PENTECOST 13.........................August 31/September 3, 2017

Welcome: What a joy it is that you have joined us today as we worship our risen and ascended Savior, Jesus Christ. His perfect life, death and resurrection have won for us forgiveness of sins, life and salvation.

We extend a warm welcome to everyone attending our worship service today, especially to you who are guests. Please sign the guest book at the entrance and join us again soon! If there is any way we can serve you, please speak to the Pastor.

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TODAY’S HYMNS:........240......413......312 (305 if needed)......402...

Organists: Trinity - David Bilitz; St. John's – LeAnn Marzinske

FIRST LESSON................................................Isaiah 56:1,6-8

PSALM OF THE DAY...............................Psalm 133-134 (p. 115)

SECOND LESSON..............................Romans 11:13-15,28-32

GOSPEL LESSON..................................Matthew 15:21-28

SERMON....................................................Matthew 15:21-28

WHEN GOD SAYS “NO”
1. Humbly rely on his mercy
2. Joyfully take him at his Word

HEARING GOD’S WORD
Trinity: 22  St. John’s: 51
Thursday: 25

OFFERINGS TO OUR LORD
Trinity: $1,390.00  St. John's: $1,757.00

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Thursday: 7:00 PM – Worship with Holy Communion – Trinity

Sunday: 8:30 AM - Worship with Holy Communion – Trinity
   10:00 AM – Worship with Holy Communion - St. John’s

Wednesday: 9:30 AM – Janesville Nursing Home Service

Saturday: 9:00 AM - Ice Cream Social Prep – St. John’s

Next Sunday: 8:30 AM - Worship Service – Trinity
   9:00 AM – Sunday School Classes – St. John’s
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   10:00 AM – Worship Service - St. John’s
   11:15 AM – Ice Cream Social – St. John’s

Announcements:

Holy Communion will be offered in our services today. We practice Close Communion. Visitors from our sister congregations in the WELS and ELS are welcome to commune with us. If you are a guest and wish to commune, please speak to the Pastor before the service.

Trinity will be testing one of our Synod’s new liturgies September through November. It is similar to page 15 in Christian Worship. We will begin using it next Sunday.

Our morning 19 Minute Bible classes on Grand Themes and Key Words will not meet on Sunday at St. John’s nor on Tuesday at Trinity. The study will resume on September 17th and 19th.

This is Trinity’s last Thursday night service for the summer. Thank-you to all those who served meals after our services.

Please note: we will prepare for the Ice Cream Social this Saturday at 9 am. Anyone is encouraged to help. Please have your food items (including UNfrozen hamburger) to church by 9. There is a check-off sheet in the kitchen when you bring your items.

St. John’s Ladies’ Aid will have their annual Ice Cream Social next Sunday from 11:15 am - 12:45 pm. The menu will include BBQs, ham sandwiches, baked beans, potato salad, chips, pies, cake, ice cream, and beverages. A free-will offering will be accepted. All are welcome!

Sunday School classes will begin on September 10th (not Sept 3rd as stated on calendar) at both churches. St. John’s will start at 9 am and Trinity’s at 9:30 am.
Truth In Love Ministry seminars by Pastor Mark Cares will be held September 9th at Cross of Christ in Coon Rapids and October 8th at Good Shepard in Burnsville. Although it is about witnessing to Mormons, many people have found it very beneficial for witnessing in general. The 5 witnessing principles on which our approach is built apply to all situations. Check bulletin board for more info.

St. Paul's in N. Mankato is offering a grief recovery group from September 11-October 16, from 6:30-8 pm. It will be in the counseling room in the lower lever. There is no cost, but to help with planning, please pre-register: 354-3641. Attendees will receive the handout "Growing Closer to Christ Through Grief and Loss." Dan Loe, Christian counselor, facilitates.

Trinity will have a potluck meal on September 17th after our service. Members are asked to please bring a dish to share.

September calendars, new Forward in Christ magazines, and the new daily devotional booklet Meditations are available. We thank Tom Marzinske for forwarding our old Meditations to the Prison Ministry. You can drop yours off in the entryway.

Our churches now have a Facebook page. You can search for "St. John & Trinity Lutheran Churches – WELS" or https://www.facebook.com/stjandtr. You can check it for sermons, announcements, changes, and other information associated with our churches. Don’t forget our churches’ website (www.stjohn-trinity.org) for sermons, bulletins, Bible Studies and more.

Food Service Director: Mount Olive Lutheran School is accepting applications for the position of food service director for our hot lunch program. If you are interested in applying, call 507-345-7927.

Openings at Jesus Loves Me Learning Center, N. Mankato. Teacher aides are vital. Hours are available to work with your schedule! Our wages are competitive and a great way to serve your Lord. 507 508 2041 or email lingjlm@hickorytech.net. We need an after-school staff person to work with school age children.

Please pray for all those affected by hurricane Harvey. You can also donate money: go to WELS Christian Aid and Relief at https://community.wels.net/sslpage.aspx?pid=394

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