



**The Evangelical Lutheran Church  
of St. John**

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Town of Grover – Peshtigo, Wisconsin

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**Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod**

*Transfiguration Sunday*  
*February 14, 2021*

**Pastor Daniel Sargent**  
**Jim Seefeldt**  
**Matt & Ronda Lemke, Kyle Seefeldt**

**Pastor**  
**Organist**  
**Counting Team**

**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.

**Large Print Bulletins** Large print editions of today's bulletin and Scripture lessons are available from one of the ushers. Please request one if it is needed.

**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 [stjohn-grover@gmail.com](mailto:stjohn-grover@gmail.com) by Thursday mornings.

**Meditations** The new meditation books starting February 28, 2021, are available in the rack in back of church and on the table. A free-will offering is greatly appreciated to help defray the costs of production.

**Church Officers Installation** We will have the installation of the Church Officers on Sunday, February 21 at the 8:30am service.



**Installation Service** Ms. Ella Loersch will be installed as our Grade 3-5 Teacher during the 10:00 service on February 28.

**Welcome Door Offering** There will be an opportunity for members to give a door offering as a welcome



gift for Ms Loersch. This will happen after the services on February 28.

**Organ Anniversary** Our church organ is 100 years old as of February, 2021. The service on February 28 will be one of thanksgiving to God and celebration. We have been truly blessed with a wonderful instrument that has edified our worship for 100 years. Because of the pandemic, we will wait to have a grander celebration in the future. The plan is to hold one sometime in September or October.



**Bible Study** Our Bible Study is called **Jesus' Parables and the "I am Statements"** Copies of the lessons are available from the ushers at church and can be found on the church webpage [www.stjohnpeshtigo.org](http://www.stjohnpeshtigo.org) in the News Letter section. The second lesson will be posted on our YouTube page on **Sunday February 14**. Please join us for this 19 Minute study where we will visit with the Messiah. The second lesson is titled; **"The Living Water"** (John 4:4-29)

**Sunday School**  
**Attention Parents!**



We are in the **Winter Lessons Schedule**. The Lesson for Sunday February 14 is **The Transfiguration of Jesus** found in Matthew 17, Mark 9 and Luke 9. Please let your Sunday School Teacher or Pastor know if you are having any trouble getting the lessons. We know this is a difficult time because of the pandemic. As of now, we are not able to hold in-person classes. We are very concerned about Sunday School want to make sure parents and children are getting the lessons they need. If you have any questions or concerns you can also call Pastor Sargent (920) 228-1061.

**Click on <https://online.nph.net/ss-remote> to view the videos.**

**2021 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 Trinity, Marinette, by John Tesch.

**Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran**

Those Who Joined Us in Worship (2/7/2021)	42/19
Live Stream Service Logged in 2/7/2021	35
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (6 weeks)	83

**This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran**

**HAPPY VALENTINE’S DAY**

Monday	6:30pm	Zion Service
Tuesday	6:30pm	Board of Elders
Wednesday	4:30pm	Confirmation Class (4:30-5:30pm)
	7:00pm	Ash Wednesday Service
Friday	8:20am	School Chapel Devotion
	5:00pm	CEA Winter Outing @ Maedke’s
Sunday	8:30am	Worship Service w/Holy Communion
		Installation of Officers
	10:00am	Worship Service w/Holy Communion

Next Sunday’s Counting Team: Team “D” - Shane Seefeldt, Mark Kamps, Jenn Thompson

**Offerings for the Lord’s Work**

General Fund Income for 1/24/2021	\$ 4,809.08
General Fund Income for 1/31/2021	\$ 4,633.75
General Fund Income for 2/7/2021	\$ 4,925.68
Total General Fund Income (32 weeks)	\$233,303.81
Budget Needs Weekly at \$6,932.46 (32 weeks)	\$221,838.72
Total <b>BUDGET SURPLUS</b> in Offerings	\$ 11,465.09

Borrowed Funds for Current Operating Expense     \$     0.00

**Included in General Fund Income Total:**

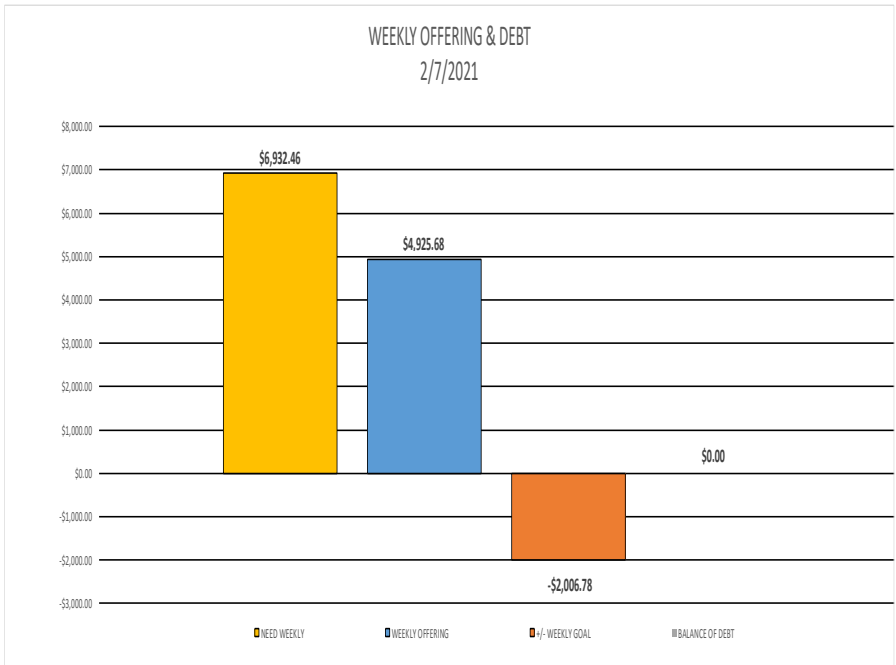
E-giving - \$2,268.68; Tuition - \$450

**Special Gifts & Offerings**

CMO - \$10; LYG - \$54; Sunday School - \$5; Debt Reduction - \$110; Gym/Fellowship/Bldg - \$15

**Memorials & Special Gifts Received:**

**LARGER VIEW OF THIS BAR GRAPH IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD**





## School News

- ⇒ The CEA is sponsoring a Seroogy Candy Bar Sale to help pay for an air conditioning unit in the Grade 3-5 classroom.
- ⇒ School Spirit Week is this coming week, February 15-19.
- ⇒ Our CEA Winter Outing will be held this coming Friday, February 19. This will be a Bonfire/Pond party at Cody and Johanna Maedke's farm, with ice skating and sledding.
- ⇒ Please help us advertise our St. John's Pre-school/Kindergarten Round Up which will be held on March 9 from 4:00-7:00 pm. Parents can schedule an appointment to meet with the teachers by contacting Mrs. Sargent in the school office either by emailing [school@stjohnpeshtigo.org](mailto:school@stjohnpeshtigo.org) or calling the school office at 715-582-4565 Monday through Friday from 8:00-11:00 am. Families with children who will turn 3, 4, or 5 by September 1, 2021 are invited to attend.

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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

Thursday 7:30am-12pm(subject to change)

**E-giving(Online Giving)** This is an optional program and you can opt in or out at any time. There will be three methods to donate to our church. Here's how:

**\*Go to our website-stjohnpeshtigo.org. Click on the "Online Giving" tab (right side of screen). That'll take you directly to our E-giving webpage. Click on "create profile" and follow steps for adding transaction. The church incurs fees for debit/credit cards. You can help offset those fees by clicking on the button "help offset" (first time setup transaction only). These amounts will be added to your annual contribution statement.**

**NEW FEATURE!!** On donation page, under optional - select from dropdown menu and put in name/message you wish to have applied to the donation.

**\*\*GivePlus Church (smartphone app) - Download the app through "apple store (i-phone)" or "play store (android)". Create your online profile and follow the steps for adding a transaction. Search for our church by either typing the zip code (54157), typing "Ev. Lutheran Church of St. John, Grover, WI", or turn your locations on and "search for churches near me". With this method you can also help offset fees the church incurs for ACH transactions ONLY(bank routing) by clicking on the button "help offset"(first time setup transaction only).**

**\*\*\*Smartphone thru a QR scan code. You must download any "QR code reader" app. Open the app and scan the QR code(to the right). It'll take you directly to our e-giving webpage. Create your online profile and follow steps for adding transaction.**



If you are a participant in this program already, THANK YOU!  
Information is in the back of church to help guide you. Please don't hesitate to contact Brenda Polzin(920-660-5801) or Dave Kaus(715-923-9494) if you have any questions or need help setting it up.



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**February 14, 2021**

**OPENING HYMN: CW 390 - Salvation unto Us Has Come**

1 Salvation unto us has come  
By God's free grace and favor.  
Good works cannot avert our doom;  
They help and save us never.  
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,  
Who did for all the world atone;  
He is the one Redeemer.

2 What God does in his law demand  
And none to him can render  
Brings wrath and woe on ev'ry hand  
For man, the vile offender.  
Our flesh has not those pure desires  
The spirit of the law requires,  
And lost is our condition.

3 It is a false, misleading dream  
That God his law has given  
That sinners can themselves redeem  
And by their works gain heaven.  
The law is but a mirror bright  
To bring the inbred sin to light  
That lurks within our nature.

4 Yet as the law must be fulfilled  
Or we must die despairing,  
Christ came and has God's anger stilled,  
Our human nature sharing.  
He has for us the law obeyed  
And thus the Father's vengeance stayed  
Which over us impended.

5 Since Christ has full atonement made  
And brought to us salvation,  
Each Christian therefore may be glad  
And build on this foundation.

Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead;  
Your death is now my life indeed,  
For you have paid my ransom.

6 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise  
To Father, Son, and Spirit,  
The God who saved us by his grace--  
All glory to his merit!  
O Triune God in heav'n above,  
You have revealed your saving love;  
Your blessed name be hallowed!

***Stand***

## **INVOCATION**

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C: Amen.**

## **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

### **OH, TASTE AND SEE**

♪ Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.

Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

Your Word, O Lord, is eternal;

it stands firm in the heavens.

Your faithfulness continues forever.

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.

Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

M: Let us pray.

M: Lord God, before the suffering and death of your one and only Son, you revealed his glory on the holy mountain. Grant that we who bear his cross on earth may behold by faith the light of his heavenly glory and so be changed into his likeness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

## **BE SEATED**

### **FIRST LESSON**

### **2 KINGS 2:1-12A**

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah was traveling with Elisha from Gilgal. 2 Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Bethel." But Elisha said, "As surely as the LORD lives and as your soul lives, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. 3 The sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD is taking your master away from you?" Then he said, "Yes, I know. Be quiet." 4 Then Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here because the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As surely as the LORD lives and as your

soul lives, I will not leave you.” So they went to Jericho. 5 Then the sons of the prophets who were in Jericho approached Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD is taking your master away from you?” He said, “Yes, I know. Be quiet.” 6 Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here because the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As surely as the LORD lives and as your soul lives, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. 7 Then fifty men from the sons of the prophets came and stood and watched them from a distance, while the two of them were standing at the Jordan. 8 Elijah took his cloak, folded it together, and struck the water. The water divided to the right and to the left. Then the two of them crossed on dry land. 9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Ask me for whatever I can do for you before I am taken from you.” Then Elisha said, “Let there be a double portion of your spirit on me.” 10 He said, “You have asked for a difficult thing. If you see me being taken from you, it will surely be yours. But if not, then it will not.” 11 While they were walking and talking, suddenly a chariot of fire, and horses of fire came and separated them. So Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. 12 Elisha was watching and crying out, “My father! My father! Israel’s chariot and its charioteers!” Then he did not see him anymore.

## PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm: 32 (page 78)

♪ **Refrain: Remember your mercy, O Lord; remember your mercy and love.**

♪ Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven,\*  
whose sins are covered.

When I kept silent, your hand was heavy upon me;\*  
my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.

Then I acknowledged my sin to you\*  
and did not cover up my iniquity.

I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”\*  
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

**Refrain: Remember your mercy, O Lord; remember your mercy and love.**

You are my hiding place;\*

you will protect me from trouble.

Many are the woes of the wicked,\*  
but the LORD'S unfailing love surrounds those who trust in him.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**Refrain: Remember your mercy, O Lord; remember your mercy and love.**

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## **SECOND LESSON**

## **2 CORINTHIANS 3:12-4:2**

12 Therefore, since we have this kind of hope, we act with great boldness. 13 We are not like Moses, who put a veil over his face, so that the Israelites could not continue to look at the end of the radiance, as it was fading away. 14 In spite of this, their minds were hardened. Yes, up to the present day, the same veil remains when the Old Testament is read. It has not been removed because it is taken away only in Christ. 15 Instead, to this day, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their hearts. 16 But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 18 But all of us who reflect the Lord's glory with an unveiled face are being transformed into his own image, from one degree of glory to another. This too is from the Lord, who is the Spirit. 4:1 Therefore, since we have this ministry as a result of the mercy shown us, we are not discouraged. 2 On the contrary, we have renounced shameful, underhanded methods. We do not operate in a deceitful way, and we do not distort the word of God. Instead, by proclaiming the truth clearly, we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

## **VERSE OF THE DAY**

M: Alleluia. A voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him." Alleluia. (Mark 9:7b)

**C: ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **STAND**

### **GOSPEL LESSON**

### **MARK 9:2-9**

2 After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John with him and led them up a high mountain where they were alone by themselves. There he was transfigured in front of them. 3 His clothes became radiant, dazzling white, whiter than anyone on earth could bleach them. 4 And Elijah appeared to them together with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. 5 Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." 6 He did not know what to say because they were terrified. 7 A cloud appeared and overshadowed them, and a voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him." 8 Suddenly when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus alone. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**C: ♪ Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## **BE SEATED**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY: CW 397 - Just As I Am, without One Plea**

1 Just as I am, without one plea  
But that thy blood was shed for me  
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2 Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

3 Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea, all I need, in thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; thy love unknown  
Has broken ev'ry barrier down.  
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

**SERMON TEXT: MARK 1:40-45**

**THEME: READY, WILLING AND ABLE!**

40 A leper came to Jesus. He knelt down and begged him, "If you are willing, you can make me clean." 41 Moved with compassion, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. "I am willing," he told him. "Be clean." 42 Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was healed. 43 Then Jesus gave him a stern warning and immediately sent him away. 44 He told him, "See that you do not say anything to anyone. Instead go, show yourself to the priest, and offer the sacrifices for your cleansing that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them." 45 But after the man left, he began to proclaim it widely. He spread the word so much that Jesus was no longer able to enter a town openly but stayed outside in deserted places. Yet people kept coming to him from all directions.

**STAND**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

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

I believe 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 is seated on the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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 everlasting. Amen.

## **PRAYER**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

### **BE SEATED**

#### **HYMN: CW 520 - Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old**

1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old  
Was strong to heal and save;  
It triumphed o'er disease and death,  
All darkness and the grave.  
To you they came, the blind, the dumb,  
The paralyzed and lame,



The lepers in their misery,  
The sick with fevered frame.

2 Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health,  
Gave speech and strength and sight;  
And youth renewed and frenzy calmed  
Revealed you, Lord of light.  
And now, O Lord, be near to bless,  
Almighty as before,  
In crowded street, by beds of pain,  
As by Gennes'ret's shore.

3 Oh, be our great deliv'rer still,  
The Lord of life and death;  
Restore and quicken, soothe and bless,  
With your life-giving breath.  
To hands that work and eyes that see  
Give wisdom's healing pow'r  
That whole and sick and weak and strong  
May praise you evermore.

### **Stand**

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: ♪ Amen.**

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.

**C: ♪ Amen. Amen. Amen.**

## **BE SEATED**

### **CLOSING HYMN: CW 562 - I Love to Tell the Story**

1 I love to tell the story  
Of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and his glory,  
Of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story  
Because I know it's true;  
It satisfies my longings  
As nothing else can do.

#### **Refrain:**

**I love to tell the story;  
'Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story  
Of Jesus and his love.**

2 I love to tell the story,  
For those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting  
To hear it like the rest.  
And when in scenes of glory  
I sing the new, new song,  
'Twill be the old, old story  
That I have loved so long.

#### **Refrain:**

**I love to tell the story;  
'Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story  
Of Jesus and his love.**

# Have A Blessed Week!



