

March 11, 2018



St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church
Juneau, Wisconsin

The Fourth Sunday of the Lenten Season

Traditionally this Sunday was called Laetare, Rejoice Sunday. We rejoice in the middle of Lent that God has so fully and so perfectly taken to heart our only real need as sinners, and satisfied it in Christ.

HYMN 392 vs. 1-3

“Not Unto Us”

REMAIN SEATED

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

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

C: **Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

M: As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

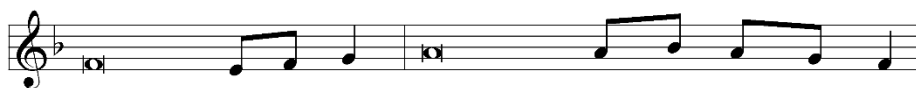
M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

10:30 Service Baptism of Caysen Jay Neuendorf
printed on pages 17-18

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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



C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the

sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of
 God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;
 you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,
 are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask you graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with your salvation; 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.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Ephesians 2:4-10 (EHV)

⁴ But God, because he is rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in trespasses. It is by grace you have been saved! ⁶ He also raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. ⁷ He did this so that, in the coming ages, he might demonstrate the surpassing riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Indeed, it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— ⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast.

¹⁰ For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared in advance so that we would walk in them.

Jr. Choir Sings

“By Grace I’m Saved”

STAND

GOSPEL

John 3:14-21 (EHV)



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

¹⁴ “Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵ so that everyone who believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸ The one who believes in him is not condemned, but the one who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only-begotten Son of God. ¹⁹ This is the basis for the judgment: The light has come into the world, yet people loved the darkness rather than the light, because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ In fact, everyone who practices wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, or else his deeds would be exposed. ²¹ But the one who does what is true comes toward the light, in order that his deeds may be seen as having been done in connection with God.”



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

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

HYMN OF THE DAY 756

Printed on page 19

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

Look to the Cross and Live

⁴ They traveled from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, to go around Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way; ⁵ they spoke against God and against Moses, and said, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!” ⁶ Then the LORD sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died. ⁷ The people came to Moses and said, “We sinned when we spoke against the LORD and against you. Pray that the LORD will take the snakes away from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸ The LORD said to Moses, “Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live.” ⁹ So Moses made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, they lived.

STAND



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN 113 v. 5

“Upon the Cross Extended”

Please stand and sing as the ushers bring the plates forward.

**Your cords of love, my Savior,
Bind me to you forever;
I am no longer mine.
To you I gladly tender
All that my life can render
And all I have to you resign.**

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD’S PRAYER

C: 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.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is good and right so to do.

M: 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 brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: 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."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

grant us your peace. A - men.

BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION



Just a reminder that Nursery help is available this Sunday for your little ones during communion. If you'd like to use this free service, please come to the back of church during distribution to drop off your child(ren). Of course, all parents are welcome to bring their child(ren) to the front with them while they commune – if they so choose.

HYMNS

- 391 “God Loved the World So that He Gave”
398 “Lord, We Confess Our Numerous Faults”
390 “Salvation Unto Us Has Come”

THANKSGIVING

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper.
We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love
for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: 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.



HYMN 392 vs. 4

“Not Unto Us”

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Preacher: Paul Schupmann
Liturgist: David Brandt
Organist: Haley Leissring

Announcements:

Planned Giving to the Lord: Mr. Gerry Heckmann Mr. Heckmann will be addressing our Bible Class on Sunday, March 11th at 9:15am. His presentation is entitled “*Eight Errors of Estate Planning.*” Tax laws change. Assets change. Families change. Will you leave a “will,” a “trust,” or a mess for your children to have to deal with? While God’s people want to be good managers for the Lord, they may not always know their financial options. This presentation is not about giving to the WELS. It’s

about overall Christian stewardship for the Lord. If that further results in Christians including thoughtful gifts to their church, then “Praise the Lord!” While Mr. Heckmann is giving this presentation to the group and allowing for questions, he is also available for *free* private consultation. We hope you will make time for his presentation.

Faith and Fitness– Faith and Fitness will be held on Tuesday, March 13th next week, same time-6:00pm, same place-church lower level. Following the class we will be setting up for the Lenten meal. Class will return to Monday evening the following week.

Last Day for the Spring Book Fair! The fair will be open after services today, on Sunday, March 11! You may shop online at <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/stjohnsjuneau> until March 14th. Please help make this fair a success!

New Organ Arriving! Our new organ is here! In the coming weeks, our organists will have the opportunity to be trained on the new organ and how to use it to its fullest potential. Thank you again to all who supported this project. To God be the Glory!

2018 Picture Directory! Last chance to have your family picture taken for *free* for our upcoming Picture Directory. We have available times on Saturday March 24th and Saturday, March 31st from 11am-3pm. No need to sign-up, just stop by and bring your smiles. Otherwise, you are welcome to email a digital picture to the church office at church@stjohnsjuneau.org or bring a copy of your photo to the church office to be scanned.

Every Member Visits: You are invited to attend an Every Member Visits in the church office. *What is an Every Member Visit?* Each family has the opportunity to meet with our pastors and discuss their thoughts, comments, concerns, and have encouragement in God’s Word. St. John’s members also help the pastors get to know the them and vice versa. We will receive a clear overview of our ministry, better understanding of the gifts God has given us and also have time in God’s Word and prayer. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Each family is encouraged to sign-up for a timeslot (children are welcome to attend).

Voter's Meeting Schedule for Today, March 11 at Noon.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Mission Church in Horicon?

Second-Site in Horicon?

Two Campuses - one church?

A church that is almost 150 years old becoming a mission church?

This vote could be historic! Don't miss it.

Since 2016 our church has been exploring the idea and possibility of starting a mission church in Horicon, yes Horicon, the one 5 miles down the road from our current city.

Why?

The goal is to grow the kingdom of God by going into our neighboring city and proclaiming the gospel. In doing so, God willing, more people will come to faith in Jesus as their savior from sin and be saved.

Come to the Voter's meeting at noon today.

St. John's – Juneau
400 S Main St
Juneau, WI 53039
Worship with Us...
Thursday 6:30 PM
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM



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PROPOSED...

St. John's – Horicon
716 Clinton St
Horicon, WI 53032
(Koepsell-Murray Funeral
Home Building)
Worship with Us...
Saturday 5:00 PM

THE **Big BAD** Musical

A HOWLING COURTROOM COMEDY



St. John's School Musical **"Big Bad Musical"**

Our school musical will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 6 & 7. Performance times are Friday night at 7:00 P.M. and Saturday at 2:00 P.M. & 6:00 P.M. Tickets are \$4.00 in advance and \$5.00 at door. Tickets will go on sale starting Sunday, March 11th. Tickets will be available for purchase at church: Sunday, March 11, 18 & 25 — between services in the church basement. NO SALES on Easter Sunday. Tickets will be also be available at school: Monday through Thursday, 8:00 A.M. to noon and all day on Fridays. You may buy them at school or call the school office at 920-386-4644 during that time to reserve your tickets. You may also email school to reserve your tickets at school@stjohnsjuneau.org. Come and enjoy the show!

St. John's Weekly Schedule 3/11-3/17

Sunday

Worship 8:00 & 10:30 AM
Christian Giving Bible Class 9:15AM
Sunday School 9:15 AM
Evangelism 11:30 AM
Voter's Meeting NOON
LPS Sacred Concert 2:00 PM

Monday

Pastor's in Circuit Meeting
Nominating Committee 6:30 PM
Church Council 7:00 PM
Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM

Tuesday

Every Member Visits
Faith and Fitness 6:00 PM
Bible Study 7:00 PM

Wednesday

Worship 3:30 & 6:30 PM
Lenten Meal – Faith & Fitness (tacos)
4:30- 6:00 PM
Confirmation 5:00 PM
Adult Choir 7:30 PM

Statistics for February 28th

Attendance: 308 (221, 87)

Offerings given to the Lord 2/28

General	\$3,364.25
Missions	\$431.00
Improvement	\$5.00
Lakeside	\$15.00
Debt	\$90.00
Total	\$3,905.25

February Totals

General	\$52,602.36
Missions	\$5,579.00

Statistics for March 4th

Attendance: 464 (250, 214)

Offerings given to the Lord March 4th

General	\$16,124.33
Missions	\$1,334.00
Improvement	\$130.00
Debt	\$882.00
Lakeside	\$55.00
Total	\$18,525.33

Holy Baptism of
Caysen Jay Neuendorf
Parents of Dustin and Erin Neuendorf

HYMN 300 vs. 1-2

“See This Wonder in the Making”

**1 See this wonder in the making:
God himself this child is taking
As a lamb safe in his keeping,
His to be, awake or sleeping.**

**2 Miracle each time it happens
As the door to heaven opens
And the Father beams, “Beloved,
Heir of gifts a king would covet!”**

The Rite of Baptism continues at the font.

M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us: “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

Caysen Jay Neuendorf, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

STAND

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ: Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Caysen may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: Yes, as God gives me strength.

M: Let us pray:

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Caysen and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen.

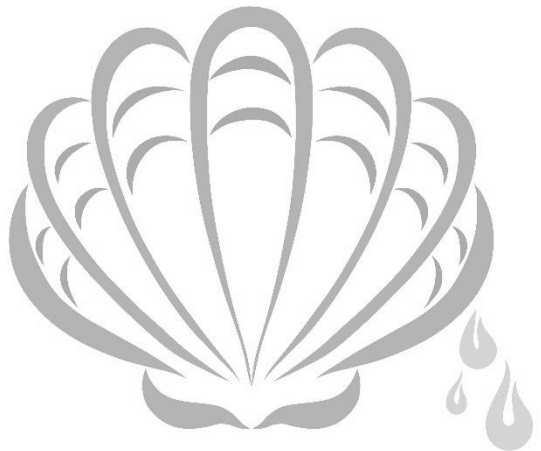
HYMN 300 vs. 3-4

“See This Wonder in the Making”

3 Far more tender than a mother,
Far more caring than a father,
God, into your arms we place *him*,
With your love and peace embrace *him*.

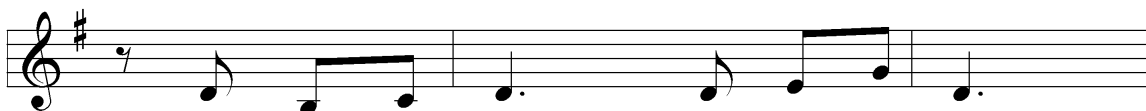
4 Here we bring a child of nature;
Home we take a newborn creature,
Now God’s precious son or daughter,
Born again by Word and water.

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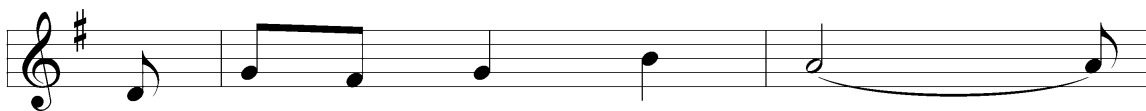


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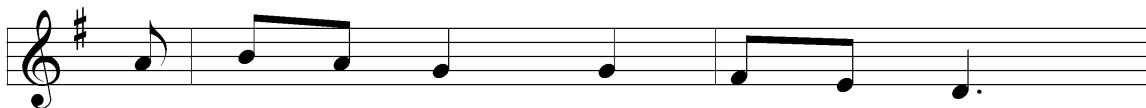
We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



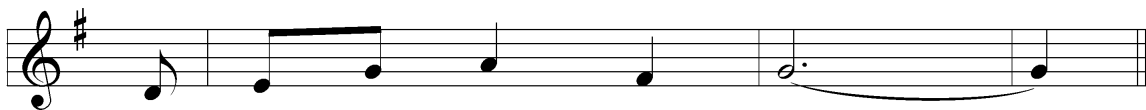
1 We walk by faith and not by sight;
 2 We may not touch his hands and side
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief,
 4 For you, O res - sur - rec - ted Lord,
 5 Lord, when our life of faith is done,



No gra - cious words we hear
 Nor fol - low where he trod,
 And may our faith a - bound
 Are found in means di - vine:
 In realms of clear - er light,



From him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
 But in his prom - ise we re - joice
 To call on you when you are near
 Be - neath the wa - ter and the Word,
 We may be - hold you as you are



But we be - lieve him near.
 And cry, "My Lord and God!"
 And seek where you are found.
 Be - neath the bread and wine.
 With full and end - less sight.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S

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 in our congregation. Please join us again soon!

INFORMATION

- Our ushers are here to point you in the right direction and assist you in any way. Please ask.
- Restrooms: our first restroom is located inside the comfort station/children's room by turning right outside the sanctuary doors. A second restroom is located left in the narthex, across from the elevator. Additional restrooms are located in the basement.
- We have two comfort stations/children's rooms if your little ones need a moment. Proceed left out of the sanctuary doors and turn either right or left.
- Children's activity bags are available and are located in the comfort station/children's room. Proceed out of the sanctuary doors and turn right. We also have Children's Bulletins. Please ask an usher for assistance.

PERSONAL PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Heavenly Father, I have come to worship you. Draw near to me in your gracious Word, and assure me of your loving kindness. Curb my wandering thoughts, that with undivided attention I may hear your voice and sing your praise. Amen.



Pastors:

David Brandt
Paul Schupmann

Principal:

Richard Cody

Services:

Wednesday 3:30 & 6:30pm
Sunday 8 & 10:30am

Bible Class:

Sunday 9:15am

Sunday School:

9:15am

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