

Sixteenth Sunday of Pentecost

September 9 & 12, 2021



What does
Love
look like?

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church

Juneau

Salem-Lowell

Horicon

COMPASSION SUNDAY

WELS Christian Aid and Relief

HYMN

God of Mercy, God of Grace | CW 249

Stand.

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

LITANY OF COMPASSION

You, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God,
slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.

Psalm 86:15

As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

Psalm 103:13

The Lord is gracious and righteous;
Our God is full of compassion.

Psalm 116:5

The Lord our God is merciful and forgiving,
even though we have rebelled against him.

Daniel 9:9

Because of the LORD's great love, we are not consumed, for his compassions
never fail.

They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Lam. 3:22-23

CONFESSION OF SINS

Trusting in the Lord's compassion and mercy, let us confess our sins to him.

Silence for personal confession.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

Almighty and merciful Father,
we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

All Glory Be to God on High | CW 263:1,3,4

Let us praise the Lord in thanks for his forgiveness.

**All glory be to God on high, Who has our race befriended!
To us no harm shall now come nigh; The strife at last is ended.
The Father's love, the Savior's birth, Bring peace, good will, to all the earth;
Oh, thank him for his goodness!**

**O Jesus Christ, the only Son Of God, your heav'nly Father,
You did for all our sins atone, And your lost sheep you gather.
O Lamb of God, to you on high From depths of woe we sinners cry,
Have mercy on us, Jesus!**

**O Holy Spirit, precious Gift, Our Comforter from heaven,
Our weary hearts and souls uplift; For this our praise is given.
Deliver us from doubt and fear; When Satan troubles us, be near;
We trust your love and power.**

Text: Nikolaus Decius, c. 1485–after 1546, abr., st. 1-3; Mark A. Jeske, b. 1952, st. 4;
tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1-3, alt.
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Merciful Father, your Son came among us to serve, not to be served, and to give his life for the sins of the world. Lead us by his love to show compassion to those in need and to serve those to whom the world offers no comfort and little help. Through us give hope to the hopeless, love to the unloved, peace to the troubled and rest to the weary; through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING

Leviticus 19:9-16 | EHV

⁹ When you reap the harvest from your land, you are not to finish reaping all the way to the edge of the field. Do not gather up the gleanings of your harvest. ¹⁰ Do not strip your vineyard clean, and do not pick up the fallen grapes from your vineyard, but leave them for the poor and the alien who live with you. I am the LORD your God.

¹¹ You shall not steal. You shall not swindle. You shall not lie to one another. ¹² You shall not swear falsely by my name so that you do not profane the name of your God. I am the LORD.

¹³ You shall not exploit your neighbor. You shall not rob him. You shall not keep the wages of a day laborer with you overnight until morning.

¹⁴ You shall not curse a deaf person, nor shall you put an obstacle in front of a blind person, but you must fear your God. I am the LORD.

¹⁵ You shall not act unjustly in court cases. Do not show favoritism to a poor person, and do not show undue honor to an important person. You must judge your fellow citizens with justice.

¹⁶ You shall not go around spreading slander among your people. You shall not testify falsely against your neighbor in a capital case. I am the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 103 | CW, p. 105
Congregation sings all

SECOND READING

James 2:14-26 | EHV

¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers, if someone says that he has faith but has no works? Such “faith” cannot save him, can it? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister needs clothes and lacks daily food ¹⁶ and one of you tells them, “Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well,” but does not give them what their body needs, what good is it? ¹⁷ So also, such “faith,” if it is alone and has no works, is dead. ¹⁸ But someone will say, “You have faith, and I have works.” Show me your faith without works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

¹⁹ You believe that God is one. Good for you! Even the demons believe that—and shudder! ²⁰ But do you want proof, you mindless person, that such “faith” without works is dead? ²¹ Wasn’t Abraham our father shown to be righteous by works when he offered Isaac his son on the altar? ²² You see that his faith was working together with his works, and by his works his faith was shown to be complete. ²³ And the Scripture was fulfilled that says, “Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.” He was also called God’s

friend. ²⁴ You see that a person is shown to be righteous by works and not by faith alone.

²⁵ In the same way also, wasn't Rahab the prostitute shown to be righteous by works when she welcomed the spies and sent them out another way? ²⁶ For just as the body without breath is dead, so also faith without works is dead.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL SONG 8:00 AM 7-8TH Grade What a Friend We Have in Jesus | CW 411

Stand.

GOSPEL

Matthew 8:1-4 | EHV

When Jesus came down from the mountain, large crowds followed him. ² Just then, a leper came to him and bowed down to him, saying, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean."

³ Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean." Immediately he was healed of his leprosy. ⁴ Jesus said to him, "See that you tell no one. Instead, go, show yourself to the priest and offer the gift that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ.

Be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY 499

O God of Mercy, God of Might | CW 499

SERMON

1 John 3:16-18 | EHV

What Does Love Look Like?

¹⁶ This is how we have come to know love: Jesus laid down his life for us. And we also should lay down our lives for our brothers. ¹⁷ Whoever has worldly wealth and sees his brother in need but closes his heart against him—how can God's love remain in him? ¹⁸ Dear children, let us love not only with word or with our tongue, but also in action and truth.

Stand.

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be seated.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

9:30 AM

Paul Metzger

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

With all our hearts and with all our minds, let us pray to the Lord.

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the leaders of our synod and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our president, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth that God has given us and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Special prayers and intercessions.

Defend us, deliver us, and in your compassion protect us, O Lord, by your grace.
Lord, have mercy.

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LORD’S PRAYER

We pray with confidence the prayer our Savior taught us:

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.

Stand.

OFFERING HYMN

**1 Brothers, sisters, let us gladly
Give to God our all, our best—
Service hearty, thorough, honest,
With a living love impressed.
All our duty, all our striving,
All our time to him belong;
Praise him, then, with true devotion;
Come before him with a song.**

Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly | CW 484 vv1-2

**2 By his mercy, by his bounty,
By the gift of Christ, his Son,
What great goodness he has shown us,
What high marvels he has done!
Let us to him promptly, freely,
Yield our bodies and our souls,
Thankful that his love protects us,
That his wisdom all controls.**

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is good and right so to do.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us to be his own so that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is

might, Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In
he Who in God's name is com - ing To

count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and
set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -

save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And
va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De -

in your grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.
liv - er us from bond - age—Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Be seated.

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion expresses our oneness in faith and confession. To commune with us is the same as declaring, "I believe everything this church teaches." Before communing together, we need to study God's Word together to ensure that we are united in belief and confession. Therefore, we respectfully ask other Christians to receive instruction before communing with us. We welcome to the Lord's Table those who confess unity in faith with us by their membership in another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). If you have any questions about our practice, please speak to one of the pastors after the service.

HYMN

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness | CW 311

Stand.

THANKSGIVING

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

Amen.

Be seated.

CLOSING HYMN

Go, My Children, with My Blessing | CW 332

Preacher: Pastor Dan Sims

Liturgist: David Brandt / Paul Schupmann

Organist: Ruth Affeld / Sue Henselin

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Don't forget to fill out the Connect Card located in your pew or on your chair! Please complete it and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher. You may also complete the connect card on our app under "Check In" on the home screen. Thank you!

Game night returns: Come play euchre or bingo (or another game) on Saturday evening, September 25th. We will gather in the basement at the Juneau Campus at 6:30 pm.



Treasure Life Events: You're invited to the Treasure Life Events, WELS Lutherans for Life's fall fundraising events on Friday, October 8th, at the Milwaukee Marriott West Hotel in Waukesha. The Luncheon is at 12:00 PM and the Banquet is at 6:30 PM. Dr. Marc Newman will be our featured speaker. He will give you a new enthusiasm to take action in the pro-life movement. There is no cost to attend the Luncheon or the Banquet, but you need to register because the tables will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. FREE childcare is available this year. All funds raised will directly support life-affirming help for abortion-vulnerable mothers, a youth development program, pregnancy and parenting support for men and women, and advocate support for those suffering post-abortion trauma. Find all the details and register at treasure-life.org. For questions call Haley at 414-699-9915.

Sunday morning Bible class - new topic begins September 19

A Brief Introduction to the Lutheran Confessions

This is a five-week study that will give you an overview of how the confessions fit into the history of the Lutheran Reformation. This study will include 5-10 minutes of take-home reading to give members of the class a sense of the flow of Reformation history - concentrating on the religious and political situations that gave rise to the confessions. This study runs from September 19 - October 17. Hope you can join us!



St. John's Back-to-School Walk, Fun Run & Roll on Saturday, September 18 at 10am -

All members of St. John's and the community are welcome to join us for this free fun event! We will have a 2 Mile Fun Run course or 1 Mile Run/Walk/Roll option for those who want a slower pace, both starting and ending at St. John's. After the event there will be Water, Snacks and a Yogurt Parfait Bar. Marshfield Medical Center will bring their famous Smoothie Bike. Be sure to stick around for the free giveaways and a chance to win some of our great free raffle prizes. Registration forms and drop box are in the narthex. Registration is also available on the day of the event beginning at 9:30 AM. Rain date is Sunday, September 19 at 1pm. Don't miss the fun, sign up today!

Jesus Cares: Jesus Cares has resumed at Clearview! If you are willing to assist with Jesus Cares, please contact Pastor Schupmann. Times for Jesus Cares are the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 1:30 PM. Please note, Clearview is currently only allowing fully **vaccinated** individuals into Clearview, so please only volunteer if you have been fully vaccinated. Thank you for your understanding.

Volunteers:

Greeters (9/9-9/12)

6:30 PM Tim, Jill, and Maddy Weisensel Family
8:00 AM Bob, Deanna, and Kayley McLain Family
10:30 AM Randy, Fran, and Eric Mohr family

Communion Assistants (9/9-9/12)

6:30 PM Pastors and Tim Weisensel
8:00 AM Rick Cody, Harold Zastrow, Mike Krebs, Dave Meister
9:30 AM Pastors and Dennis Kohn
10:30 AM Darris Wasmund, Earl Pamperin, Ryan Kummerow, Jeff Greenwald

Ushers (9/2-9/5)

6:30 PM Lee Weis, Dylan Stegner
8:00 AM Joel Pitzlin, Bob Sette, Bob Koch, Shaun Panetti, Jay Panetti
9:30 AM Wally Christian, Dennis Kohn
10:30 AM Jerry Stolzman, Bob Henken, Dennis Lisko, Mike Schall

Lawn Mowing (week of September 13th)

Team 3 Ron and Logan Preskar



Shooting at the Schillings

(N2960 County Rd K, Watertown)

Looking for some outdoor fun and interaction? We will be shooting clay pigeons at the Schillings' farm on Sunday, September 19th at 2:00. In order to keep it organized and safe, we are limiting the number of shooters to 15, but feel free to come along to hang out and to support the shooters, even if you are not one of them. We ask that any shooters to be experienced gun handlers or to have taken hunter's safety. You will find a signup sheet in the Juneau narthex or call the church office.

St. John's Adult Choir Please join the St. John's Adult Choir. The St. John's Choir is a SATB choir for all confirmed members of our congregation. Please join us in the church balcony at the Juneau Campus on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM beginning September 15th. No experience necessary...will train!

Offerings given to our Lord *(weekend of August 29th)*

General	\$12,903.38
Improvement	\$198.00
Lakeside	\$100.00
Missions	\$699.90
Total	\$13,901.28

This Week at St. John's

Sunday (9/12) *Christian Aid & Relief Sunday*

8:00 AM Worship @ Juneau
8:15 AM Bible Class @ Lowell
8:30 AM Sunday School @ Lowell
9:15 AM Sunday School @ Juneau
9:30 AM Bible Class @ Juneau
9:30 AM Worship @ Lowell
10:30 AM Worship @ Juneau
6:30 PM Elders @ Juneau

Monday (9/13) *Pastors in Circuit Meeting*

6:30 PM Readings Bible Study @ Lowell
7:00 PM Board of Education @ Juneau

Tuesday (9/14)

6:30 PM Old Testament Bible Class @ Juneau

Wednesday (9/15)

9:00 AM Ladies Bible Study @ Juneau
11:00 AM Midweek Communion @ Juneau
2:00 PM Midweek Communion @ Hillside Manor
5:00 PM Catechism @ Juneau
5:30 PM Potluck Moai @ Juneau
6:00 PM Military Support @ Juneau
7:00 PM Adult Choir Beings!!! @ Juneau

Thursday (9/16)

6:30 PM Worship @ Juneau

Saturday (9/18)

10:00 AM Walk Fun Run & Roll @ Juneau
5:00 PM Worship @ Horicon

Sunday (9/19)

8:00 AM Worship @ Juneau
8:15 AM Bible Class @ Lowell
8:30 AM Sunday School @ Lowell
9:00-9:30 AM Blood Pressure Screening @ Juneau
9:15 AM Sunday School @ Juneau
9:30 AM Bible Class @ Juneau
9:30 AM Worship @ Lowell
10:30 AM Worship @ Juneau
2:00 PM Shooting at the Schillings @ Schilling Farm

Welcome to St. John's

WELCOME

We are so glad you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today! St. John's is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership at any of our campuses. Please join us again soon!

PERSONAL PRAYER AFTER WORSHIP

Good Shepherd, I was glad to be here, gathered with your flock to worship you. Cause the Word I have heard to take root in my heart and bear fruit in my life. Guide me in paths of righteousness, that my words and actions might lead others to glorify you. Amen.

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Worship Services

(same service at all locations)

Thursday

6:30pm Juneau

Saturday

5:00pm Horicon

Sunday

8:00am Juneau

9:30am Lowell

10:30am Juneau

Bible Classes

Sunday

Juneau Campus

9:30-10:15

Salem-Lowell Campus

8:15-9:00 AM

Monday

Salem-Lowell Campus

6:30 PM

Tuesday (2nd, 4th, 5th)

Juneau Campus

6:30 PM

Wednesday

Juneau Campus

9:00 AM (Ladies Bible Study)

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