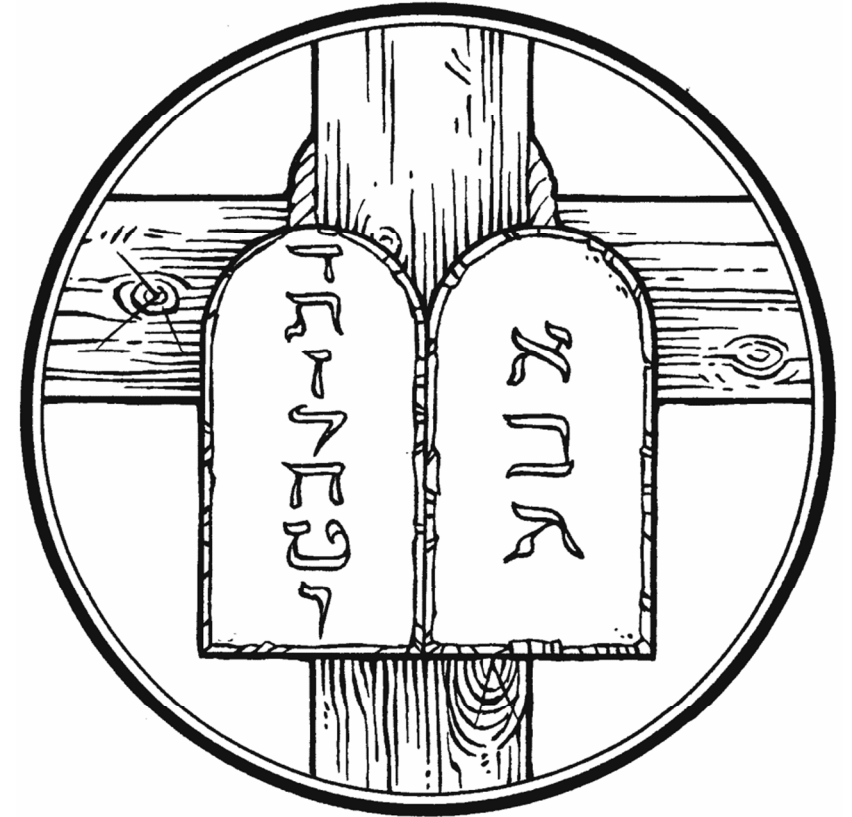


The Sunday of the Great Commandment



LUTHERAN HOUR.. airs at 6am on WGN AM 720 Sunday mornings. On October 7th the topic will be **"God Created"**. Guest Speaker: Rev. Perry Hart. Life is a precious gift. Guest speaker, Rev. Perry Hart warns against our culture's devaluation of life and calls us to see ourselves and others as precious people, created by God, redeemed by Christ. (Genesis 1:27)

WORSHIP ANEW.. airs Sundays at 8am on WPWR-CW50. On October 7th the topic is **"At Last!"** by Rev. William Mueller. Marriage. What does that word communicate for you? For the happily married it expresses warmth, love, acceptance, and togetherness. For the divorced, single, widowed or lonely it may bring other meanings. What does God have to say about this...and what about those not married?

SWEATSHIRT/T-SHIRT ORDER.. Orders for St. John's hooded, gray zipper or pullover sweatshirts, and long sleeved t-shirts, along with royal blue personalized warm up t-shirts are now being accepted. These items are special order and are not kept in stock so don't miss out. Orders and payment must be turned in to the office no later than October 5th. Show your St. John's spirit. These are not just for school families. Wear them with pride!

PTL NEWS.. Our annual kick-off fundraiser for the year is our *Walk-A-Thon* scheduled for October 12th. If you know of anyone who would want to be a sponsor, please contact the PTL at ptl@stjohnschicago.org. Their business name will be placed on each child's t-shirt which they may wear on all Friday's of the school year, and also will be placed on our website. Sponsor information **MUST** be turned in to the office no later than Monday, October 1st!

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK.. The primary cause of unhappiness is never the situation but your thoughts about it.

AROUND THE AREA.. On Saturday, October 6th Athletic Field Park which is located at 3546 W. Addison will be hosting a Fall Fest. They will have a Pumpkin Patch, Face painting, a petting zoo and much more. Join in the fun between 10am and 3pm. Portage Park will be hosting a Farmers Market on Sunday October 7th from 10am to 2pm. Join in the fun as they will have vendors on the NW corner of Long and Irving Park to offer locally grown produce, meats, dairy, baked goods, specialty items, prepared foods, and more

PASTOR CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE.. With on-site interviews scheduled, the Committee would like to announce that on Sunday, October 21st at 12pm there will be a special Voters Meeting to address the disposition of the Pastor Call at St. John's. Everyone is welcome to be at the meeting but only communicant members 18 years of age or older are able to cast an official vote.

LADIES BOOK CLUB.. will be reading *The Jungle* by Upton Sinclair. Sinclair wrote the novel to portray the lives of immigrants in the United States in Chicago and similar industrialized cities. The book depicts working class poverty, the lack of social supports, harsh and unpleasant living and working conditions, and a hopelessness among many workers. Please plan on joining them at the end of the month to discuss both September & October books.

SAVE THE DATE.. We will be hosting a Reformation Fair the afternoon of Sunday October 28th here at St. John's. There will be games and activities for all! If you are interested in helping or would like more information please contact Bonnie Mayrens at bmayrens@stjohnschicago.org.

THE CHICAGO BOARD OF ELECTIONS.. is looking for election judges to serve during the 2018 mid-term general elections on November 6th. Applications may be picked up at the Alderman's office which is located at 4754 N. Milwaukee.

OUR WEEKLY ATTENDANCE IN THE LORD'S HOUSE

Sunday, September 23rd
8am = 56
11am = 67
6pm = 12

| Our "Gifts of Love" | Week of: 09/23/18 | Goal: |
|---------------------|----------------------|------------|
| Contributions | \$3,992.10 | \$5,136.00 |
| Mortgage | \$778.00 | \$1,223.00 |
| Missions | \$101.00 | |
| Memorial | \$1,000.00 | |

SERVING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Preacher: Pastor Christopher Gillespie (8am, 11am & 6pm)
Organist: Mark Eggert (8am & 11am)
Fellowship Hour: Sunday School
Communion: Denise Sanders
The Trustee: Bob Anhalt (opening); Robert Kraak (closing)
Elders: Adam Neubauer (8am); Matt Pahnke (11am); Doug McLane (6pm)



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