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**THE VINE &
BRANCHES
16 AUGUST 2020**

“WELCOME!” TO OUR VISITORS

As brothers and sisters in Christ, the members of St. John’s appreciate having you join us for the Divine Service this morning. We offer to you our sincere greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Please, if you have not done so already, take a moment to sign our guest registry located at the back of the sanctuary. We give thanks to God for having this time of worship together this morning and ask that you come back soon and visit us again. God richly bless your time with us today.

ROMANS 15:4

“FOR WHATEVER WAS WRITTEN IN FORMER DAYS WAS WRITTEN FOR OUR INSTRUCTION, THAT THROUGH ENDURANCE AND THROUGH THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE SCRIPTURES WE MIGHT HAVE HOPE.”

HOUSEKEEPING

Please consume coffee, drinks, and food in the fellowship hall— *not in the sanctuary during the Divine Service.* Also, don't use the hymnal racks as trash receptacles. Thank you very much!

COURTESY

As God's people, we are extremely blessed that God calls us through His Word and Sacraments in His Church. *He does not,* however, promise to reach us directly via our cell phones and other electronic devices during the service. Please be so kind as to take time to make sure yours is turned off before the start of the Divine Service.

ISSUES, ETC.

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: Online Political Conversations, 17th Century Lutheran Theologian Johann Gerhard, 11th Century Hymnwriter Bernard of Clairvaux, Old Testament Judge Samuel and more.

You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

ASSISTING THIS MONTH

Head Elder	Dale Johnson
Ushers	Bob McBride Tom Spahn

Acolyte	Tyler Markussen
Alt. Acolyte	Tommy Markussen

Altar Guild	Val Olson Vicki Spahn Cindy Wecker
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Fellowship	Ken & Diana Armknecht
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Greeters	Aug. 2, Sharon Kelly Aug. 9, Josh Struckman Aug. 16, Cory & Tori Holm Aug. 23, Dickmander Family Aug. 30, Tom & Vicki Spahn
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THE LUTHERAN HOUR

The Lutheran Hour may be heard each Sunday morning on KOGA (930 AM) beginning at 8:05 a.m., and every Sunday afternoon on KJLT (970 AM) starting at 2:00 p.m. It's "Archives August." Next Sunday, August 23, In a Lutheran Hour classic, Rev. Dr. Wallace Schulz gives the message entitled, "**A Wrong Comparison**" How do you compare to your next-door neighbor, your brother-in-law, or the person you were five years ago? Comparing ourselves against God's requirements can prompt us to turn in repentant faith to Jesus, the Savior beyond compare. (Luke 18:9-14)

MEMBERS IN PRAYER

LeeAnn Hinrichs	Leanne Rowe
Vareena Kasten	Jill Markussen
Chick Kampfe	Roy Sparks
Beeb Kampfe	



LESSONS NEXT SUNDAY

Old Testament..... Gen. 4:1-15
Epistle..... 1 Cor. 15:1-10
Holy GospelLk. 18:9-14



PRAYER REQUESTED FOR...

Heather Adams	Jim Lueck
Chantell Bendorf	Sue McGreer
Randy Bendorf	Bob Mercer
Robin Cobaugh	Gayle Mercer
Donnie Dethlefs	Martin Nelson
Julee Dethlefs	Carissa Pedersen
China Dixon	Vicki Pedersen
Kendyl Foshier	Ron Richards
Fred Gleason	Ashley Shinkle
Greg Gifford	Cody Stickley
Jessamine Gonzales	Bonnie Suhr
Lois Hansen	Winnie Suhr
Rhys Hartman	Ed Trausch
Gayle Hinrichs	Micheala Williams
Marilyn Holdorf	Mike Wyatt
Rev. Kasten	David 'Ryan' Zingg
Terry LaFore	The Maseberg &
Suzanne Lassiter	Springer Families

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Aug 16..... 2 Sam 6:1–19
1 Cor 9:1–23
Aug 17..... 2 Sam 7:1–17
1 Cor 9:24—10:22
Aug 18..... 2 Sam 7:18–29
1 Cor 10:23—11:16
Aug 19..... 2 Sam 11:1–27
1 Cor 11:17–34
Aug 20..... 2 Sam 12:1–25
2 Sam 13:1—19:4
1 Cor 12:1–13
Aug 21..... 1 Kng 1:1–4, 15–35
1 Cor 12:14–31
Aug 22..... 1 Kng 2:1–27
1 Cor 14:1—16:24
1 Cor 13:1–13

THE WEEKLY PLANNER

Today.	8:30 a.m.	Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
	9:45 a.m.	Fellowship
T.....	7:00 a.m.	Devotions
Th.....	7:00 a.m.	Devotions
Sa.....	11:00 a.m.	Betty Benjamin Funeral Service
Next Sunday.....	8:30 a.m.	Divine Service
	9:45 a.m.	Fellowship

THE GREEN STEM -- ANNOUNCEMENTS

The August edition of the *Lutheran Witness* is available at the ushers station.

Today we rejoice that Hayes McCoy Mogus is being welcomed into the arms of Christ through the washing of Holy Baptism. May God richly bless him as he grows and is taught the saving message of Christ as his Savior from sin.

The Live Stream of our Sunday morning services can be found on our website at www.stjohnsbrule.org. Simply click on “MEDIA”, then “VIDEO” and then follow the instructions. If you would like to support this ministry outreach and sponsor a Sunday or multiple Sundays, you may sign up on the sheet posted under the church calendar as you enter the sanctuary from the narthex. \$100 for a one month sponsorship, \$25 for weekly sponsorships.

Contributions to the Big Springs Food Pantry can be placed inside the box located the narthex, under the coat rack.

We give thanks to God that Rev. Tim Oetting accepted the call to serve the congregation of Shepherd of the Hills in Hyannis, NE. Pastor Oetting’s Installation will take place on September 13, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.