



St. John's Episcopal Church



November 11, 2018
The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
8am & 10am Eucharist
Coffee Hour to follow

Today's Service Leaders

8am

Reader & Prayers - Ron & Lisa Alexander

Chalice – Ruth Schuette Usher – Roger Sommi

10am

Reader – Ivan Crow

Prayers – Vickie Richmond Hawkins

Chalice – John Roseth

Crucifer – Leon Veldhuizen

Acolyte – Cathy Veldhuizen

Ushers – Will & Ginny Fowle

Flowers – Joan Hannes

Counting – Brad Bollmann & Patti Schaal

Organ – Pat Metter

Coffee Hour – Travis & Audrey Jensen

Close Building – *Needed*

*The flowers on the altar are given by Joan Hannes
in thanksgiving for family, friends and the church*

Service Leaders for November 18

8am

Reader & Prayers – Roger & Evie Sommi

Chalice – Yvonne Schuster Usher – Ray Carlson

10am

Reader – Georgia Moen

Prayers – Dixie Terrell Wilhite

Chalice – Leon Veldhuizen

Crucifer – *Needed*

Acolyte – Lily Burgess

Ushers – Steve & Shelley Miller

Flowers – Cindy Royer

Counting – Georgia Moen & *Needed*

Organ – Julie Burgess

Coffee Hour – Patti Schaal & Dixie Terrell Wilhite

Close Building – *Needed*

A Gathering of God's People

All standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People And Blessed be His kingdom, now and forever.

(At the 8am Eucharist "Glory to God" is said. At the 10am Eucharist the hymn is sung.)

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Hymn

Before thy throne

Hymnal 574

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and

heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Ruth 3:1-5;4:13-17

All sit.

A Reading from the book of Ruth

Naomi her mother-in-law said to Ruth, “My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do.” She said to her, “All that you tell me I will do.” So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, “Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.” Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, “A son has been born to Naomi.” They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27

- 1 Unless the LORD builds the house, *
their labor is in vain who build it.
- 2 Unless the LORD watches over the city, *
in vain the watchman keeps his vigil.
- 3 It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late; *
vain, too, to eat the bread of toil,
for he gives to his beloved sleep.
- 4 Children are a heritage from the LORD, *
and the fruit of the womb is a gift.
- 5 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior *
are the children of one's youth.
- 6 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them! *
he shall not be put to shame
when he contends with his enemies in the gate.

Second Reading

Hebrews 9:24-28

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him..

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Sequence

Please stand as you are able.

The King shall come, verses 1 & 2

Hymnal 73

Holy Gospel

Mark 12:38-44

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.” He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon - The Rev'd Canon Ezgi S. Perkins

Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic 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.

Prayers of the People

All remain standing.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, sickness (including those on our

prayer list) or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Matthew our Bishop; for

Mother Ezgi and other Bishops and ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

Silence

Celebrant and People

God our Creator: During this transitional period in our congregation, open our hearts to Your Holy Spirit, and help us to discern Your call. Guide each of us to realize our importance in the process. Help us to identify and use our individual spiritual gifts to develop the purpose and mission You have entrusted to us in your love and mercy. Sustain us as a vibrant, welcoming, and patient community that is ready to invite a new priest to share our journey. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Please kneel as able.

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and
by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Peace

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

Prayers may be found on the bookmarks in the pews.

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn

Come thou font

Hymnal 686

Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to

give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus – said at 8am Eucharist, sung at 10am

S 130

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.
AMEN.

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

This is God's table and it is God's meal we all share in as God's children. Please feel free to join us for Communion. If you need a gluten free host, let the priest know at the altar rail.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn

Alleluia! sing to Jesus

Hymnal 460

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

A Note on Today's Readings

Welcome to our parish. As we approach the end of the church year, our readings from the Gospel of Mark deal with the final days of Jesus' ministry. In that period, Jesus was in direct conflict with the religious leaders in Jerusalem. In today's passage Jesus contrasts the simple faith of a poor widow, expressed by her generous giving, with the show of religiosity put on by the scribes and the rich.

The first reading today is one of the stories of the prophet Elijah. In a time of famine, the generosity of a poor widow who shared with Elijah the tiny bit of food she had left is rewarded by God.

The passage from Hebrews, which we are reading through at this time, deals with the eternal nature of Jesus' priesthood. Unlike the symbolic sacrifices of the old priesthood, Jesus' sacrifice on the cross and his resurrection and ascension has made him uniquely able to take away the sin of the world for all time.

The people of God in every age have gathered in the Eucharist to respond to salvation in generous and loving ministry to each other and the world. Made part of Jesus' own sacrifice in baptism, we are joined with his sacrifice in the Eucharist. Thus, our own sacrifices, like those of the two poor widows, are given the eternal significance of Jesus' own dying and rising. What is lacking in us through our own imperfection is made perfect in Christ.

Welcome to St. John's Church

If you are a regular worshiper or do not currently have a church home and would like to join our congregation, please contact us today with your name and address at

communications@stjohnswausau.org

OR fill out the form below and place it in the plate at offertory, or give to any usher. We also welcome you to join us at coffee hour in Memorial Hall every Sunday after service.

Our Mission

To restore all people to God and each other in Christ.

Name: _____

Family Members: (including children and ages _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Home Cell

Email: _____

New to the area?: Yes No

I'd like you to know that:

IN NEED OF PRAYER....IN NEED OF CARE?

Please let us know when you are in need of prayer and care.

Vickie Richmond Hawkins, Sr. Warden

Email: warden@stjohnsbausau.org

The Church Office: 715.845.6947

WHEN SHOULD YOU CALL?

When you become seriously ill, are dealing with a newly diagnosed disease or condition, or are hospitalized for treatment, surgery or rehabilitation. When you are experiencing a spiritual, physical, emotional or financial crisis. When you become concerned for the person who usually shares the pew with you because he or she has not been in church.

When you experience one of life's many transitions: a birth, a death, a job loss/change, a move, an empty nest, retirement, etc. When you need prayer and care but don't want to "bother" anyone with your troubles – please contact us anyway; you will not be "bothering" us!

Intercession List

Parish Members:

Betty Smith, Don Weinkauff, Alice (sister of Don), John Sukup, Pat Evenson, Barb Knutson, Peter and Betty Nielsen, Tatiana Ewenko, Jeff Buchholz, Evelyn Sommi, Carl & Sally Hertting, Tom Gallant, Jim Lapointe

Our seminarian: Erik Evenson

Others to Pray For:

Taffy, Joyce, Keegan, Marina, Jack, Michele, David, Krista, Griff, Ruth, Richard, Terrie, Beth, Diane, Karen, Sally

Bishop Godfrey and the Anglican Diocese of Masvingo, Zimbabwe (our companion diocese)

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