Fourth Sunday of Lent March 19, 2023

Pastor Daniel Sargent Pastor

Jim Seefeldt Organist

Aaron & Erin Pape, Joel & Laura Rohde Counting Team

PRAYER OF THE DAY Almighty God, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask you graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with your salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Order of Service	Service of the Word & Sacrament		
	w/Baptism, page 12/26		
Hymns	298, 302, 310, 111		
First Lesson	Hosea 5:15-6:3		
Psalm of the Day	Psalm 42-43(page 82)		
Second Lesson	Romans 8:1-10		
Gospel Lesson	Matthew 20:17-28		
Confession of Faith	Nicene Creed		
Sermon Text	Hosea 5:15-6:3		
Worship Theme	"Come Back!"		

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.

Communion Announcements Those who desire to attend the

Lord's Supper are asked to announce by having the ushers sign up for you. We follow the Bible based practice of communing those who are communicant members of our congregation and those who are members of a congregation in fellowship with the Wisconsin Synod. If you have any questions about attending the Lord's Supper with us, please ask to speak with our pastor before the time of service.

NOTE: VISITORS, PLEASE FILL OUT A CARD IF RECEIVING COM-MUNION SO WE CAN LET YOUR HOME CHURCH KNOW OF YOUR ATTENDANCE. THANK YOU!!

Prayer Requests Please remember the following in your prayers:

- *Birthday and wedding anniversary celebrations this week.
- * Aston James Seckel as he receives the blessing of Holy Baptism. 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 by Wednesday afternoon.

Baptism Aston James Seckel, son of Justin Seckel and Hannah Dittmann, will receive God's washing of Holy Baptism during the service today. May the Lord bless and keep this child in his baptismal grace.

Special Marriage Bible Study - April 16 We will be doing BIRLE Lesson 3 of the Marriage Keys Bible Study after church on April 16. More details to follow

Trinity Trinity Lutheran School is looking for an individual to fill the part-time position of Aftercare Provider/2nd-4th Grade

Teacher's Aide (7.25 hours per school day), beginning at the start of the 2023-2024 school year. The individual will assist the 2nd-4th grade teacher for 2 hours in the morning and then independently lead the Aftercare program from 11:15am to 4:30pm. The hourly compensation rate is \$13/hour. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact principal Josh Danell for more information (principal@tlsmarinette.com or (715) 732-2956.

Youth Pizza Fundraiser Order pizzas and support Our Teen ministry! Pre-sale of pizza will go from now until March 19. The teens will build the pizzas on Saturday, March 25 and pizzas will be available to be picked up from Zion or Grace from 4-6 pm that evening and after church on the 26th. You can fill out an order form in the fellowship hall. We are asking for donations of brown grocery bags to help fill orders. They can be brought to Mr. Alex's office. All money raised will go to support the teen mission trip this summer!

Teen Mission Trip-Deadline Extended This summer during the last week of June, teens from Zion in Peshtigo, St John in Grover and Grace in Crivitz are invited on a mission trip to serve God's people abroad. We are working with WELS Christian Aid and Relief to be available wherever disaster strikes, and we can show God's love to his people. This mission trip will be open to any of our confirmed teens and their friends who are actively participating in our teen programs. There is a commitment of \$200.00 per teen that is due on March 15th, along with committing to 4 out of 7 fundraisers. If you have any questions or would like to come on the trip, see Mr. Alex for the commitment form.

Save The Date- Easter for Kids!! On Saturday, April 1st from 9:30-11:30, Zion will be hosting a one-day Bible School event called Easter for Kids! We are inviting children ages 3 to 10 to join us. There will be stories, crafts, games, snacks and songs. Most importantly, we will learn about the true meaning of Easter: Jesus Rises from the Dead! If you are planning to send your child, please pre-register so that we can plan accordingly. Please register for free online at https://vbsmate.com/events/zionpeshtigo/26883 If you are interested in helping, please talk to Mr. Alex.

LWMS Spring Rally The LWMS Spring Rally for our Lake Superior circuit will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2023 at Grace Lutheran Church, 716 Henriette Ave., Crivitz, WI. All women of our congregation are invited and welcomed to attend. Along with an agenda, there is a sign up sheet on the church's bulletin board for people who are interested in attending, and this sign up sheet will be used to RSVP to Grace Lutheran Church to help them prepare for this event.

A DOOR OFFERING will be collected TODAY, March 19 and next Sunday, March 26 to help support the mission projects. There is information about these mission projects on the bulletin board. At this Spring Rally there will be a collection of coats and winter gear. If you have gently used, or new, winter items to donate, you may place them in the box near the coat rack for delivery to the rally.

Lenten Services We continue with our Mid-Week Lenten Services on Wednesday at 6:30pm. We are exchanging pulpits with area churches with Pastor Paul Cole preaching at St. John this week.

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 **"Children of God"**. Next Sunday we will look at **"Gospel"**. Please come and join us for this study at 9:00.

Fundraising

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 FUND-RAISER 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. THESE WILL MAKE A PERFECT TREAT IN THE KIDS EASTER BAS-KETS

At the request of congregation members, we will continue to sell candy bars for future events of the Youth Group!

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 teers 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 Zion, Peshtigo. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by Calvary, Abrams by Pastor Matt Stuebs.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Joined for Lenten Service 3/8/2023 & Livestream	18/9
Those Who Joined Us in Worship 3/12/2023	101
Live Stream Service 3/12/2023 (Households)	25
Sunday School/Bible Study 3/12/2023	13/10
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (11 weeks)	134

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Monday 6:30pm Zion Service

Tuesday 10:00am Board of Elders

Wednesday 4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)

6:30pm Lenten Service (Cole)

Sunday 9:00am Sunday School/Bible Study

10:00am Worship Service w/WELS Connection

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

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 2/26/2023	\$	4,173.75
General Fund Income for 3/5/2023	\$	6,464.50
General Fund Income for 3/12/2023	\$	5,194.75
Total General Fund Income (37 weeks)	\$2	24,712.71
Church Offering Goal: Weekly@\$6,000.00 (37 weeks)	\$2	22,000.00
(Projection - \$312,000)		
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Tuition / School Choice (Projection - \$188,632) \$ 34,045.63/\$111,286.75

Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$2,862.75;

Special Gifts & Offerings:

Sunday School Missions - \$9.75; School Missions - \$37; Hot Lunch - \$79.50; Ladies Aid/Meditation Books - \$27

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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

Thursday 7:30am-2:30pm

FIRST LESSON HOSEA 5:15-6:3

15 I will go. I will return to my place until they admit their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will earnestly seek me. 6:1 Come, let us return to the LORD. For he has torn us to pieces, but he will heal us. He has struck us, but he will bandage our wounds. 2 After two days he will revive us. On the third day he will raise us up, so that we may live in his presence. 3 Let us acknowledge the LORD. Let us pursue knowledge of the LORD. As surely as the sun rises, the LORD will appear. He will come to us like a heavy rain, like the spring rain that waters the earth.

PSALM OF THE DAY SECOND LESSON

PSALM 42-43(page 82) ROMANS 8:1-10

So then, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 For in Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. 3 Indeed, what the law was unable to do, because it was weakened by the flesh, God did, when he sent his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to deal with sin. God condemned sin in his flesh, 4 so that the righteous decree of the law would be fully satisfied in us who are not walking according to the flesh, but according to the spirit. 5 To be sure, those who are in harmony with the sinful flesh think about things the way the sinful flesh does, and those in harmony with the spirit think about things the way the spirit does. 6 Now, the way the sinful flesh thinks results in death, but the way the spirit thinks results in life and peace. 7 For the mind-set of the sinful flesh is hostile to God, since it does not submit to God's law, and in fact, it cannot. 8 Those who are in the sinful flesh cannot please God. 9 But you are not in the sinful flesh but in the spirit, if indeed God's Spirit lives in you. And if someone does not have the Spirit of Christ, that person does not belong to Christ. 10 But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, but your spirit is alive because of righteousness.

VERSE OF THE DAY For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

GOSPEL MATTHEW 20:17-28

17 As Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside; and on the way he said to them, 18 "Look, we are going up to Jerusalem. The Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and experts in the law, and they will condemn him to death. 19 They will hand him over to the Gentiles to mock, flog, and crucify him. On the third day he will be raised." 20 Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to him with her sons, kneeling and asking something of him. 21 He said to her, "What do you want?" She said to him, "Promise that in your kingdom these two sons of mine may sit, one on your right hand and one on your left hand." 22 But Jesus answered, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?" They said to him, "We are." 23 He said to them, "You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not for me to give; rather these places belong to those for whom they have been prepared by my Father." 24 When the ten heard this, they were angry with the two brothers. 25 But Jesus summoned them and said, "You know that the rulers of the nations lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 26 It will not be that way among you. Instead whoever wants to become great among you will be your servant, 27 and whoever wants to be first among you will be your slave— 28 just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Have A Blessed Week!