

Palm Sunday
March 24, 2024

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Pastor

Organist

Greeters

Counting Team

PRAYER OF THE DAY We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Order of Service

Service of the Word, page 38

Hymns

130(Congregation-v1, Children-v2, Children & Congregation-v3), 354, 217, 356

First Lesson

Zechariah 9:9-10

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 24, Page 73

Second Lesson

Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel Lesson

Mark 11:1-10

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Sermon Text

Zechariah 9:9-10

Worship Theme

“Rejoice!”

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.

Vacation Bible School Zion and St John will once again be hosting Vacation Bible School this summer! It is a week earlier than in the past!!



SAVE THE DATE for Monday July 8th through Thursday July 11th, 2024. Come and enjoy Bible Stories, snacks, games, songs and a ton of summer fun! Don't forget to bring a friend! More information coming soon.

NOTE: We will be in need of volunteers to help with this Summer's Vacation Bible School.



Easter Flowers A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board to bring Easter lilies to decorate the church. Identify if the plant is being given for a special occasion or in memory of loved ones.

LWMS Spring Rally The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) SPRING Rally for our Lake Superior circuit will be held on Saturday, April 13, 2024 at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Iron Mountain, Michigan. All women of our congregation are invited and welcomed to attend. 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 Mt. Olive Lutheran

Church to help them prepare for this event.

A door offering will be collected **TODAY**, March 24 to help support the mission projects. Information about the mission projects can be found on the bulletin board. At this Spring Rally there will be a collection of the small size pill bottles with labels removed. You may place them in the box near the coat rack for delivery to the rally.


Quilters St. John Quilters are extending to the ladies of the congregation to join their quilting group. They meet on Tuesdays from 9am-3pm in the church basement. You don't have to know how to sew and you don't have to stay all day. For more information, call Linda Rich at 715-938-0224.



 **Holy Week Schedule** Please note the following schedule for our upcoming Holy Week Services:

March 24	Palm Sunday Worship	10:00am
March 28	Maundy Thursday w/Communion	6:30pm
March 29	Good Friday w/Communion	1:00pm
March 31	Easter Sunday w/Communion	10:00am

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 the number, “**Water**”. Next Sunday we will look at the number “**Wind and Spirit**”. 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 *Our Savior/St. Mark, Lena/Spruce*. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by *Grace, Crivitz by Pastor Dave Mielke*.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Wednesday Lenten Service/Livestream 3/13/2024	29/8
Those Who Joined Us in Worship 3/17/2021	156
Live Stream Service 3/17/2024 (Households)	20
Sunday School/Bible Study 3/17/2024	15/10
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (11 weeks)	152

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

SPRING BREAK—NO SCHOOL (3/25/24—4/1/24 returning 4/2/24)

- Monday 6:30pm Zion Service
- Tuesday 9:00am Quilters Group (9am-3pm)
- Wednesday 4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6:00pm)
- Thursday 6:00pm Grief Share Group @ Grace, Crivitz (6-7:30)
- 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service w/Communion

Friday 8:15am School Chapel Devotion
1:00pm Good Friday Service w/Communion
Sunday NO Sunday School/Bible Study
10:00am Easter Sunday Service w/Communion
WELS Connection

Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "E" - Scott & Sue Schonfeld, Dave & Patti Bornick

Next Sunday's Greeters: Paul Marquardt & Jeff Behnke

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 3/3/2024	\$ 5,576.00
General Fund Income for 3/10/2024	\$ 8,595.63
General Fund Income for 3/17/2024	\$ 5,551.75
Total General Fund Income (38 weeks)	\$230,768.68
Church Offering Goal: Weekly@\$6,174.50 (38 weeks)	\$234,631.00
(Projection - \$321,074)	

Total Church Offering Goal **Deficit** -\$ 3,862.32

Tuition/School Choice (Projection - \$253,424) \$40,266.11/\$192,913.50

Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$1,836.75

Special Gifts & Offerings:

Sunday School Missions - \$2.75; School Missions - \$42.25; CMO - \$1,000; Choir - \$250; Ladies Aid-\$100; Quilters - 50

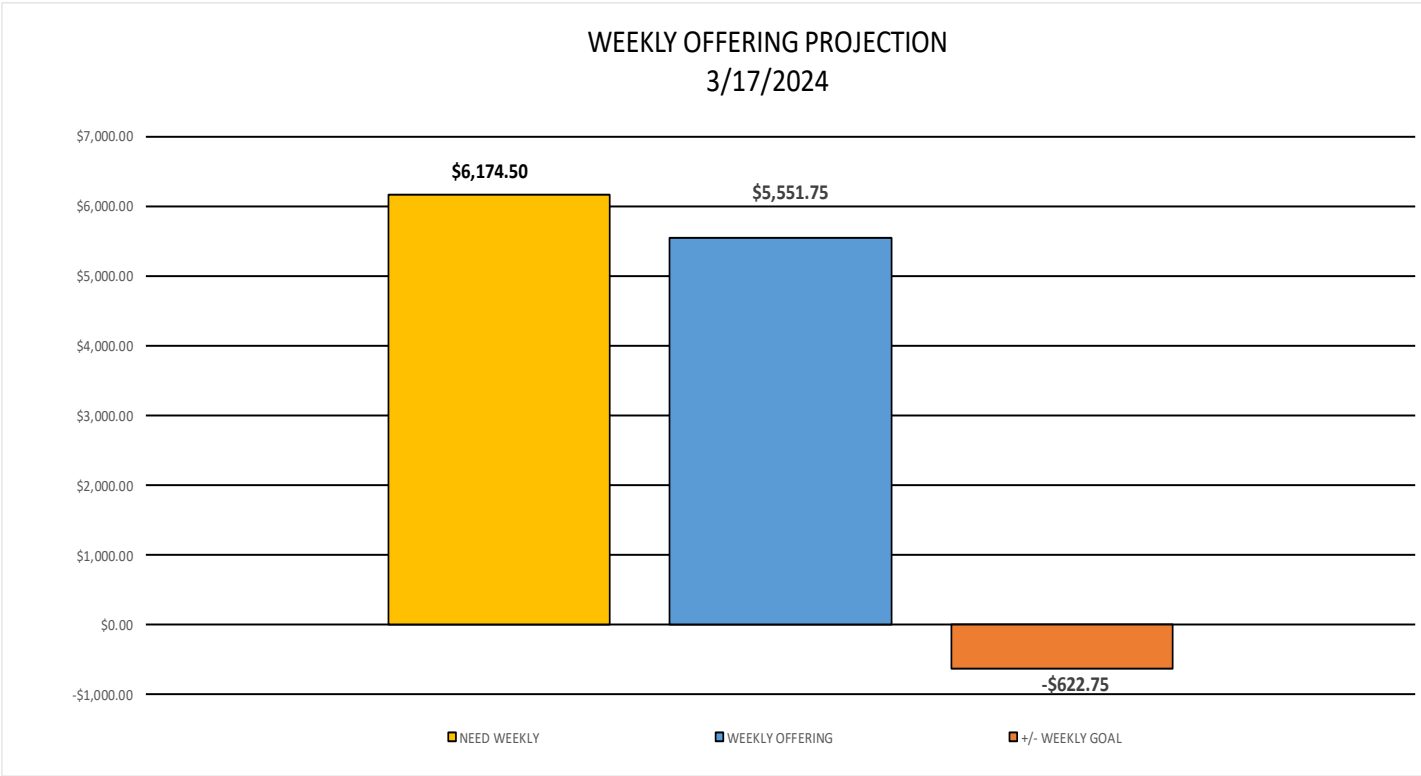
Memorials & Special Gifts Received

Choir - In memory of Kathy VanHecke from John Norton/Kimberly Saunder

Quilters - In memory of Kathy VanHecke from Linda Rich

**Link to Electronic giving page.
Just scan with your phone.**





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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

School News

- ⇒ A special thank you to our 4K - 8th grade students and Sunday School children for edifying our Palm Sunday worship service this morning.
- ⇒ There will be no school this coming week, March 25 - April 1, for our Spring Break. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 2.
- ⇒ Our third quarter of school has ended, with our fourth and final quarter of the school year beginning after Spring Break. Wishing our students and faculty the Lord's richest blessings as they finish the 2023-2024 school year. Report cards for the third quarter will be sent home on Wednesday, April 3.
- ⇒ Save the Date: Our annual Family Entertainment Night will take place on Friday, April 19 with doors opening at 5:00 pm and the first performance beginning at 6:00 pm. This year we will hold our special event at St. Thomas Aquinas Academy in Peshtigo which has a bigger facility allowing us to accommodate more people to come and enjoy this evening of fellowship. We will also have bucket drawings again, with proceeds going towards replacing flooring in one of the classrooms. If anyone would like to donate items for the bucket drawings, please contact Mrs. Sargent in the school office. You are all invited to join us for an evening of fun and fellowship.
- ⇒ St. John is now part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP). Open enrollment ends Thursday, April 18. If you are interested in sending your child(ren) to St. John, please check out this valuable program. Parents who would like to apply for the 2024-2025 school year can contact our School Choice Administrator Hannah Langebartels at choiceadmin@stjohnpeshtigo.org or (414) 758-8607 for more information.

FIRST LESSON**JEREMIAH 31:31-34**

31 Yes, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. 32 It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers, when I took them by the hand and led them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, although I was a husband to them, declares the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD. I will put my law in their minds, and I will write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. 34 No longer will each one teach his neighbor, or each one teach his brother, saying, "Know the LORD," because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD, for I will forgive their guilt, and I will remember their sins no more.

PSALM OF THE DAY**PSALM 143, PAGE 118****SECOND LESSON****HEBREWS 5:7-9**

7 In the days of his flesh, he offered prayers and pleas with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. 8 Although he was the Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered. 9 After he was brought to his goal, he became the source of eternal salvation for everyone who obeys him.

VERSE OF THE DAY The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:45 cf. NIV)

GOSPEL

JOHN 12:20–33

20 Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the Festival. 21 They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we want to see Jesus.” 22 Philip went to tell Andrew. Andrew came with Philip and told Jesus. 23 Jesus answered them, “The time has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Amen, Amen, I tell you: Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it continues to be one kernel. But if it dies, it produces much grain. 25 Anyone who loves his life destroys it. And the one who hates his life in this world will hold on to it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, let him follow me. And where I am, there my servant will be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. 27 “Now my soul is troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, this is the reason I came to this hour. 28 Father, glorify your name!” A voice came from heaven: “I have glorified my name, and I will glorify it again.” 29 The crowd standing there heard it and said it thundered. Others said an angel talked to him. 30 Jesus answered, “This voice was not for my sake but for yours. 31 “Now is the judgment of this world. Now the ruler of this world will be thrown out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all

people to myself.” 33 He said this to indicate what kind of death he was going to die.

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!!!

Alleluia: Historically, Christians do not sing Alleluia starting the first Sunday in Lent. On Ash Wednesday we began the season of Lent. It is a time for repentance and reflection. We don't sing or say the Alleluia during Lent because the joyfulness of the Alleluia doesn't fit it. During Lent we are waiting for the kingdom to come, not the kingdom having come. That is reserved for the Easter "Alleluia", which actually means "Praise God". Don't worry though, the Alleluia makes a triumphant return at Easter, and it's better than ever!



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.

