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The 40th Anniversary of the Joint Parish of St. John's and St. Peter's Lutheran Churches

8:30 a.m. ***November 15, 2026***

Hymn: 645 Built on the Rock

Stand

Confession and Absolution, LSB 151

Confession and Absolution ***LSB 151***

Matins, LSB 219

Common Versicles ***LSB 219***

Psalmody

Antiphon (Common) ***LSB 220***

Venite *LSB 220*

Antiphon (Common) *LSB 221*

Sit

Readings

Reading *Isaiah 55:6–9*

R A reading from Isaiah, chapter 55.

6"Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
7let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
8For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.
9For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts."

R O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Reading *Ephesians 5:15–30, 32*

R A reading from Ephesians, chapter 5.

15Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise,
16making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.
17Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, 19addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord

with all your heart, [20]giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, [21]submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

[22]Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. [23]For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. [24]Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

[25]Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, [26]that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, [27]so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. [28]In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. [29]For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, [30]because we are members of his body.

[32]This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.

R O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading ***Matthew 20:1–16***

P A reading from Matthew, chapter 20.

[1][Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. [2]After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. [3]And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, [4]and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' [5]So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. [6]And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' [7]They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' [8]And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the

last, up to the first.' [9]And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. [10]Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. [11]And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, [12]saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' [13]But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? [14]Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. [15]Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' [16]So the last will be first, and the first last."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Responsory ***LSB 221***

Sit

Sermon Hymn: 733 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Sermon: What God Has Joined Together... ***Ephesians 5:15-30, 32***

Canticle

Stand

Te Deum ***LSB 223***

Prayer

Kyrie ***LSB 227***

Lord's Prayer ***LSB 227***

Collects

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, You have promised to be with Your Church forever. We praise You for Your presence in this place of worship and ask Your ongoing blessing upon those who gather here. Dwell continually among us with Your holy Word and Sacraments, strengthen our fellowship in the bonds of love and peace, and increase our faithful witness to Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Collect for Grace

Stand

Benedicamus and Benediction ***LSB 228***

Hymn to Depart: 588 Jesus Loves Me

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