

# St. John Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Schwer

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Our mission is to know, love, and follow Jesus that His Kingdom will be advanced.

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Prelude Nola Wagner

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship Psalm 117

**Hymn: I Come, O Lord #496**

Confession of Sins: Kyrie p.2

Declaration of Grace Psalm 103:8-12

## Old Testament Lesson: **Genesis 4:1-15 ESV**

Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD." And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary to you, but you must rule over it." Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground. And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth." Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is greater than I can bear. Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me." Then the LORD said to him, "Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

## Epistle Lesson: **1 Corinthians 15:1-10 ESV**

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you--unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

## Gospel Lesson: **Luke 18:9-14 ESV**

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and treated others with contempt: "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Here ends the reading of God's Word.

## **Congregation sings: God be praised - ed for His glad tid - ings.**

Confession of Faith Apostles Creed Gloria Patri p. 4

Children's Message

**Hymn: Is Your All on the Altar? #441**

Message Title: That Doesn't Seem Right

**Hymn: Jesus Loves Even Me #531**

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Benediction Ephesians 3:20,21

**Hymn: I Will Sing of My Redeemer #524**

Go in peace and serve the Lord  
**Thanks be to God!**

## This Week's Prayer Guide

### Shut-ins:

**Those in need of Healing:** Bill Adsit, Mike Adsit, Bob Buhr, Alan Carley, Pamela Breymeyer, Cooper Frerichs, Juanita Geiken, Phyllis Gibson, Norm Hansen, Pastor Steve Jensen, Ron Knapp, Matt Kreeb, Ken Lehmann, Viola Lucht, Diane Nehls, Elaine Reiners, Eunice Reiners, Verna Roth, Michael Schaumburg, Tim Schaumburg, Ty Schaumburg and Delbert Weaver

**Cradle Roll:** Braxton Grabow, Elle Heeren, Alana Jensen, Kennedy Pickett, Jameson Rogers, Charlotte and JoyAnna Steiner, Vivian Swalls, Riley Summer, and Austin Wilson

**Church Council:** Keith Roth, Quentin Schaumburg, Darrin Kregel, Steve Lehmann and Lynn Reiners

### Pray for our Government

**Pray for World leaders and those in authority**

**Pray for our US Military and their families**

**Pray for teachers (and everyone else in the education system), parents and especially the students**

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**Announcements**

**8-23-2020**

--Our Sympathy to the family of Fern Becker. Fern passed away on August 19, 2020. Burial at Schwer on August 24, 2020.

--Offering today is for the General Fund.

--NO Jr. Youth group and FLY today

--Men's Bible Study on Tuesday August 25 at 6:30 am.

--Adult Bible study this Wednesday 8-26 on Live-feed & Facebook at 7 pm.

--Next Sunday August 30 Sunday School at 9 am. Worship \$ Schwer Student Aid Fund will start at 10 am on Live-feed and Facebook.

--Sunday School will return to church premises on August 30, 2020 at 9 am.

--Sunday School Teacher appreciation dinner on August 30, 2020.

-- Next Sewing/Blanket Project Day is August 31, 2020. We are not planning a potluck for lunch, instead everyone encouraged to bring a sack lunch.

--Donations of school supplies can be deposited in the marked containers, especially needed are #2 pencils, notebooks, colored pencils, crayons, Kleenex and folders.

--The Water Improvement Project: Water jug (missions) in the entryway has plenty of room for monetary donations.

-- Attendance on August 16 was 60

--Items needed for the September calendar turned by August 28

