

St. John's Lutheran School

May 21, 2026



Graduation Service and Ceremony

Graduation Service

Gathering Rite on the Word of God



Invocation

Matthew 18:20; 28:19-20

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Gathering Rite Hymn

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word | 919

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at your Word we are gath - ered
all to hear you. Let our hearts and souls be stirred
now to seek and love and fear you, by your teach - ings,
sweet and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love you sole - ly.

Oh, how I love your law!
I meditate on it all day long.

Psalms 119:97-99, 103

Your commands are always with me
and make me wiser than my enemies.

I have more insight than all my teachers,
for I meditate on your statutes.

How sweet are your words to my taste,
sweeter than honey to my mouth!



2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est
dark - ness shroud - ed till your Spir - it breaks our night
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed. You a - lone to
God can win us; you must work all good with - in us.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking,
correcting, and training in righteousness,

2 Timothy 3:16-17

so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Yet so often we have despised God's Word and failed to gladly hear and learn it.

For this and all our sins, we bow before God and humbly ask his forgiveness.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



3 Gra - cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light from Light, from
 God pro - ceed - ing, o - pen now our heart and mind;
 help us by your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry your
 Church now rais - es; hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.

God gave his Word so “that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name” (*John 20:31*). The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.



4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, praise to you and
 ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we your Word may trust,
 con - fi - dent of our sal - va - tion, while we here be -
 low must wan - der, till we sing your prais - es yon - der.

Prayer of the Day

Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessings of the gospel so freely given at St. John's Lutheran School. As we end the school year, may the message of Christ continue to bear fruit in the lives of the students, families, and teachers. Lead us all, day by day, to rejoice in the gospel of forgiveness, to share that gospel with the world around us, and to live in its hope our whole lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

First Reading

Acts 4:12, 18-20

This school year's theme verses are printed in bold.

¹²Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

¹⁸Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. ¹⁹But Peter and John replied, "Which is right in God's eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! ²⁰**As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard."**

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



School Year Theme Anthem

I Love to Tell the Story | 746

The school students sing stanza 1 and 3.

The congregation joins to sing stanza 2.

The congregation also sings the refrain of stanza 3.



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 The Sav - ior of all peo - ple has brought his peace to you;
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
now go and tell the sto - ry, for oth - ers need it too.
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry be - cause I know it's true;
To ev - 'ry land and na - tion ring out the gos - pel call;
And when in scenes of glo - ry I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else can do.
pro - claim that Christ is ris - en and grants his peace to all.
'twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

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Devotion

Isaiah 41:8-10

The 8th grade class verse, Isaiah 41:10, is printed in bold.

⁸“But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, you descendants of Abraham my friend, ⁹I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest corners I called you. I said, ‘You are my servant’; I have chosen you and have not rejected you. ¹⁰**So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.**”

Class Hymn

The Lamb | 525

The graduates sing stanza 1. The congregation joins to sing stanza 5.



1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?
5 He rose, he rose, my heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.




Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!
His song pro - long till ev - 'ry heart to him be - long.

Refrain



Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me his



own! The Lamb is reign - ing on his throne.

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Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

Loving Lord, you have brought us to the end of this school year by your grace. We thank you for all the blessings you have given us in body, mind, and spirit. Stay with us in the days and weeks ahead. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

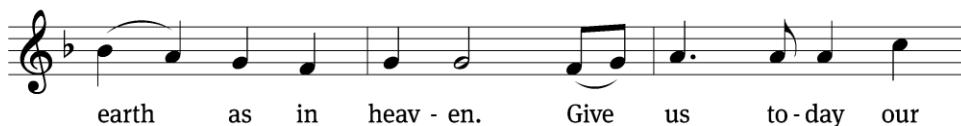
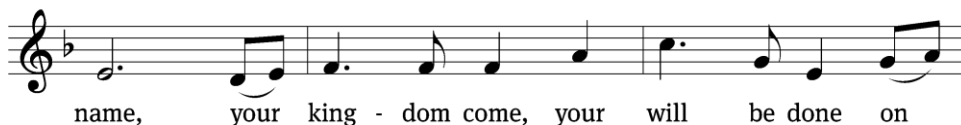
We thank you for Christian teachers, parents, and friends who have supported us this past year. May their efforts encourage us that we may continue to grow in faith, hope, and love in Christ Jesus. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As we end this year of our education, lead us to remain faithful in worship, Bible study, and prayer. Protect us from the temptations of the devil and those who invite us to join them in sin. Lead us to confess what we do wrong and forgive us for Jesus' sake. Help us to enjoy our work and our play and keep us safe from injury and sickness. Renew in us a desire to grow in all useful knowledge and in the wisdom that comes from you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, into your hands we commend all that we have and are and we ask you to bless us in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer *Pater Noster*

Matthew 6:9-13



we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.
 Lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de -
 liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the
 pow - er, and the glo - ry are yours
 now and for - ev - er. A - men.

Blessing *Aaronic Benediction*

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.
Amen.

Faculty Anthem

Be Strong In the Lord

Be strong in the Lord, be strong in the Lord. Trust Him in all of your ways.
 Be strong in the Lord, be strong in the Lord. Serve Him for all of your days.

Whatever path you travel, wherever you may go,
 God will be your Shepherd, you'll never walk alone. *Refrain*

Mountains may rise before you. Storms may be fierce and strong.
 Shadows may gather 'round you when the night is long. *Refrain*

Graduation Ceremony

Introduction of the Graduating Class

Mr. Gabe Malliet, 7th-8th Grade Teacher

Class Speaker

Emmerson Galgan

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. Timothy Schubkegel, Principal

Mr. Gabe Malliet, 7th-8th Grade Teacher

Ashley Faith Delimat

Emmerson Fay Galgan

Evan Daniel Galgan

Ashlyn Hayden Hart

Charlotte Christina Jung

Recognition of Service Anniversaries

Mr. Kyle Koldeway, President of St. John's

Sam Meinke – 20 years of teaching at St. John's

Tim Sonntag – 30 years of teaching (10 years at St. John's)

Recognition of Departing Staff

Ella Malliet, daughter of Mr. Malliet

Pastor Kirk Lahmann, colleague of Mrs. Sorensen

Mr. Gabe Malliet, Teacher – Accepted Divine Call to Shoreland LHS

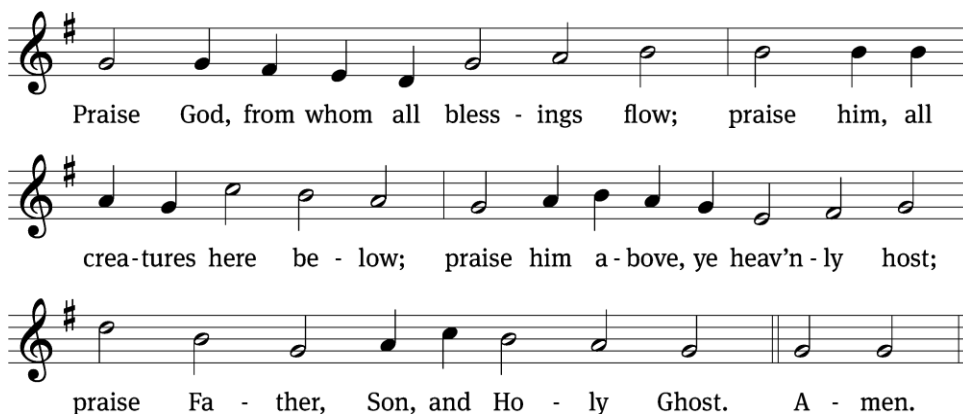
Allison Sorensen, Church Office – Retirement

Closing Remarks and Invitation to the Graduation Reception

Principal Timothy Schubkegel

Closing Hymn

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow | 617



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711.

Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551, ed. Louis Bourgeois.

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Serving at Worship

Presiding Minister: Pastor Kenneth Rodrigue

Accompanist: Allison Sorensen

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