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June 16, 2024 The 4th Sunday after Pentecost

St. John's Lutheran Church is a supporting congregation Calvary Lutheran High School, Jefferson City, 638-0228.

Green is the color of the season. During the Sundays after Pentecost, the readings reflect Jesus' teaching and ministry more than the major events of His life. We focus on our own life and growth in Christ.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated today. If you have been instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and believe that with the bread and wine Christ gives you His true body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins and belong to the LCMS fellowship, you are invited to join in this blessed Sacrament. Gluten-free wafers are available; speak with Pastor or an elder prior to worship. (If you are desiring to commune for the first time at St. John's as a Lutheran or you are a non-Lutheran, please see the pastor prior to the service).

Last Sunday, June 9, 2024:

Attendance: 86 (no livestream)

Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF: 22 / 18 / 2

Offerings: \$2573 / \$22 / \$345 (electronic)

Last Sunday, June 2, 2024:

Attendance: 76 (no livestream)

Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF: 15 / 15 / 2 Offerings: \$3032 / \$26.51 / \$657.50 (electronic)

Calvary Lutheran High School News and Information

SUMMER HAPPENINGS: What is going on at Calvary over the summer?

- Open gyms have been helping our student-athletes stay ready for their upcoming seasons this upcoming school year.
- Tuesday evening was the first Lemonade League of the year!
 Students past and present joined together to play Ultimate
 Frisbee.
- Yesterday was the highly anticipated Nerf Event! Games were arranged featuring Nerf Blasters (and safety glasses).

READY TO BE A LION! – As we prepare for the 2024-2025 academic year, we look forward to greeting many new students on campus! We offer an awesome high school experience with our caring faculty, safe Christian atmosphere, strong academics, and numerous activities and athletics. If you know a family with a high school student that would thrive in this environment, please reach out to them and us! The first new family orientation is tomorrow, Monday, June 17 at 7 p.m. We would love to share more about Calvary! Contact our office at 573-638-0228 or administrator@calvarylhs.org.

LEADING LIONS — Calvary Lutheran High School is seeking mission-minded individuals to serve as an Outreach Coordinator and another person to teach one credit of Art for the 2024-2025 school year. Interested applicants can contact the Calvary office at 573-638-0228. Resumes will be accepted until the positions are filled. They may also be submitted to Calvary at 2525 Route B, Jefferson City, MO 65101.

SUMMER FINDS AT CALVARY'S GIFT — Stay in the loop on items currently available or on sale at Calvary's Gift by following on Facebook! Their patriotic spread is ready to greet you! Hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. As you have time this summer new volunteers are always greatly appreciated! If you would like more information, stop in to talk to any of the volunteers.

SUMMER HOURS – Summer hours extent through July. Summer Hours: Monday – Thursday, 9a.m. – 3p.m. and Friday, 9a.m. – 1p.m.

SAVE THE DATE -

July 15 Youth Boys Baseball Camp *NEW DATE*

Today is the Ice Cream Social in honor of Fathers' Day. We still need workers, desserts, and homemade ice cream. How can you help?

Have you checked your information on

instantchurchdirectory.com? We try to keep updated addresses, phone numbers, and birthday & anniversary information. This directory is for you, when you need to contact fellow members of St. John's. You can add your own photo if you want, though we will be trying to get church photos taken this fall. If you have not logged in before, use the email address we have on file for you, and it will automatically take you to our church's information. That information is only available to our own members.

"I can finally perceive that God put some of the most difficult neighbors in my life at some of the most difficult times in order to bring me to the end of myself. Jesus didn't say that what God asks us to do would be easy. What God asks is impossibly difficult if God were not actually alongside us, helping us every step of the way. But the good news is that He is alongside us, helping us every step of the way." Donna Harrison, M.D., American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

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This week:

Sunday, 6/16	10am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF Divine Service Ice Cream Social
Sunday, 6/23		Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF Divine Service

Confession and Absolution

586 Preach You the Word

- Preach you the Word and plant it home
 To men who like or like it not,
 The Word that shall endure and stand
 When flow'rs and men shall be forgot.
- We know how hard, O Lord, the task Your servant bade us undertake: To preach Your Word and never ask What prideful profit it may make.
- The sower sows; his reckless love
 Scatters abroad the goodly seed,
 Intent alone that all may have
 The wholesome loaves that all men need.
- 4 Though some be snatched and some be scorched And some be choked and matted flat, The sower sows; his heart cries out, "Oh, what of that, and what of that?"
- Of all his scattered plenteousness One-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat, And bears a harvest hundredfold: "Ah, what of that, Lord, what of that!"
- 6 Preach you the Word and plant it home And never faint; the Harvest Lord Who gave the sower seed to sow Will watch and tend His planted Word.

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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- ${f P}$ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 184

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us

forgiveness.

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins LSB 184

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution LSB 185

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Introit

Service of the Word

Psalm 92:12–15; antiphon: v. 1

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It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,*
  to sing praises to your name, O Most High.
The righteous flourish like the | palm tree*
  and grow like a cedar in | Lebanon.
They are planted in the house | of the LORD;*
  they flourish in the courts of our God.
They still bear fruit in | old age:*
  they are ever full of | sap and green,
to declare that the LORD is | upright;*
  he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness | in him.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
  and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
  is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,*
  to sing praises to your name, O Most High.
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Gloria in Excelsis LSB 187

P Glory be to God on high:

and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 17:22-24

²²Thus says the Lord GoD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. ²⁴And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

¹We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

¹¹Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. ¹²We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. ¹³For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia LSB 190

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Mark 4:26–34

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.
- Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁶[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

³⁰And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the

ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

 33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. 34 He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + verlasting. Amen.

Sit

834 O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

- O God, O Lord of heav'n and earth, Thy living finger never wrote That life should be an aimless mote, A deathward drift from futile birth. Thy Word meant life triumphant hurled In splendor through Thy broken world. Since light awoke and life began, Thou hast desired Thy life for man.
- Our fatal will to equal Thee, Our rebel will wrought death and night. We seized and used in prideful spite

Thy wondrous gift of liberty.

We housed us in this house of doom,

Where death had royal scope and room,

Until Thy servant, Prince of Peace,

Breached all its walls for our release.

- Thou camest to our hall of death,
 O Christ, to breathe our poisoned air,
 To drink for us the dark despair
 That strangled our reluctant breath.
 How beautiful the feet that trod
 The road that leads us back to God!
 How beautiful the feet that ran
 To bring the great good news to man!
- △ 4 O Spirit, who didst once restore

 Thy Church that it might be again

 The bringer of good news to men,

 Breathe on Thy cloven Church once more,

 That in these gray and latter days

 There may be those whose life is praise,

 Each life a high doxology

 To Father, Son, and unto Thee.

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Sermon

Stand

Offertory LSB 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Presentation of Offering

Prayer of the Church

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- In thanksgiving to the Most High, who has planted His Holy Word among us; and for the Church's healthy growth, that we may weather the storm-winds of this world steadfast in Christ, ever bearing the fruits of love and singing praises to His name, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- Profession For the preaching and teaching of God's Holy Word, that by His Spirit it may sprout and grow when and where it pleases God, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For Pastor Ketelsen, missionaries Micah Odemba, Gary Schuschke, and Charles Ferry, and military chaplains Jim Daub and Timothy Rosenthal, and all whom the Lord has called to proclaim His Word to the people of this world, that many more would hear and believe, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For this and every congregation, that God's kingdom may be extended and we may have thankful hearts to marvel at His work, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- That God would send faithful laborers into His fields to scatter His seed here and abroad, so in due time a harvest may be reaped for His glory, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- Pro our homes and families, that the Lord would make the efforts of parents to teach their children fruitful, preserving them in the saving faith of Christ according to His promises, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all the children of God as they celebrate the Lord's many blessings, especially for Emma Whittle (6/18), Andrew Kautsch (6/19), Josh & Adrienne Martin (6/19), H.F. & Doris Seidel (6/20), and William & Cindy Kautsch (6/22), let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For those in every need, <u>[especially Paula Scheperle, Cindy Eggen, Marquerite Young, LeeRoy Wunderlich, Larry Wunderlich, Bob Duncan, Erin Huff, Aaron Welschmeyer, Sharon Fischer, Addie Beinlich, and Tammy Deaver ,]</u> let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all who commune, that the Lord who abounds in steadfast love would give them a holy fear of His wrath and faith in His promises to receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- Por all God's servants who groan under the burdens of this earthly tent and long to be clothed with His eternal life, which will swallow up all mortal sorrow [especially those who mourn ______]; and that He would give them good courage to walk by faith and not sight, to mourn the dead in the hope of the resurrection, and to make it their aim to please Him while here in the body, until at last we are all at home with Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Gather us together with all our fathers to Your eternal household; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194

- P The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My 14 blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 197

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

Distribution

636 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness,
 Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
 Come into the daylight's splendor,
 There with joy your praises render.

Bless the One whose grace unbounded This amazing banquet founded; He, though heav'nly, high, and holy, Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

- 2 Hasten as a bride to meet Him, And with loving rev'rence greet Him. For with words of life immortal He is knocking at your portal. Open wide the gates before Him, Saying, as you there adore Him: Grant, Lord, that I now receive You, That I nevermore will leave You.
- 3 He who craves a precious treasure Neither cost nor pain will measure; But the priceless gifts of heaven God to us has freely given. Though the wealth of earth were proffered, None could buy the gifts here offered: Christ's true body, for you riven, And His blood, for you once given.
- 4 Now in faith I humbly ponder Over this surpassing wonder That the bread of life is boundless Though the souls it feeds are countless: With the choicest wine of heaven Christ's own blood to us is given. Oh, most glorious consolation, Pledge and seal of my salvation!
- Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, Truest friend, and dearest treasure, Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding: Humbly now, I bow before You; Love incarnate, I adore You; Worthily let me receive You And, so favored, never leave You.
- Jesus, sun of life, my splendor, Jesus, friend of friends, most tender, Jesus, joy of my desiring, Fount of life, my soul inspiring: At Your feet I cry, my maker, Let me be a fit partaker Of this blessèd food from heaven, For our good, Your glory, given.

7 Lord, by love and mercy driven, You once left Your throne in heaven On the cross for me to languish And to die in bitter anguish, To forego all joy and gladness And to shed Your blood in sadness. By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
Let me gladly here obey You.
By Your love I am invited,
Be Your love with love requited;
By this Supper let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gift of grace You give me
As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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601 All Who Believe and Are Baptized

All who believe and are baptized Shall see the Lord's salvation; Baptized into the death of Christ, They are a new creation. Through Christ's redemption they shall stand Among the glorious, heav'nly band Of ev'ry tribe and nation.

With one accord, O God, we pray: Grant us Your Holy Spirit. Help us in our infirmity Through Jesus' blood and merit. Grant us to grow in grace each day That by this sacrament we may Eternal life inherit.

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756 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me

Why should cross and trial grieve me?
 Christ is near
 With His cheer;
 Never will He leave me.
 Who can rob me of the heaven
 That God's Son

For me won When His life was given?

2 When life's troubles rise to meet me,

Though their weight

May be great,

They will not defeat me.

God, my loving Savior, sends them;

He who knows

All my woes

Knows how best to end them.

3 God gives me my days of gladness,

And I will

Trust Him still

When He sends me sadness.

God is good; His love attends me

Day by day,

Come what may,

Guides me and defends me.

4 From God's joy can nothing sever,

For I am

His dear lamb,

He, my Shepherd ever.

I am His because He gave me

His own blood

For my good,

By His death to save me.

5 Now in Christ, death cannot slay me,

Though it might,

Day and night,

Trouble and dismay me.

Christ has made my death a portal

From the strife

Of this life

To His joy immortal!

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Stand

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal LSB 199

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body

and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving LSB 200

- A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endureth forever.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Salutation LSB 201

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus LSB 202

- A Bless we the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Benediction LSB 202

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and +1 give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

892 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

1 Come, ye thankful people, come; Raise the song of harvest home. All be safely gathered in Ere the winter storms begin; God, our maker, doth provide For our wants to be supplied. Come to God's own temple, come; Raise the song of harvest home.

- 2 All the world is God's own field, Fruit unto His praise to yield; Wheat and tares together sown, Unto joy or sorrow grown. First the blade and then the ear, Then the full corn shall appear. Lord of harvest, grant that we Wholesome grain and pure may be.
- 3 For the Lord, our God, shall come And shall take His harvest home, From His field shall in that day All offenses purge away, Give His angels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast, But the fruitful ears to store In His garner evermore.
- 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come
 To Thy final harvest home;
 Gather Thou Thy people in,
 Free from sorrow, free from sin,
 There, forever purified,
 In Thy garner to abide:
 Come with all Thine angels, come,
 Raise the glorious harvest home.

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