Information forms in the Narthex. If you've had any changes in your household over the past few years, please complete a form, put it in the envelope provided and either drop it in with your offering, or mail to 230 Second Ave., NY 11780.

Other Announcements:

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for people to volunteer to be on our **Tech Team** at STJLC. Our online worship opportunities are going very well, and we need more people to help make them even better! No prior experience is necessary, but people who work well with computers would be ideal team members. You will be trained in all aspects of the position. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please email DCE Ryan Howard at ryan@stjlc.com. Thank you!

TRUNK OR TREAT: Our annual event will take place on **Saturday, October 24th** from **2pm-4pm** in the big parking lot. (Rain date is October 31st.) This will be a safe, outdoor event with plenty of precautions in place to make sure everyone has a great time! There will be safe activities for all - plus live music! Mouth and nose coverings will be required, so wear a creative Halloween mask and join us! If you would like to decorate your trunk or donate a bag of candy, contact DCE Ryan Howard at ryan@stjlc.com. See you there!

UPDATE OF THE SMITHTOWN FOOD PANTRY: The Smithtown Food Pantry opened on October 6th, 2020, the hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 am-12. The Pantry mailed over 900 grocery cards since last April to our clients throughout this pandemic. Monetary donations from the community will continue to be used to purchase food, meat, milk and eggs. Checks can be made out to Smithtown Food Pantry, P.O. Box 1663, Smithtown, NY 11787. Using the whole annex building, along with the pantry will provide necessary space for social distancing. If you wish to volunteer at the pantry to serve our community, please contact Pat Westlake by her cell phone (516-445-5597) or Email address (smithtownpantry@optonline.net). Wearing masks is mandatory on the church grounds. If you are high risk or have been sick or near a sick person, please do not help at this time. Your temperature will be taken and a contact tracing form will be required. Rubber gloves, masks, sanitizer and wipes are available at the pantry. The current needs are: *(peanut butter, jelly, soups, mac/cheese, tuna, tomato sauce, pasta, canned chicken, canned fruit, canned chili, canned ravioli/ spaghetti, canned/instant potatoes, canned vegetable, spam, cereal, and rice. Please note that food drives CANNOT be planned at this time. As the pantry reopens, there will no licenses of clients checked. Their names, town and phone number will be recorded. Pre-packaged bags of food will be distributed in a drive-by manner with little or no contact. More to come about the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Thank you all for your continued support of the Smithtown Food Pantry. We are here to give to our community because of your generosity. God Bless. With Gratitude, Smithtown Food Pantry.

RED LETTER CHALLENGE:

In many of our Bibles, when we read the words of Jesus (that is, the words that He said while He was here on Earth in the flesh, as recorded in the four Gospels), they are often colored red. The idea for the Red Letter Challenge came from that color. What if we took those words of Jesus - the ones He says in red - and put them into practice? The Red Letter Challenge is unique because it takes Christ's literal words and gives you practical daily challenges based on those words. Do you have what it takes to really follow Jesus and do what He said? We believe you do!

PEEK AT THE WEEK

SUNDAY October 11

5:15-7:45 am AA- Multipurpose Room
8:30 am / 10:30 am Worship Service

MONDAY October 12

5:15-7:45 am AA- Multipurpose Room
Preschool & Church Office Closed Today-Columbus Day
1-3:00 pm Piecemakers CANCELLED TODAY-Multipurpose Room
7-9:00 pm Smithtown Stitchers Guild Meeting-Parish Hall

TUESDAY October 13

5:15-7:45 am AA- Multipurpose Room
9-12:00 pm Mom's Group-Multipurpose Room (upstairs)
6:30-8:30 pm AA Multipurpose Room
7:00 pm Church Council Meeting-Library

WEDNESDAY October 14

5:15-7:45 am AA- Multipurpose Room

9:30-11:30 am Griefshare-Multipurpose Room

THURSDAY October 15

5:15-7:45 am AA- Multipurpose Room

10-11:00 am - Bible Study-Sanctuary

7-9:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 301-Parish Hall

FRIDAY October 16

5:15-7:45 am AA- Multipurpose Room

8-9:00 am Morning Prayer-Sanctuary

SATURDAY October 17

5:15-7:45 am AA- Multipurpose Room

5:30 pm Worship Service

SUNDAY October 18

5:15-7:45 am AA- Multipurpose Room

8:30 am / 10:30 am Worship Service

12:00 pm Baptism-Harvey-Sanctuary

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