



Ninth Sunday After Pentecost - St. Mary Magdalene

July 21 & 22, 2018



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Worship Notes

Minor Festival: St. Mary Magdalene

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Prayer before worship: Almighty God, we are sinners who do not deserve your forgiveness and blessings, but we thank you that you have freely granted us your salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Like Mary Magdalene of old, may we cling to you in joy and love, knowing that by your grace you have saved us, and that your victory over Satan, sin, and death is our victory as well. Bless our time in your house that we may worship you in spirit and in truth. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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OPENING HYMN

By All Your Saints Still Striving

CW 552

Stanzas 1, 14, 3

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 2:1-10

Now a man of the house of Levi married a Levite woman, and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. His sister stood at a distance to see what would	happen to him. Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the river bank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her slave girl to get it. She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said. Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to	nurse the baby for you?" "Yes, go," she answered. And the girl went and got the baby's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."
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PSALM of the DAY

Psalm 73

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SECOND LESSON

Philippians 4:1-7

Therefore, my brothers, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, that is how you should stand firm in the Lord,	dear friends! I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to agree with each other in the Lord. Yes, and I	ask you, loyal yokefellow, help these women who have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with
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Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your

gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,

present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

GENERAL VERSE

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GOSPEL

John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!" So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter, who was behind him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the burial cloth

that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) Then the disciples went back to their homes, but Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." At this, she turned around and saw Jesus

standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. "Woman," he said, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

HYMN of the DAY

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

CW385

SERMON

John 20:1-18

THE MOST UNLIKELY OF SAINTS

1. RESCUED FROM THE DEVIL BY GOD'S MERCY
2. SERVING THE LORD BY GOD'S GRACE

APOSTLES' CREED

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OFFERING

PRAYERS and LORD'S PRAYER

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HYMN

Sing With All the Saints in Glory

CW Supplement 776

CLOSING HYMN

I Pray You, Dear Lord, Jesus

CW 510

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ORGANIST

Jeneane Thiesfeldt

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Sun	9 am	Fellowship Sunday
	10:45 am	Adult Bible Class
	7 pm	Vacation Bible School Meeting
Mon	7 pm	OWLS Event at German Park
Tue	9 am	Vacation Bible School
	4 pm	Oak Hills Living Center Service
Wed	9 am	Vacation Bible School
Thu	9 am	Vacation Bible School
	2 pm	Worship Committee Meeting
Fri	10 am	Sunset Apt. Service
	10 am	Women's Summer Devotions at German Park, 200 N. German St.

† Upcoming Weekend Services †

Saturday: 7 pm
Sunday: 8 & 9:30 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jul 29	10:45 am	Adult Bible Class
Aug 1	5:15 pm	St. Paul's Church Family Night at St. Paul's Church
Aug 3	10 am	Women's Summer Devotions at Hermann Heights Park, 14 Monument St.
Aug 5	11 am	Adult Bible Class
Aug 6	6:30 pm	Elders Meeting
Aug 7	4 pm	Oak Hills Living Center Service
	6:30 pm	Education Meeting
Aug 8	5:15 pm	St. Paul's Church Family Night at St. Paul's Church
Aug 9		St. Paul's School Registration Day
Aug 10	10 am	Women's Summer Devotions at Lincoln Park, 718 S. State St.
Aug 12	10:45 am	Adult Bible Class
Aug 13	7 pm	Evangelism Meeting
Aug 17	10 am	Women's Summer Devotions at Harman Park, 101 N. Garden St.
Aug 19		Fall Schedule Begins: 11 am service added
Aug 20		MLC Opening Service
Aug 21	4 pm	Oak Hills Living Center Service
	7 pm	Council Meeting
Aug 24	10 am	Women's Summer Devotions at Highland Park, 1627 5th North St.
Aug 26	1:30 pm	MVL Opening Service
Sep 3		Labor Day: church office closed
Sep 4	8:15 am	St. Paul's School Opening Service
	6 pm	Sunday School Teachers' Meeting
	7 pm	Women of St. John's Meeting
Sep 8	3 pm	A Time to Celebrate at St. Paul's School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance for the past weekend was 374 with 309 attending communion.

Fruits of faith given:

\$11,740	Home Operations ~ <i>\$14,532 is our weekly need</i>		
\$1,170	MVL ~ <i>\$1,118 is our weekly need</i>	\$300	Memorials
\$1,820	Missions ~ <i>\$1,648 is our weekly need</i>	\$205	Moving Expenses
\$1,880	Building Fund ~ <i>\$1,603 is our weekly need</i>	\$15	MLC Ladies' Auxiliary
\$5	Kitchen Fund	\$5	Prison Ministry

Thank You! ~ Dear saints of St. John's, please accept the Guenthers' heartfelt thanks for all that you've done for us this summer! You've purchased, prepped, and cleaned the parsonage. You were here to greet us and helped us unload the trailer, you helped us set up furniture and get settled (in record time!). You've been generous in your gifts to our family! You've made us feel very welcome like we're already a part of the family! (Not to mention the dozens of other things we're sure you did, of which we're not even aware.) And in all of this you've reflected the love that your Savior has shown to you, to us! And it is very much appreciated! Thank you so much from the bottom of our hearts! We're looking forward to getting to know all of you better and to serve you and to serve our Savior with you! Your brothers and sister and humble servants in Christ, The Guenthers.

Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting ~ All who are interested in helping out with VBS are encouraged to come to a meeting this Sunday night, July 22 at 7 pm in the church basement. We will be painting props, getting rooms ready, and tying together loose ends. If you have questions please call Pastor Bovee at 507-225-0158.

New Sidewalk ~ Recently St. John's had a sidewalk constructed between the handicap parking spots and the covered portion of the driveway. Thank you to Joel and Aaron Black, Shawn Heiderscheidt, Lyle Heiderscheidt and Kevin Schweiss for their work and donations to the project.

Contribution Statements ~ Contribution statements for January 1 – June 30, 2018 can be found in your church mail box. Please take yours with you today.

St. John's Service is on our Website ~ Please be reminded you can always find the weekend service on our church website at www.stjohnsnewulm.com/worship.

Registration for Vacation Bible School (VBS) ~ Please join us for Vacation Bible School which will take place on July 24-26, 2018, at St. John's from 9 - 11:30 am. This year's theme is: "The Heavens Declare the Glory of God." The cost is \$5 per student or \$10 per family. Go to our church website at www.stjohnsnewulm.com/news or our Facebook page: facebook.com/stjohnsnewulm for online registration. All of the information needed is included in the form. Please feel free to email Missy Hunter at missyann18@hotmail.com with any questions or if you have any problems using the online form. If you do not have internet, registrations cards will be available, but we would prefer that you register online if possible. **If you or your child (7th grade & up) would like to teach or help**, there is a signup section for helpers or teachers (The helper slots are at the bottom of the registration sheet). We can use you. Please feel free to pass this information to others. Hope to see you there.

Needed for Vacation Bible School (VBS) ~ Food Donations Please check the list in the new narthex to sign up for food donations. Thank you! **Fiberfill** is needed to stuff pillows for a VBS project this year. Donations of odds and ends of new fiberfill or quilt batting would be wonderful. Contact Karen Grunwald for details at 507-217-6229.

Fellowship Sundays ~ this Sunday, July 22nd, is a summer Fellowship Sunday. Stop by for some morning snacks after the 8 am service, continuing until after the 9:30 am service.

Summer Bible Class ~ The summer Bible class takes place following the 9:30 service on Sunday mornings. The study will be on the book of Hebrews. Even if you have not been in the class yet, you can jump in any time.

Family Bible Nights at St. Paul's Church ~ A study of the fourth commandment: in our homes, our churches, our communities will be on Wednesdays, August 1st and August 8th. The event begins with a picnic at 5:15 pm, followed by opening worship, Bible study, activities and closing. Come and enjoy food, fun and Christian fellowship. At the same time let the Lord bless your heart and home with the message of his love and goodness. Family Bible Time is for all ages. Bring friends. Sign up at: splnewulm.org/church/event/family-bible-nights/.

St. Paul's School ~ Hymnals Needed St. Paul's School is looking for donations of hymn books for the upcoming school year. We need 30 copies of the red Christian Worship - A Lutheran Hymnal. If you are able to help, please drop off at either the church or the school office. Thank you! **Job Openings** Permanent kitchen position available at St. Paul's Lutheran School starting August, 2018. Position would be a minimum of 2 hours per day from 11 am - 1 pm. The job includes serving, clean up, and occasional meal prep along with other duties. Contact Jenny with questions at 354-2329 ext 118. Please leave a message. Applications are available at school office.

OWLS Event ~ Monday night, July 23, at 7 pm at German Park for the Wendinger Band. The music will be followed by root beer floats in St. Paul's Fireside Room. All seniors (55 and above) of St. Paul's and St. John's are cordially invited. Let's come and get to know each other!

A Time to Celebrate ~ If you enjoyed the St. Paul's School Up on the Roof celebration last year, then you won't want to miss our next fall festival celebration, A Time to Celebrate! The event will take place on the school grounds on Saturday, September 8, from 3 - 6 pm. There will once again be an opportunity before the event to remember the School Building Project with your special donations. Please stay tuned for more details to come.

A Time to Build Campaign Update ~ Commitments continue to come in. So far, 93 families have committed \$388,422 and given \$37,480 to our new campaign that began in May. The total given to the two campaigns is \$2,298,682. The balance of the project fund after expenses is \$1,786,766. For this we thank God and thank you. Please keep the project in your prayers and your offerings.

Ice Cream and Pie Social ~ The Ladies Guild of Trinity Lutheran Church in Nicollet, MN, at 604 Main St, is inviting you to join them for an Ice Cream and Pie Social on Wednesday, July 25th from 4:30 - 7 pm. Other items served are BBQs, Ham & Egg Salad Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Pie, Ice Cream, Assorted Desserts, Root Beer Floats, Coffee and Pop. We hope to see you!

Campus Ministries ~ True North in the Twin Cities and The Beacon in Mankato are two opportunities for our young adults to be involved in God's Word as they study for other professions. Contact our Pastor to see who is serving as campus Pastor where you are attending school. There are signup sheets for True North in the Narthex.

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About the Cover ~ She sat outside the tomb weeping. It was empty, and she along with many others had forgotten the words of our Lord, that he would die, but rise again on the third day. But Jesus appeared to this most unlikely of saints on the day of his resurrection, and according to St. John, she was the first to have seen the risen Christ. What a day of comfort and rejoicing for Mary Magdalene, a woman who up until she'd met Jesus, lived a sinful life under the influence of demon possession. What comfort there is here for us, sinful people thought we are, and yet forgiven by Jesus who died and rose for us.