

St. John's Lutheran Church
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 4, 2026

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Blessing of the Blankets

(The green hymnal (LBW) will be used during worship)

- *Confession and Forgiveness p. 56
- *The Entrance Hymn ~ *I Love to Tell the Story* # 390
- *Greeting p. 57
- *Kyrie p. 57
- *Hymn of Praise ~ *This is the feast...* p. 60

Prayers and lessons can be found in Celebrate insert

- *Prayer of the Day ~ *in unison*
- The Lessons
- *Gospel Acclamation ~ *Alleluia. Lord,...* p. 62
- *The Holy Gospel # 403
- Hymn ~ *Lord, Speak to Us, that We May Speak*

Sermon ~ ***We Are They***

- *Nicene Creed p. 64
- *Prayers ~ *see Celebrate*
- *The Peace is shared
- Tithes and Thankofferings
- *Offertory ~ *Let the vineyards...* p. 66
- *Offertory Prayer

- *The Great Thanksgiving p. 68
- *The Preface
- *The Sanctus ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy...* p. 69
- *Eucharistic Prayer #33 p. 69
- The Lord's Prayer p. 71

The Communion Distribution

- *Post Communion Canticle ~ *Thank the Lord ...* p. 72
- *Post Communion Prayer p. 74
- *The Blessing ~ *The Lord bless you...* p. 74
- *Closing Hymn ~ *O Zion, Haste* # 397
- *Dismissal
- Postlude

Today

Communion: Georgianna Buchanan; **Elevator:** Mike Harshbarger
Greeters: Jim and Georgianna Buchanan; **Lay Reader:** Jim Buchanan
Sound: Ed Bilich; **Ushers:** Mike and Michele Harshbarger

Next Sunday ~ October 11

Elevator: Randy Harshbarger; **Greeter:** Nancy Penepacker
Lay Reader: Erica Hargenrader; **Sound:** Joe Kanagy
Ushers: Sue Lynch and Joe Kanagy

Pastor: Rev. Mike Sigler Ph. # 717-437-7007

Office Hours ~ Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10:00am-Noon
(Subject to change to accommodate meetings, hospital visits, etc)

Organist/Pianist: Rick Cole Ph. # 717-460-7831 or 717-310-4444

Church Office: 935-2032; **Email us** secretary@stjohnsbelleville.org

St. John's Christian Day Care: 935-2959

Our Mission Statement

*We, the members of St. John's congregation, promise to share
the good news of Jesus Christ, to worship and to love one another
in our homes, church, community and the world.*

Our Vision Statement

*To be people who are welcoming and encourage God's love in our
community through our prayer, devotion, benevolence and deeds.*

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
by Carolyn Conner in honor of her
children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Please remember in prayer ~ The Taptich family, Sandra Metz,
Susan and Bob Keller, Ann Peachey, Desa Keiser, Elliana Byler,
Samantha Smith, our members ~ Buck Metz (VVH), Patsy Carson
(Celebration Villa) and Betty Harmon (Greenwood Village).

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

TODAY Holy Communion ~ Blanket Sunday

10:30am Sunday school kick-off in the blue room

WEDNESDAY 10:30am Bible Study

6:00pm Hand Bell practice

7:00pm Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY 6:30pm Council Meeting

SATURDAY Pastor leaving for Synod trip to Germany

NEXT SUNDAY Ed Bilich leading worship

Pastor Sigler is accompanying the Bishop and members of the synod to Germany this month. They are leaving Saturday, October 10 and will return on Monday, October 19.

Ed Bilich is leading worship and preaching on the 11th and 18th. Pastor Ken Longfield is covering for emergencies and can be reached at 717-250-6696.

Holy Communion will be held again on Sunday, October 25 which is Reformation Sunday.

The October newsletter can be found in the mailboxes of those members who do not receive it by email.

Today is Blanket Sunday. The comforts completed this past year are displayed throughout the narthex and sanctuary. **Envelopes were included in last week's bulletin and can be found in the narthex.** Donations to support this ministry can be made through next Sunday, October 11th.

Everyone is welcome to the Sunday school kick off being held this morning in the blue room. Come and enjoy a cup of coffee, snacks and good fellowship.

Our Advent devotionals continue to be well-received, so we are "hopefully" going to compile another. The theme this year is *God's Perfect Timing*.

The Old and New Testament readings will show us God's plan from the promises and prophecies, to the fulfillment of them through Jesus birth, thousands of years later, at exactly the right time and place.

Volunteers are needed to write the meditations. A sign-up along with the scripture can be found in the narthex.

Please note ~ submissions are due by Sunday, November 1.

There is still time to fill a Seafarer satchel found in the narthex.
Please note ~ bags must be turned in by Sunday, October 18.

Last week's attendance ~ 27 Offering ~ \$ 1,380.00

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