



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

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Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 24, 2021

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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 stjohngrover@gmail.com by Thursday mornings.

Annual Voters' Meeting Next Sunday, January 31, we will be having our annual voters' meeting after the 10am service. It will be held in church. ALL VOTERS AND CONGREGATION MEMBERS are encouraged to attend this meeting. An **agenda and annual report** will be distributed **TODAY** for review by everyone and to help prepare for any questions during the **OPEN FORUM** of the meeting.

Constitution/By-Law Amendment The Church Council has recommended a By-Law amendment to Article 9 "The Board of Education." It will be presented for a vote at the Annual Voters Meeting on January 31. The wording to be added to the article is as follows:

"Up to two seats on the five-member board of education may be filled by members of area churches whom we share fellowship and have children in the St. John school. Those outside board of educa-

tion members have a vote on the board of education, but do not have a vote on the full church council nor are they voting members of St. John Church. Any board of education candidate from another congregation shall be elected at a meeting of the voting members of St. John. Additionally, up to two non-voting advisory members of the board of education may be appointed by the church council. Those advisory positions may be filled by St. John members or members from our fellowship congregations."



Bible Study The plans for the next Bible Study are still being arranged. There will not be a Bible Study posted this week.

Sunday School Attention Parents!



We are in the Winter Lessons Schedule. The Lesson for Sunday January 24 is Ruth's Faith found in the book of Ruth chapter 1. 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 Envelopes Your 2021 envelopes are available on the table in the back of church. A few things to make note of: (1) Check your address. If it is incorrect, please fill out a change form that is located in the rack in back of church or let Brenda Polzin know. (2) Since we renumbered **ALL** envelopes, it is especially important to please discard any remaining 2020 envelopes. (3) If you are taking advantage of the E-giving program, statements with your new number are available. Please use that number for any special donations. (4) If you don't have envelopes and wish to have them, please let Dave Kaus know.

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 Trinity, Marinette. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by Zion, Peshtigo by Pastor Luke Myslik.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

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| Those Who Joined Us in Worship (1/17/2021) | 67/36 |
| Live Stream Service Logged in 1/10/2021 | 23 |
| Live Stream Service Logged in 1/17/2021 | 18 |
| Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (3 weeks) | 109 |

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

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| Monday | 6:30pm | Zion Service |
| Wednesday | 4:30pm | Confirmation Class (4:30-6:00pm) |
| Friday | 8:20am | School Chapel Devotion |
| Sunday | 8:30am | Worship Service (WELS Connection) |
| | 10:00am | Worship Service (WELS Connection) |
| | 11:00am | Annual Voters’ Meeting with Open Forum |

Next Sunday’s Counting Team: Team “A” - Dan Maedke, Brenda Polzin, Lisa Sargent

Offerings for the Lord’s Work

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| General Fund Income for 1/3/2021 | \$ 6,372.69 |
| General Fund Income for 1/10/2021 | \$ 15,021.75 |
| General Fund Income for 1/17/2021 | \$ 4,779.75 |
| Total General Fund Income (29 weeks) | \$218,935.30 |

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| Budget Needs Weekly at \$6,932.46 (29 weeks) | \$201,041.34 |
| Total BUDGET SURPLUS in Offerings | \$ 17,893.96 |
| Borrowed Funds for Current Operating Expense | \$ 0.00 |

Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$1,092.75; Tuition - \$825

Special Gifts & Offerings

CMO - \$470; Sunday School Missions - \$3; Future Church Workers - \$8.80

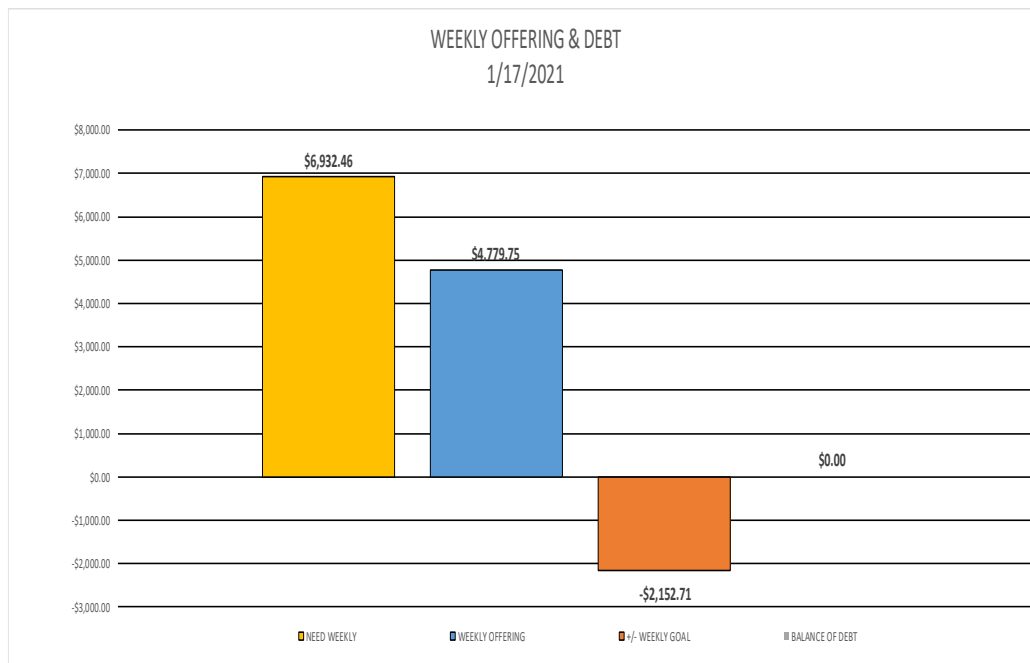
Memorials & Special Gifts Received:



School News

- ⇒ The CEA Winter Outing for this year will be ice skating on the pond at Cody and Hanna Maedke's on February 19 at 5:00 pm.
- ⇒ Our PreK/Kindergarten Round Up will be March 9 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm, by appointment to ensure a safe environment for everyone. More information will be coming in the next few weeks.

LARGER VIEW OF THIS BAR GRAPH IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD



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Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

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

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OPENING HYMN: CW 308 - As Surely As I Live, God Said (v.1-4)

1 “As surely as I live,” God said,
“I would not have the sinner dead,
But that he turn from error’s ways,
Repent, and live through endless days.”

2 To us, therefore, Christ gave command:
“Go forth and preach in ev’ry land;
Bestow on all my pard’ning grace
Who will repent of sinful ways.

3 “All those whose sins you thus remit
I truly pardon and acquit,
And those whose sins you do retain
Condemned and guilty shall remain.

4 “What you will bind, that bound shall be;
What you will loose, that shall be free;
Unto my Church the keys are giv’n
To op’n and close the gates of heav’n.”

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: Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

BE SEATED

FIRST LESSON

JONAH 3:1-5, 10

Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: 2 “Get up, go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you.” 3 So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh just as the word of the LORD had commanded. Now Nineveh was a great city to God. It required a three-day walk. 4 Jonah walked through the city for a day, and he called out, “Forty more days and Nineveh is going to be overthrown!” 5 The men of Nineveh believed God. They proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least. 10 When God saw their actions, that they had turned from their evil way, God relented from the disaster which he said he would bring on them, and he did not carry it out.

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm Psalm: 62 (page 88)

♪Refrain: The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

♪My soul finds rest in God alone;*
my salvation comes from him.

He alone is my rock and my salvation;*
he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.

Find rest, O my soul, in God alone;*
my hope comes from him.

Refrain: The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Though your riches increase,*
do not set your heart on them.

My salvation and my honor depend on God;*
he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

Trust in him at all times, O people;*
pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

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: The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

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SECOND LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 7:29-31

29 I also say this, brothers: The time is short. From now on, let those who have wives live as if they have none; 30 those who weep, as if not weeping; those who rejoice, as if not rejoicing; those who buy, as if not possessing; 31 and those who use the world, as if not getting any use out of it. For the way of life that belongs to this world is passing away.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease. Alleluia. (Matthew 4:23 cf. NIV)

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 1:14-20

14 After John was put in prison, Jesus went to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God. 15 “The time is fulfilled,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near! Repent, and believe in the gospel.” 16 As Jesus was going along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea, since they were fishermen. 17 Jesus said to them, “Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” 18 Immediately they left their nets and followed him. 19 Going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat mending the nets. 20 Immediately Jesus called them. They left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY: CW 453 - Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke

1 "Come, follow me," the Savior spoke,
"All in my way abiding.

Deny yourselves; the world forsake;

Obey my call and guiding.

Oh, bear the cross, whate'er betide;

Take my example for your guide.

2 "I am the light; I light the way,

A godly life displaying.

I bid you walk as in the day;

I keep your feet from straying.

I am the way, and well I show

How you should journey here below.

3 "My heart abounds in lowliness,

My soul with love is glowing,

And gracious words my lips express,

With meekness overflowing.

My heart, my mind, my strength, my all

To God I yield; on him I call.

4 "I teach you how to shun and flee

What harms your souls' salvation,

Your hearts from ev'ry guile to free,

From sin and its temptation.

I am the refuge of the soul

And lead you to your heav'nly goal."

5 Then let us follow Christ our Lord

And take the cross appointed

And, firmly clinging to his Word,

In suff'ring be undaunted.

For those who bear the battle's strain

The crown of heav'nly life obtain.

SERMON TEXT: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

THEME: The Lord works through repentance.

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 452 - Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow his example pure,
Flee the world which would deceive us
And to sin our souls allure.
Ever in his footsteps treading,
Body here, yet soul above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, abide with me.
Savior, lead; I follow thee.

2 Let us suffer here with Jesus,
To his image e'er conform;
Heaven's glory soon will please us,
Sunshine follow on the storm.
Though we sow in tears of sorrow,
We shall reap in heav'nly joy,
And the fears that now annoy
Shall be laughter on the morrow.
Christ, I suffer here with thee;
There, oh, share thy joy with me.

3 Let us also die with Jesus.
His death from the second death,
From our soul's destruction, frees us,
Quickens us with life's glad breath.
Let us mortify, while living,
Flesh and blood and die to sin,
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here I die to thee,
There to live eternally.

4 Let us gladly live with Jesus;
Since he's risen from the dead,
Death and grave must soon release us.
Jesus, thou art now our head.
We are truly thine own members;

Where thou livest, there live we.
Take and own us constantly,
Faithful Friend, as thy dear brethren.
Jesus, here I live to thee,
Also there eternally.

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 307 - Wondrous Are Your Ways, O God

1 Wondrous are your ways, O God!

No one can escape you!

Farthest space nor greatest depth

Cannot hide me from you!

Long before I came to birth,

Your eye saw and knew me.

Even in life's darkest hour

In your hand you hold me.

2 Search me, God, and know my heart,

Lord of truth and mercy.

From afar, O Lord, you know
All my thoughts, my secrets.
And if any wicked way
Should be found within me,
Cleanse, forgive me by your grace;
By your Spirit guide me.

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