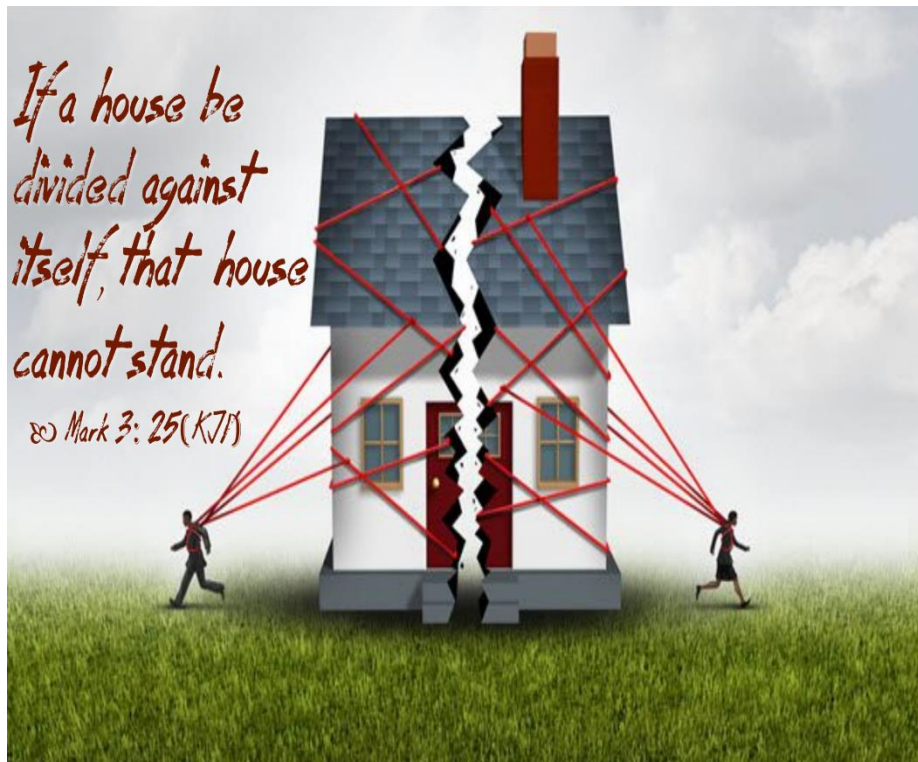


Welcome to Worship at
Joyful Harvest Lutheran Church

Growing Together for Christ

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June 9th, 2024

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

We worship in-person and on-line through Zoom and Facebook. There will be a link on our website to watch the live-stream on Facebook!
Stay safe and God bless!

Gathering

Welcome/Greeting/Announcements

Call to Worship

A: On an ordinary Sunday, we come to worship God.

C: We come, trusting God will speak to us; we come, hoping God will surprise us.

A: On this day, like every other day, we seek to follow Jesus:

C: We follow, believing Jesus will be with us; we follow, hoping Jesus will work through us.

A: On this day, we lift our souls to God's Spirit:

C: We open our hearts, that the Spirit may fill us; we open our hands, that we might be a gift to others.

Gathering Songs: Here I am Lord
Good, Good Father – CHOIR ANTHEM
Righteousness, Peace, Joy

Prayer of the Day

Word

FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15

⁸[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

PSALM: Psalm 130:1-8

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;

²**O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.**

³If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?

⁴**Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.**

⁵I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

⁶My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, yes more than those who keep watch for the morning.

⁷O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

⁸For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. ^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

P: [Jesus went home;] ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that.....

P: This is the gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Pastor Rebecca Gordon

Prayers of Intercession

A: "Merciful God", **C: "Receive our prayer"**

Offering: Friends, an offering is an act of Worship, given freely to share God's love through this congregation. You may come forward to put your gift in the offering plate, send your gifts to the church at: **5050 N. Johnsburg Rd., Johnsburg, IL 60051** or give online at www.joyfulharvest.org

Offering Song: Above All

Offering Prayer

Meal

Confession & Forgiveness

P: We live our lives, tiptoeing around the facts that we often say words we should never have uttered, we do those things we wish we could take back. Yet, you reach out and take us by the hand, so we walk together in the garden of grace. Let us offer our hearts, and our brokenness, to our God, who offers us mercy in these moments. Join me as we pray:

C: From the basements of our lives, we lift our prayers to you, Parent of our hearts. We are convinced we know who our sisters and brothers are, and so ignored those you long for us to embrace. Someone told us once that we had faults, and so we try to live up to their expectations. We are so intent on watching for all that could go wrong, we miss your hope rising just over the horizon.

If you kept a spreadsheet of our foolishness, Creator of your family, we would be in big trouble. But you do not let our mistakes distract you from walking with us in every moment. And so, we hear you calling us by name, welcoming us into your family of faith, as we seek to follow Jesus Christ, our Brother, reaching out to all around us. Amen.

(Silence is kept)

P: The One who listens to our prayers is the God who loves us. The One who knows our foolish lives better than we do, is the God who forgives us.

C: This is indeed good news for us. No longer do we need to wait, but can rush into God's gracious embrace, knowing that God will walk with us even when we stumble, will continue to affirm us, even when we're torn down by those around. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

Lord's Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus has taught us:

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

Invitation to Communion: *Christ is truly present with us today, especially in the gifts of bread and wine. God's table is open; we invite you to join us at the Lord's Table! After the choir is served, come up the center aisle, from front to back. If you are unable to come forward, please let the pastor or another worship leader know, and we will bring communion to you. If you do not receive communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing, simply keep your hands folded. The dark colored liquid is wine, and the light-colored liquid is juice. Please let the pastor know if you need a gluten free wafer. All are welcome!*

Communion Song: On Eagles Wings

Prayer After Communion

Blessing the Tijuana Travelers

Sending

Sending Song: Blessed Be Your Name

Sending and Benediction

P: Now, let us go into the world as God's children.

C: We will go to walk beside all who are in the shadows, for there, we will find God journeying with them.

P: Now, let us go into our communities as the family of Jesus.

C: We will walk with those who work multiple jobs; we will walk with all who raise children on their own.

P: Now, let us go into our neighborhoods as companions of the Spirit.

C: We will walk in peace with those who are so angry, we will walk with those who have been damaged by hate.

Commissioning

P: At Joyful Harvest Church,

C: our mission is growing together for Christ.

P: As disciples of Jesus Christ, we value:

C: Family Worship, Relying on Prayer, Unity in Christ, Instruction in the Word, Telling Others, and Service to God's Community.

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ!

C: Thanks be to God!

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Announcements

If you are looking for a place to worship with your family, join us any Sunday at 9:00 am! Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Visiting Pastor - On June 23rd we welcome back Pr. Dan Shutters as he joins us for Sunday Service. We thank him for being with us in worship to fill in for Pr. Rebecca as she has a prior obligation.

Report for "Diaper Duty!": From Jun. 1st–Jun. 30th, the Giving Closet will be collecting boxes of diapers. For every package of diapers you donate, your name will be entered into a raffle for a \$50.00 Amazon gift card!!! Donate 1 package get 1 entry, donate 10 packages get 10 entries.

First Wednesday Fellowship (July 3rd) - (FWF) At July's presentation, McHenry County Historical Society will be discussing one of McHenry's earliest pioneers, Alexander Hanly who owned an 800 acre farm on Crystal Lake Road. The presentation will include information about Hanly, his

family, the mill, the mill pond, his house and farm. They will also cover some of McHenry's early history and share a lot of historic photos!
Be part of Worship! Help out by reading, greeting or assisting in communion! There is a sign-up sheet for Sunday worship on the Welcome Table. No experience necessary!!!

Rides Needed! Volunteers are needed to provide people with rides to church on Sundays and special church events. Please contact Bruce Harmel (815) 670-7103 for more information.

Donate for Tijuana Mission Project! - Toys & school supplies! When our volunteers go to Tijuana, they would like to take some items that the kids can use. *If you see a backpack on sale, we can fill it with school supplies. Soccer balls or footballs that can be deflated, jump ropes, small toys, T-shirts for kids would be good, too.* There is a box in the narthex for donations. **See Ray Pratscher or Theresa Ancona for info.**

Men's Group: We meet on **Saturday mornings at 7 a.m.** at the church for fellowship and learning more about God's call on our lives. All men are invited to attend.

Joyful Readers Book Club: Do you like to read & are looking for a way to connect with other women? Consider joining the ladies of Joyful Harvest as they embark on this fellowship opportunity. We will be taking the summer off. Our next meeting will be in September. Watch your bulletin for further updates Contact Kim DuBois for more info!



Donate to help the ministries of Joyful Harvest! Scan the QR code on the left with your mobile device or visit the giving kiosk in the narthex. You'll go to our online giving page to set up a one-time or recurring gift through your debit/credit card processed through PayPal. Your generous gift will support our many outreach ministries. ***Thank you for making so much possible!***

Weekly Calendar

Tue. Jun 11	Breakfast Club at Midwest Breakfast	8:00 a.m.
Tue. Jun 11	Food Pantry Service Opportunity (JHC)	4:00-6:30 p.m.
Thur. Jun 13	Food Pantry Service Opportunity (JHC)	4:00-6:30 p.m.
Fri. Jun 14	Call Committee Meeting	11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Sat. Jun 15	Men's Group	7:00-9:30 a.m.
Sun. Jun 16	Sunday Worship	9:00 a.m.

Upcoming Events

Thur. Jun 20	Council Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Sun. Jun 23	Giving Closet	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Sat. Jun 29	Worship Around the Campfire & Potluck	5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Wed. Jul 03	First Wednesday Fellowship	12:30-2:00 p.m.

JUNE 9, 2024
SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



The will of God is for us to be a follower of Jesus.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Mark 3:20-35	Doing the work of God
Monday	Genesis 3:8-15	Adam and Eve hide from God
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1	Living by faith
Wednesday	Hosea 14:1-9	Plea for repentance
Thursday	Hebrews 10:19-25	Care for the community of faith
Friday	Matthew 8:1-4	Jesus cleanses a leper
Saturday	Psalm 130	Prayer of lament and hope
Sunday	Mark 4:26-34	The use of parables

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother. **Mark 3:35 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Beloved God, thank you for making us family with people near and far. Help us to care for your church throughout the world. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

God, thank you for all you give so we are fed. May we love you back from toe to head. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God bless you with hope and the steadfast love of the Lord. (Psalm 130:7)

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CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What activities bring family and friends together?
- How does faith in God affect our relationships with others?
- Being part of the community that follows Jesus—that is, being his family—is doing the will of God (Mark 3:34-35). How do you follow Jesus? How do others you know follow Jesus?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Genesis 3:8-15.

It is the story that describes the origin of sin in the world. The western church has generally described sin as disobedience. The eastern church has more often seen sin as being deceived or being tricked (Genesis 3:13). As rational creatures, we can justify so many of our actions and deceive ourselves or let ourselves be deceived by others. In Mark 3:20-35 scribes who had just witnessed Jesus' healing work described him as doing the work of Satan (Mark 3:22-29). The scribes deceived themselves by not acknowledging that Jesus was doing the work that was opposed to Satan. Think of how we deceive ourselves today and commit sin by denying the work of Jesus in our lives and the world. *Pray:* **Dear merciful God, cleanse us from our sins. Help us to see you and your healing and forgiving work in our lives and in our world. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

SERVICE

All who follow Jesus are made part of his family (Mark 3:34-35). As those who are made family members to one another through Jesus Christ, commit to some form of care for the church locally or around the world. Consider offering prayers for your brothers and sisters in Christ living in places where it is difficult to be Christian. Pray for the courage of faith for those near and far. Contact a fellow Christian to listen to them and offer your care, support, and prayers.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Recognizing our sin and need for God's mercy and forgiveness is a wonderful gift of faith (Psalm 130). The Jesus Prayer acknowledges our sin and shows that God has mercy on us, as sinners. It comes to us through the Eastern Orthodox tradition. There are three stages: pray out loud, pray silently, and pray descending from the mind to the heart. Use one of the following versions for the Jesus Prayer: **"Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner."** or **"Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us."** Pray this during the week and consider praying the Jesus Prayer in the future as well.



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Worship Around the Campfire

Potluck @ 5:00pm followed by Worship @ 6:00pm

Saturday, June 29th

Saturday, August 17th

Saturday, September 14th

2nd Annual Church Picnic

Potluck, Fun, & Games following Worship

Sunday, July 21st

Annual Chicken & Corn Roast

All you can eat fundraiser for Tijuana Mission

1:00-4:00pm – tickets required (see Mike or Ray)

Saturday, October 5th

EVERYONE REPORT FOR
DIAPER DUTY!



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JOYFUL HARVEST ARE
HOSTING A DIAPER DRIVE
JUNE 2 - JUNE 30



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