

June 13-16, 2024



**Part 3: From the Tiniest Seed
Grows the Largest Kingdom**

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church

Juneau

Salem-Lowell

Horicon

Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

June 13-16, 2024

Hymn 644

“Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast”



- 1 Al - might - y God, your Word is cast like seed in - to the ground;
- 2 Let not the foe of Christ and man this ho - ly seed re - move,
- 3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares the ris - ing plant de - stroy,
- 4 When - e'er the pre - cious seed is sown, life - giv - ing grace be - stow



now let the dew of heav'n de - scend and right - eous fruits a - bound.
but give it root in ev - 'ry heart to bring forth fruits of love.
but let it yield a hun - dred - fold the fruits of peace and joy.
that all whose souls the truth re - ceive its sav - ing pow'r may know.

Text: John Cawood, 1775–1852, abr., alt. Tune: The CL Psalmes of David, Edinburgh, 1615
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Stand

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

And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

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.

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.

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.

Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e - ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of six lines of music. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your Word. By your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy and bring forth fruits in faith, hope, and love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of one line of music. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 17:22-24 EHV

22 This is what the LORD God says. I myself will take part of the tip of the cedar and plant it. From the topmost of its shoots I will pluck off a tender sprig, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. 23 On the high mountain of Israel I will plant it. It will produce branches, bear fruit, and become a magnificent cedar. Flying birds of every kind will live under it. In the shelter of its branches they will nest. 24 Then all the trees in the countryside will know that I, the LORD, bring down the high tree and raise up the low tree, that I make the green tree dry up, and I make the dried-up tree blossom. I, the LORD, have spoken, and I will carry it out.

PSALM OF THE DAY 1A

Blessed Are They

Refrain

Bless - ed are they, bless - ed are

they who hope in the LORD.

Tone

Blessed is the one who / does not walk
in step with the / wicked
or stand in the way that / sinners take
or sit in the company of / mockers,
but whose delight is in the law / of the LORD,

and who meditates on his law / day and night.
That person is like a tree planted by streams of / water,
which yields its fruit in / season
and whose leaf does not / wither—
whatever they do / prospers. *Refrain*

Not so the / wicked!

They are like chaff that the wind / blows away.
Therefore the wicked will not stand in the / judgment,
nor sinners in the assembly of the / righteous. *Refrain*

For the LORD watches over the way of the / righteous,
but the way of the wicked leads to de- / struction.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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SECOND LESSON

Colossians 1:3–8 EHV

³ We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴ because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and the love that you have for all the saints ⁵ because of the hope that is stored up for you in heaven. You have already heard about this in the word of truth, the gospel ⁶ that is present with you now. The gospel is bearing fruit and growing in the entire world, just as it also has been doing among you from the day you heard it and came to know the grace of God in truth. ⁷ You learned this from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf. ⁸ He is the one who told us about your love in the Spirit.

VERSE OF THE DAY

2 Peter 3:18 EHV

Alleluia. Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory, both now and forever. Amen. Alleluia.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

STAND

GOSPEL

Mark 4:26–34 EHV

²⁶ He said, “The kingdom of God is like this: A man scatters seed on the ground, ²⁷ and while he sleeps and rises, night and day, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. ²⁸ The ground produces fruit on its own: first the blade, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹ When the crop is ready, he swings the sickle without delay, because the harvest has come.”

³⁰ Then he said, “To what should we compare the kingdom of God? Or with what parable may we picture it? ³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which when sown on the ground is one of the smallest of all the seeds planted in the ground. ³² Yet when it is planted, it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches so that the birds of the sky can nest under its shade.”

³³ With many similar parables he continued to speak the word to them, as much as they were able to hear. ³⁴ He did not speak to them without a parable. But when he was alone with his disciples, he explained everything to them.

The gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, and a half note G4.

Be seated

Hymn 981

“In This Place Your Word Is Planted”

A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody consists of a half note G3, a quarter note A3, a quarter note B3, a quarter note C4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a half note G4.

1 In this place your Word is plant - ed; on our
2 Let your plant - ing not be wast - ed, wilt - ed
3 Help us trea - sure ho - ly wis - dom, sa - vor
4 Blest are they who, truth re - ceiv - ing, know its

A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody consists of a half note G3, a quarter note A3, a quarter note B3, a quarter note C4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a half note G4.

path the seed is sown. To the Church your
soon in ston - y field. Let our world - ly
ev - 'ry word you give. Help us cher - ish
val - ue more than gold. Blest are they who,

A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody consists of a half note G3, a quarter note A3, a quarter note B3, a quarter note C4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a half note G4.

Word is spo - ken; in our hearts a light has shone.
cares not choke it, rob - bing you of right - ful yield.
Je - sus' gos - pel, bread by which your peo - ple live.
per - se - ver - ing, bear good fruit a hun - dred - fold.

Text: Delores Dufner, b. 1939

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From the Tiniest Seed Grows the Largest Kingdom

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.

We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.

You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.

We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.

Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.

Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.

Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.

Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.

We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Offering

Stand

Offering Hymn 750

“We Give Thee but Thine Own”



1 We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, abr. Tune: William H. Monk, 1823–1889 Text and tune: Public domain

Stand

O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

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.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Be seated

Hymn 925

“On What Has Now Been Sown”



1 On what has now been sown your bless - ing, Lord, be -
2 To you our wants are known; from you are all our
3 O grant that each of us now met be - fore you



stow; the pow'r is yours a - lone to make it
pow'rs. Ac - cept what is your own and par - don
here may meet to - geth - er thus when you and



spring and grow. O Lord, in grace the har - vest
what is ours. Our prais - es, Lord, and prayers re -
yours ap - pear and fol - low you to heav'n, our



raise and you a - lone shall have the praise!
ceive and to your Word a bless - ing give.
home. E'en so, A - men! Lord Je - sus, come!

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Organist: Becky Schultz

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Announcements

Preschool Help Needed: St. John's School is looking to hire a part time daycare worker to work with the preschool age children for the upcoming school year. We are also looking for help with our before and after school care program. If you are interested, please contact Crystal Schultz at 920-210-9263.

Seniors Dinner: On Tuesday, June 25, area seniors are invited to Good Shepherd of Beaver Dam. We will have a potluck dinner at noon in the fellowship hall. After the meal and a devotion, Teacher Ben Pagel will give a presentation. He serves as principal at Our Savior's Lutheran School in Peridot, Arizona, on the Apache reservation. All are welcome!

Ready for a Game of Pickleball?? We have all the equipment you need and the court right here at St. John's! The pickleball court is next to the school (where the Lakeside bus parks during the school year) at the Juneau Campus. You'll find the equipment in a box near the court. Feel free to use the court and equipment anytime this summer – it's a great way to get exercise. All we ask is that you be respectful of the equipment and replace it when you are done. Have fun!

June Mid-Week Services: For the month of June only, Mid-week Services for Juneau and Clearview will be changing. They will be held on Thursday, June 20th, 10:00 AM at Clearview and 11:00 AM at Juneau. The Mid-week Service at Hillside Manor will remain as usual on Wednesday June 19th at 2:00 PM.



Juneau Campus Church Bells: There has been a renewed interest in reviving the use of our church bells, both toller and ringer. Currently, the hardware requires maintenance and the outdated electric controller requires replacement.

The original manufacturer (and installer) has been contacted and has provided a quote of the cost for their repairs/replacements. Details are on display in the narthex. This is not a budgeted item, and the total on the quote doesn't include expenses that St. John's will be responsible for. The trustees are looking for a show of interest to know how to proceed. If the bells are something you would like to see return, please contact Tim Weisensel (920-382-4782), Scott Bilgrien (920-362-0199), or Rick Leissring (920-344-7549).





**FREE
EVENT!**

SPLASH CANYON

St. John's Lutheran Church and School invites children PreK3-6th grade to Vacation Bible School June 17-20, 12:15-3:30 PM. Lunch and snacks provided and free busing available from Dodgeland Summer School. Make a splash with us during this fun-filled, faith-building week!

REGISTER TODAY!
Stjohnsdodgecounty.com
400 S. Main St., Juneau, WI



VBS 2024

Thank you volunteers! (6/13-6/16)

Greeters:

6:30 PM The Pastors, Matt and Char Lober
8:00 AM The Pastors, Carol Soldner, Lexi Voigt

Ushers:

6:30 PM Lee Weiss, Dylan Stegner
8:00 AM Chuck Wolfram, Bruce Soldner, Nick Voigt, Rick Cody
10:15 AM Ken Leistico, Wyatt Stowell, Oscar Stowell, Larry Westenberg

Lawn Mowing: (Week of June 17th)

Juneau: Team Two- Rick Leissing and Tony Colantonio
Lowell: Team Two- Jim Bublitz and Kris Heinzen

This Week at St. John's

Sunday (6/16)

Worship 8:00 AM (J) ; 10:15 AM (SL)

Bible Class 9:00 AM (SL) ; 9:15 AM (J)

Monday (6/17)

VBS 12:15-3:30 PM- J

Tuesday (6/18)

VBS 12:15-3:30 PM- J

Jesus Cares 1:30 PM- Clearview

Wednesday (6/19)

VBS 12:15-3:30 PM- J

Midweek Worship 2:00 PM- Hillside Manor

Thursday (6/20)

VBS 12:15-3:30 PM- J

Midweek Worship

- Clearview 10:00 AM
- Juneau 11:00 AM

Worship 6:30 PM- J

Saturday (6/22)

Worship 5:00 PM- H

Sunday (6/23)

Worship 8:00 AM (J) ; 10:15 AM (SL)

Bible Class 9:00 AM (SL) ; 9:15 AM (J)

Statistics

Offerings given to our Lord

	<u>5/30-6/2</u>
General	\$ 18,793.76
Debt	\$ 540.00
Improvement	\$ 65.00
Lakeside	\$ 55.00
Missions	\$ 712.90
Total	\$ 20,166.66

Attendance

Weekend of June 6th 301 (49,53,134,65)

*At our Voter's Meeting, our congregation approved a weekly budget with an average total of \$20,246 (includes General, Lakeside and Missions) needed every week. **Since the beginning of 2022, our congregation has gone from zero debt to drawing a total of \$153,171.69 from the line of credit.** Please continue to support St. John's through your time, talents, treasures, and prayers.*

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

Thursday

6:30 PM Juneau

Saturday

5:00 PM Horicon

Sunday

8:00 AM Juneau

10:15 AM Lowell

Bible Classes

Sunday

Juneau Campus

9:15 AM

Salem-Lowell Campus

9:00 AM

Tuesday (2nd, 4th, 5th)

Lowell Campus

4:00 PM

Juneau Campus

6:30 PM

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