

*Fourth Sunday of Easter
Good Shepherd Sunday
April 30, 2023*

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**Pastor
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PRAYER OF THE DAY O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Order of Service	Service of the Word, pg 38
School Children Song	"Have No Fear, Little Flock" (words printed in bulletin)
Hymns	339, 375, 348, 360
First Lesson	Acts 6:1-9, 7-2a, 51-60
Psalm of the Day	Psalm 23(pg 72)
Second Lesson	1 Peter 2:19-25
Gospel Lesson	John 10:1-10
Confession of Faith	Apostles' Creed
Sermon Text	John 10:1-10
Worship Theme	"Know, Listen, Follow!"

Welcome to All Thank you for joining us in worship today, and a special welcome to our guests who are with us. May the Word and promise of our Lord's love for us in Jesus fill your heart and soul with his peace. If you are a guest with us today, please sign

our guest book in the entrance area.

Prayer Requests Please remember the following in your prayers:

*Birthday and wedding anniversary celebrations this week.

Contact Pastor Sargent for any prayer requests and to inform him of any family members entering the hospital.

Also, if you would like a special prayer put in the bulletin, please contact Brenda Polzin or email the request to stjohngrover@gmail.com by Wednesday afternoon.



THANK YOU FOR BEAUTIFYING OUR CHURCH WITH YOUR EASTER LILIES!

YOU ARE MORE THAN WELCOME TO TAKE THEM HOME NOW IF YOU WISH!!!

WELS Connection We will be viewing April, 2023 WELS Connection at the end of the service today.

New Calendar The May, 2023 calendar is available on the pedestal.



Adult Bible Study Zion, Peshtigo will be holding an Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm this Thursday, **May 4, 2023**.

Everyone is welcome to join!!

Quarterly Voters' Meeting We will be having our Quarterly Voters' Meeting **TODAY**, April 30, after the service. All voting members are encouraged to attend. There will be an **Open Forum** for any questions or concerns anyone from the congregation may have.

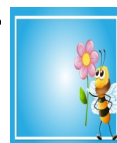


Installation Sunday On May 21, at 4 pm, Pastor Mielke will be installed as the new Pastor at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in

Crivitz (716 Henriette Ave). Pastor Cole will be preaching for the service. Following the service a meal will be provided in the Fellowship Hall.

Please consider joining us as we welcome our new Pastor. Any questions and/or reservations for the meal can be sent to Grace Lutheran Church at gracecrivitz@gmail.com.

Ladies Spring Banquet EXTENSION TO PURCHASE TICKETS!! Ladies of the congregation, daughters, friends are invited! **TODAY, APRIL 30**, will be the last day to purchase tickets from Lisa Sargent for this banquet .



 **Greeters** We are looking to start up the Greeter Program again. We are looking for volunteers to serve as our Church Greeters on Sunday mornings. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board by May 14 if you are willing to serve so we can implement it by June 1. If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Polzin (920-660-5801).

St John Quilting Group Our quilting group have displayed some of the quilts they have made on the balcony rail of the church. This group donates these quilts to the following areas: Our St. John shut ins, Bellin Health Marinette for cancer patients, Veterans at the home in Iron Mountain, Rainbow House for mothers and children from trouble homes, the homeless shelter in Menomonie and area nursing homes.



Members of the Group: Linda Rich, Janet Lange, Janice Holder, Rita Seefeldt, Natalie Madson, Sharon Bray, Shirlee Polzin, Joanne Johnston, Delores Schwittay, Kim Pelky and Eileen Pape.



Spring Clean-Up Day The Church Council have set Saturday, May 6 as a yard day for the church, school, and par-

sonage. Weather-permitting, please join us beginning at 9:00am to help spruce up the lawn and yard. Bring any yard tools you may have.

Prelim Budget Meeting Saturday, May 13, we will be having our preliminary budget meeting. Council members are asked to attend if they are available. It will be held at 9:00 am in the school.



Concert Choirs from Bethany Lutheran College (ELS) in Mankato, Minnesota will be giving a concert at First Trinity Lutheran Church (ELS), 920 Wells Street in Marinette, on Sunday, May 14 at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to join us. There is no cost for admission. A freewill offering will be gathered. More information in on the bulletin board.



Lawn Cutting The Church Council has budgeted funds for cutting the lawn at the cemetery and the school. We have two riding lawnmowers for that purpose. The areas that need cutting are the cemetery, and the school as well as the athletic field. We have the amount of up to \$200/each mowing time budgeted for the cost of fuel and a gratuity for those who are interested. Please contact Pastor Sargent if you would like to make an offer to help with the cutting.


LWMS The 60th Annual LWMS Convention is scheduled for June 22-25, 2023 in La Crosse, Wisconsin. The convention center is near the Mississippi River, which is perfect for the theme: Peace Like A River. The LWMS (Lutheran Women's Missionary Society) Annual convention will be offering informative workshops, keynote speakers informing us of the work happening in Latin America, Africa, East Asia, and within Wisconsin. Plus, we will hear




music by Christian music artist Stephen Bautista, and there is much more on the schedule. For more information, please see Eunice Kamps to obtain copies of the schedule and registration form, or visit www.lwms.org to register online.



Sunday School We are still looking for Sunday School Teachers. If you are interested in helping let Pastor Sargent know.

Bible Study Our Bible Study is called “**Grand Themes & Key Words**” Our lesson for this Sunday is called “**Persecution**”.  There will not be Bible Study next Sunday, May 7. Please join us for the “Confirmation Questioning”.

Seroogy Candy Bars St. John Lutheran Youth Group is selling Seroogy candy bars at the cost of \$1.50 each.

 *****SEROOGY’S HAS INCREASED THEIR PRICES OF FUNDRAISER CANDY BARS. AT THIS TIME WE STILL HAVE SOME LEFT AT THE OLD PRICE. BUT WHEN THOSE ARE GONE, WE WILL ORDER MORE AND HAVE TO CHARGE \$2.00 PER CANDY BAR.*****
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Homebound/Shut-ins Please take note of our members who are not able to be with us at our Sunday services. Remember them in your prayers and if you are able, reach out to them with a card or a letter.

“We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.” (1 John 1:3)

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Livestream Volunteers We are still in need of volunteers to help with the live-streaming. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Sargent.

2023 Altar Flowers Sign Up A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board to donate flowers for special dates in memory of a loved one or for another special occasion.



Weekly Bulletins You can now find the weekly bulletins on our website(stjohnpeshtigo.org). Go to the website, click on “weekly bulletins”, then click on the link for the bulletin.

Changes To better help us keep our records up to date (address changes, landline disconnection, cell phone numbers, family members move, etc), it would be greatly appreciated if you could fill out a form which is located in the rack in back of church. You

may return to any usher, Brenda Polzin, or Pastor.

Worship & Daily Devotions on WOCO The worship broadcast on WOCO AM 1260 today (11:00 am) is hosted by *Grace, Crivitz*. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by *First Ev. Lutheran, Green Bay* by Pastor Paul Schleis.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Those Who Joined Us in Worship 4/23/2023	133
Live Stream Service 4/23/2023 (Households)	10
Sunday School/Bible Study 4/23/2023	18/9
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (17 weeks)	153

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

TODAY	11:00am	Quarterly Voters' Meeting w/Open Forum
Monday	6:30pm	Zion Service
Wednesday	4:30pm	Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)
	5:30pm	Lutheran Pioneers Meeting (5:30-7pm)
Thursday	6:00pm	Adult Bible Study at Zion, Peshtigo
Friday	8:15am	School Chapel Devotion
Saturday	9:00am	Spring Clean-up
Sunday	9:00am	Sunday School/ NO Bible Study (Confirmation Questioning)
	10:00am	Confirmation Service w/Communion

Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "G" - Aaron & Erin Pape, Joel & Laura Rohde

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 4/9/2023	\$ 12,822.75
General Fund Income for 4/16/2023	\$ 4,123.75
General Fund Income for 4/23/2023	\$ 4,556.75
Total General Fund Income (43 weeks)	\$264,701.96

Church Offering Goal: Weekly@ $\$6,000.00$ (43 weeks) $\$258,000.00$
(Projection - $\$312,000$)

Total Church Offering Goal **Surplus** $\$ 6,701.96$

Tuition / School Choice (Projection - $\$188,632$) $\$ 35,307.50/\$111,286.75$

Included in General Fund Income Total:

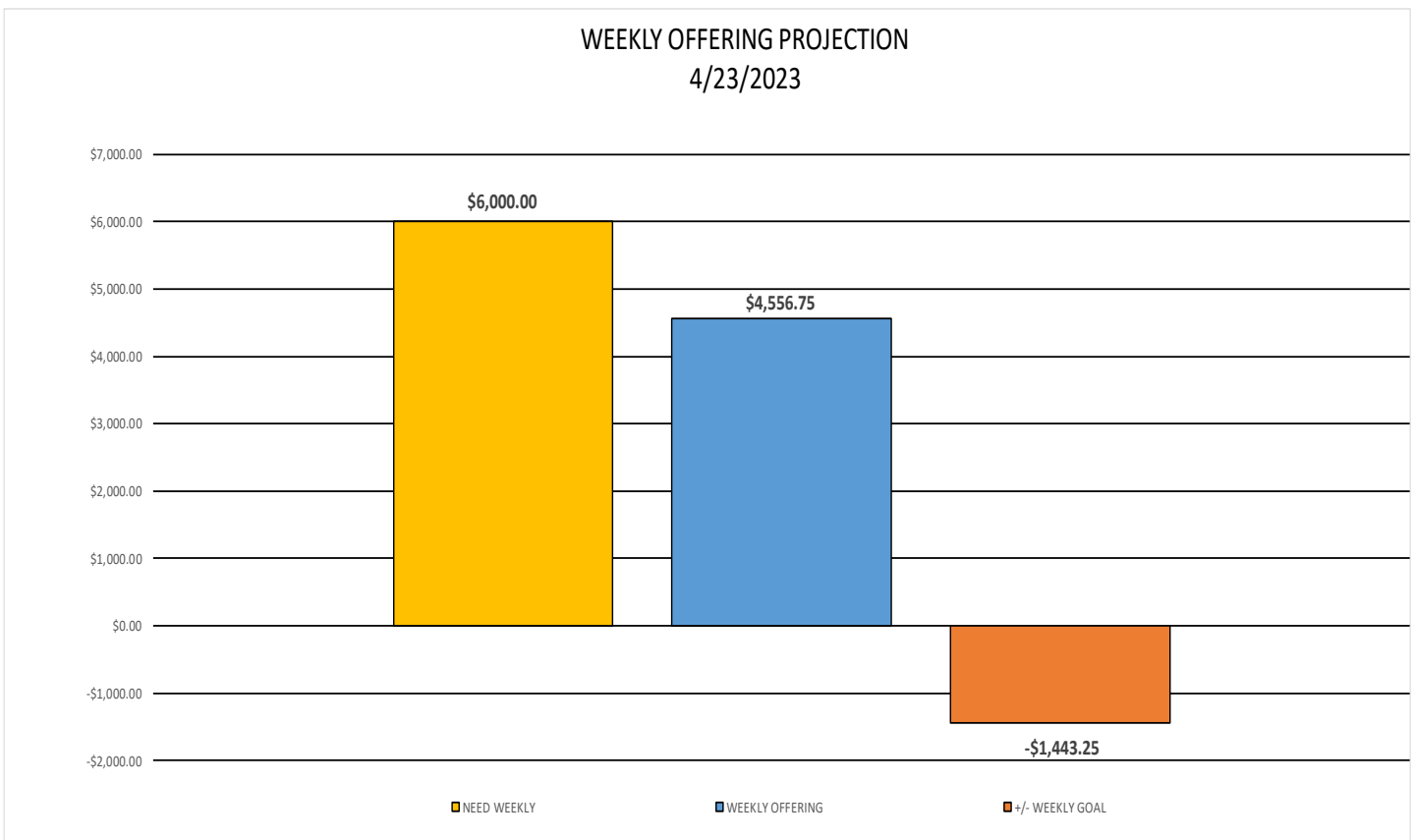
E-giving - $\$1,246.75$;

Special Gifts & Offerings:

CMO - $\$150$; Sunday School - $\$30.75$; Gym/Fellowship Bldg - $\$20$;

School Missions - $\$66.61$; Hot Lunch - $\$177$; School Undesignated

LARGER VIEW OF THIS BAR GRAPH IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD



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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

Thursday 7:30am-2:30pm

Link to Electronic giving page.

Just scan with your phone.



School News

- ⇒ Thank you to our 4K - 2nd grade students for their recording of the song, Have No Fear, Little Flock this morning. What a joy to see the love these precious lambs have for Jesus, our Good Shepherd.
- ⇒ A tremendous thank you to everyone who made our Family Entertainment Night a great success. A special thank you to the teachers and students who worked so hard to provide us with an evening of entertainment. Thank you to our CEA for organizing this event, to all who volunteered their time and food, and for all who donated to the bucket raffle. A total of \$2,300 was raised to go towards new flooring in the Grades 3 - 5 classroom.
- ⇒ We are grateful to the Peshtigo Lions Club who provided a free vision screening to our students in Grades 4K through 8 this week this past Wednesday.
- ⇒ Lutheran Pioneers will meet on Wednesday, May 3rd at Zion Lutheran Church in Peshtigo from 5:30 - 7:00 pm.
- ⇒ Our school Track Day will be held on Friday, May 19th with Trinity, Marinette. We are in need of volunteers to help make the day run smoothly. If you are interested in helping, either in the morning or afternoon, please contact Mrs. Sargent in the school office.



WELS NIGHT AT THE BREWERS

Back for another year by popular demand, WELS Night at The Brewers is on for 2023! Save the date and plan to join thousands of WELS members for an evening at the ballpark on **Friday, July 7** to watch the Brewers take on the Reds.

Tickets for WELS members and guests are once again discounted up to 50% and are reserved together in all three seating categories. Individual tickets are available now and can be purchased online at brewers.com/wels.

New for 2023 – Each church that purchases a group of 20 or more tickets will enter a drawing to qualify for the opportunity to have a member from their congregation represent WELS Night by throwing out a 1st pitch prior to the game! To purchase group tickets and qualify your church, contact me directly to be seated together and save on service fees.

Please spread the word and forward the details of WELS Night to the pastors, teachers and leaders in charge of your congregation and school as you feel necessary. Get your church and school together to enjoy a relaxing evening out, catch up with old friends, and cheer on the Brewers! Thanks and see you at American Family Field on July 7th!

Registration is now open!

Registration for Taste of Missions 2023 is now open! We invite you to join us in person or online for a day of fellowship with our WELS home and world missionaries and volunteers from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on **Saturday, June 10, 2023**, at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, Wis.

There will be multiple opportunities for fellowship, a worship service to commission new home and world missionaries, displays from our various mission fields, and activities for the whole family! In-person attendees can sample ethnic dishes from various countries where WELS conducts mission work as missionaries present on their experience and answer questions about life in a mission field.

For those attending the event virtually, everything will be livestreamed for your participation. You can witness the commissioning worship service, hear our speakers from home and world mission fields, and try the ethnic recipes that will be shared online.

View the full list of activities for the day and register at tasteofmissions.com. Registration is \$15 per person, with children 13 and under attending for free. Those attending in person will receive food tickets to sample ethnic cuisine and can purchase additional food from the food trucks. Or attend virtually for free! Sign up today at tasteofmissions.com/register.

We hope you will join us!

WELS Home, World, and Joint Missions



FIRST LESSON

ACTS 6:1-9, 7:2A, 51-60

In those days, as the number of disciples was increasing, a complaint arose from the Greek-speaking Jews against the Hebrew-speaking Jews, because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. 2 So the Twelve called together the whole group of disciples and said, “It is not right for us to neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. 3 Brothers, carefully select from among you seven men with good reputations, who are full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom. We will put them in charge of this service. 4 But we will devote ourselves to prayer and the ministry of the word.” 5 This proposal pleased the entire group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas, a proselyte from Antioch. 6 They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. 7 The word of God kept on spreading, and the number of disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly. Also a large group of priests became obedient to the faith. 8 Now Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and miraculous signs among the people. 9 Some men who were from what is called the Synagogue of the Freedmen (Cyrenians, Alexandrians, and some from Cilicia and Asia) rose up and disputed with Stephen. 7:2 Stephen said, “Gentlemen, brothers and fathers, listen! 51 “You stiff-necked people, with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You always resist the Holy Spirit! You are doing just what your fathers did. 52 Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? They killed those who prophesied the coming of the Righteous One, and now you have become his betrayers and murderers— 53 you who received the law as transmitted by angels, but did not keep it.” 54 When

they heard these things, they were furious and gnashed their teeth at him. 55 But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed up into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 56 He said, "Look, I see heaven opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." 57 But they screamed at the top of their voices, covered their ears, and rushed at him with one purpose in mind. 58 They threw him out of the city and stoned him. The witnesses laid their cloaks at the feet of a young man named Saul. 59 While they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!" 60 Then he fell to his knees and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." After he said this, he fell asleep.

PSALM OF THE DAY

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SECOND LESSON

1 PETER 2:19-25

19 For this is favorable: if a person endures sorrows while suffering unjustly because he is conscious of God. 20 For what credit is it to you if you receive a beating for sinning and patiently endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and endure it, this is favorable with God. 21 Indeed, you were called to do this, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example so that you would follow in his steps. 22 He did not commit a sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth. 23 When he was insulted, he did not insult in return. When he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. 24 He himself carried our sins in his body on the tree so that we would be dead to sins and alive to righteousness. By his wounds you were healed. 25 For you were like sheep going astray, but you are now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

VERSE OF THE DAY Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me. Alleluia. (John 10:14)

GOSPEL

JOHN 10:1-10

“Amen, Amen, I tell you: Anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the door, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. 2 The one who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 The doorkeeper opens the door for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought out all his own sheep, he walks ahead of them. The sheep follow him because they know his voice. 5 They will never follow a stranger, but will run away from him, because they do not know the voice of strangers.” 6 Jesus used this illustration in speaking to the people, but they did not understand what he was telling them. 7 So Jesus said again, “Amen, Amen, I tell you: I am the door for the sheep. 8 All who came before me were thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. 9 I am the door. Whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture. 10 “A thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

Have A Blessed Week!

School Children Sing CW 442 - Have No Fear, Little Flock

1 Have no fear, little flock; Have no fear, little flock,
For the Father has chosen To give you the kingdom;
Have no fear, little flock!

2 Have good cheer, little flock; Have good cheer, little flock,
For the Father will keep you In his love forever;
Have good cheer, little flock!

3 Praise the Lord high above; Praise the Lord high above,
For he stoops down to heal you, Uplift and restore you;
Praise the Lord high above!

4 Thankful hearts raise to God; Thankful hearts raise to God,
For he stays close beside you, In all things works with you;
Thankful hearts raise to God!