

Second Sunday of Lent
February 25, 2024

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Jim Seefeldt

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Aaron & Erin Pape, Joel & Laura Rohde

Pastor

Organist

Greeters

Counting Team

PRAYER OF THE DAY Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Order of Service

Hymns

First Lesson

Choir Song

Second Lesson

Gospel Lesson

Confession of Faith

Sermon Text

Worship Theme

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Genesis 28:10-17

“How Beautiful”

Romans 5:1-11

Mark 8:31-38

Apostles’ Creed

Mark 8:31-38

“Wakeup Call!”

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:

*Family and Friends of Kathy VanHecke who mourn her death.

*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.

New Calendar The March, 2024 calendar is available on the pedestal.

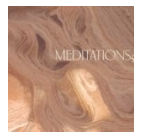


WELS Connection We will be viewing the February, 2024 WELS Connection at the end of the service today.



Special Voters' Meeting The Church Council is requesting a Special Voters' Meeting **TODAY**, February 25, 2024 after the service. The discussion would be to call another teacher for the 2024-2025 school year because of the growing number of students in each grade. All voting members of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

Meditation Books The new meditation books starting March 3, 2024 are available on the table. A free-will offering is greatly appreciated to help defray the costs of production.



Lenten Services We continue with our Mid-Week Lenten Services on Wednesday at 2:00pm. We are exchanging pulpits with area churches with Pastor Paul Cole preaching at St. John this week.

Grief Support Group Grace Lutheran, Crivitz is doing a Grief

Share Group. Grief Share is an opportunity for help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend. The support group will consist of a video seminar by grief recovery experts connected with truths from the Bible, small group discussion and a personal workbook with daily exercises. Our Grief Share group will meet weekly on Thursdays from 6-7:30 p.m. Come or invite a friend that could use a grief support group.



Seroogy Candy Bars St. John Lutheran Youth Group is selling Seroogy candy bars once again at the cost of \$2.00 each.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Bible Study Our Bible Study is called “**Grand Themes & Key Words**”. This Sunday we will we will look at what is meant by the important symbol of, “**Idolatry and Adultery**”. Next Sunday we will look at “**Light and Darkness**”. Please come and join us for this study at 9:00.



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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2024 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 *St. John, Grover*. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by *Our Savior/St. Mark, Lena/Spruce* by Pastor Ryan Landwehr.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Ash Wednesday Service/Livestream 2/14/2024

53/5

Those Who Joined Us in Worship 2/18/2021

142

Live Stream Service 2/18/2024 (Households)	18
Sunday School/Bible Study 2/18/2024	17/8
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (weeks)	147

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

TODAY	Special Voters' Meeting after the service
Monday	6:30pm Zion Service
Tuesday	6:30pm Board of Education
Wednesday	2:00pm Mid-week Lenten Service (Cole) 4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-5:30pm)
Thursday	6:00pm Grief Share Group @ Grace, Crivitz (6-7:30)
Friday	8:15am School Chapel Devotion 5:30pm Pre-K/K Round-Up (5:30-7pm)
Sunday	9:00am Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00am Worship Service w/Communion

Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "A" - Dan Maedke, Randy & Brenda Polzin, Lisa Sargent

Next Sunday's Greeters: Sally Motkowski & Sue Mylener

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 2/4/2024	\$ 5,232.50
General Fund Income for 2/11/2024	\$ 9,009.75
General Fund Income for 2/18/2024	\$ 5,427.75
Total General Fund Income (34 weeks)	\$201,486.55
Church Offering Goal: Weekly@\$6,174.50 (34 weeks)	\$209,933.00
(Projection - \$321,074)	
Total Church Offering Goal Deficit	-\$ 8,446.45
Tuition/School Choice (Projection - \$253,424)	\$39,249.81/\$128,609.00

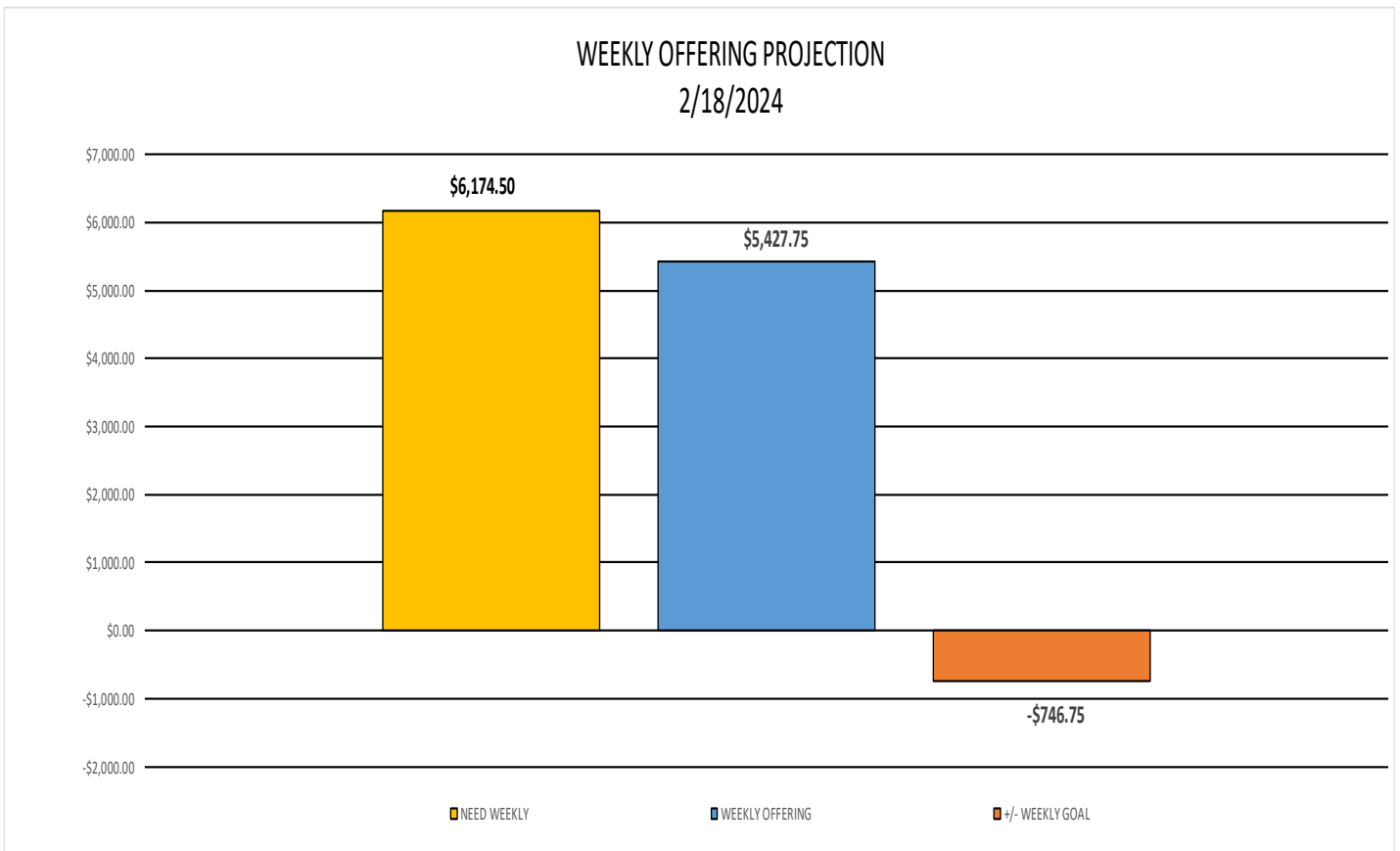
Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$2,036.75

Special Gifts & Offerings:

Sunday School Missions - \$3; LYG - \$70; School Missions - \$45.87; Hot Lunch - \$76; Future Church Workers(WELS Extension Fund) - \$8.27

Memorials & Special Gifts Received



School News

- ⇒ There will be a joint Parent/Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, February 27 at 6:30 pm. All St. John school parents are encouraged to attend.
- ⇒ Our annual Preschool/Kindergarten Round-up will be this Thursday, February 29 from 5:30 - 7:00 pm. Our 4K has already filled up, but there are still spaces available in 3K and Kindergarten. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Sargent in the school office or email school@stjohnpeshtigo.org.
- ⇒ Our St. John CEA will once again be holding a Seroogy Candy Bar Sale to help raise money to go towards redoing the flooring in another classroom this summer. Many of our students and their families will be selling these candy bars for \$2 each. We are grateful for their support and effort.
- ⇒ St. John is now part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP). Open enrollment began Thursday, February 1 and ends Thursday, April 18. Parents who would like to apply for the 2024-2025 school year can contact our School Choice Administrator Hannah Langebartels at choicadmin@stjohnpeshtigo.org or (414) 758-8607 for more information.

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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.**



FIRST LESSON**GENESIS 28:10–17**

10 Jacob set out from Beersheba and traveled toward Haran. 11 He came to a certain place and decided to spend the night there, because the sun had set. He took one of the stones from that place, put it under his head, and lay down to sleep in that place. 12 He had a dream in which he saw a stairway set up on the earth with its top reaching to heaven. There were angels of God ascending and descending on it. 13 There at the top stood the LORD, who said, “I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. The land on which you are lying, I give to you and to your descendants. 14 Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south. In you and in your seed all the families of the earth will be blessed. 15 Now, I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back again into this land. Indeed, I will not leave you, until I have done what I have promised to you.” 16 Jacob woke up from his sleep, and he said, “Certainly the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it.” 17 He was afraid and he said, “How awe-inspiring is this place! This is nothing other than the house of God, and this is the gate to heaven.”

CHOIR SONG**“HOW BEAUTIFUL”****SECOND LESSON****ROMANS 5:1–11**

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Through him we also have obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand. And we rejoice confidently on the basis of our hope for the glory of God. 3 Not only this, but we also rejoice confidently in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces patient endurance, 4 and patient endurance produces tested character, and tested character produces hope. 5 And hope will not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, who was given to us. 6 For at the appointed time, while we were still helpless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 It is rare indeed that someone will die for a righteous person. Perhaps someone might actually go so far as to die for a person who has been good to him. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, it is even more certain that we will be saved from God's wrath through him. 10 For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, it is even more certain that, since we have been reconciled, we will be saved by his life. 11 And not only is this so, but we also go on rejoicing confidently in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received this reconciliation.

VERSE OF THE DAY Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. (Philippians 2:8b cf. NIV)

GOSPEL

MARK 8:31–38

31 Jesus began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things; be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the experts in the law; be killed; and after three days rise again. 32 He was speaking plainly to them. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But after turning around and looking at his disciples, Jesus rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! You do not have your mind set on the things of God, but the things of men.” 34 He called the crowd and his disciples together and said to them, “If anyone wants to follow me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. 35 For whoever wants to save his life will lose it. But whoever loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. 36 After all, what good is it for a man to gain the whole world and yet forfeit his soul? 37 Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul? 38 In fact, whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!!!

150th Anniversary of the Ev. Lutheran Church of St John

Rev. Carl Heubner from the Wisconsin Synod was sent to serve Lutheran immigrants who had organized congregations in Marinette County. One group was started in 1870 called the German Lutheran Congregation of Peshtigo and Surrounding Territory. On October 8, 1871 the Peshtigo Fire devoured all of Peshtigo and the surrounding territory. The homes, barns, cattle, belongings, and the church building of these members were reduced to ashes. Many lost husbands, wives, and children. Those who survived took courage and wanted a new start for their church. On January 1, 1874 a new congregation was organized. The name they chose was the Ev. Lutheran Saint Johannes Gemeinde. (Ev. Lutheran Church of St. John) It was decided to build a church on three acres donated by Fred Warnecke. In August of 1876 a wooden church building was erected on the very site of our present sanctuary.

We will be remembering this **150th Anniversary** with special prayers on Sunday, December 31, 2023. The Church Elders have set aside the date of **October 13th, 2024** for a special Anniversary Service to be held at 4:00pm with a potluck meal after the service.

The Elders are asking for volunteers to help form an Anniversary Committee for this special service.



Wednesday Lent Worship 2024

Christ, Menominee 6:30pm

Grace, Crivitz 12:00pm

Our Savior, Lena/St Mark, Spruce 6:30pm

St John, Grover 2:00pm

Trinity, Coleman 6:00pm

Trinity, Marinette 3:30pm

Zion, Peshtigo 6:30pm

Calvary, Abrams Thursday 6:30pm



Leaping Into

St. John Lutheran School





- Tour our preschool and kindergarten classrooms
- Meet our compassionate teachers
- Children are welcome to join and explore
- Meet other school families while enjoying pizza and snacks

3K, 4K, 5K
 Round-up for the
 2024-2025 School year

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Thursday, February 29
5:30pm - 7:00pm



ST. JOHN LUTHERAN
 CHURCH & SCHOOL

Spots are already filling up, but St. John members get first priority, so contact the school before February 29 to secure your spot!



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 ISAIAH 40:9

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