

Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 26, 2023

Pastor Daniel Sargent

Jim Seefeldt

Dan Maedke, Randy & Brenda Polzin,

Lisa Sargent

Pastor

Organist

Counting Team

PRAYER OF THE DAY Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; 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 w/Baptism, page 12/38
Hymns	300, “How Beautiful” (words in back of bulletin) (choir v1-3, cong/choir v4), 123, 607
First Lesson	Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm of the Day	Psalm 90(words in back of bulletin)
Second Lesson	Romans 8:11-19
Gospel Lesson	John 11:17-27, 38-45
Confession of Faith	Apostles’ Creed
Sermon Text	John 11:17-27, 38-45
Worship Theme	“Jesus Helps!”

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.

*Jemma Sophia Schaut as she 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 stjohngrover@gmail.com by Wednesday afternoon.

WELS Connection We will be viewing March, 2023 WELS Connection at the end of the service today.

New Calendar The April, 2023 calendar is available on the pedestal.



Baptism Jemma Sophia Schaut, daughter of Leonard and Andrea Schaut III, will receive God's washing of Holy Baptism during the service today. May the Lord bless and keep this child in his baptismal grace.

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



April 2	Palm Sunday Worship w/Communion	10:00am
April 6	Maundy Thursday w/Communion	6:30pm
April 7	Good Friday w/Communion	1:00pm
April 9	Easter Sunday w/Communion	10:00am



Easter Flowers Please sign up 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.



Adult Bible Study There will not be any Adult Bible Study at Zion for the month of April because of Holy Week.

Special Marriage Bible Study - April 16 We will be holding part 3 of the "Marriage Keys" bible study after church on April 16th. This final session of the study focuses on being communicative, considerate, and Christ-like spouses. Even if you missed our earlier session, all are welcome to attend. We will have a pot luck lunch prior to beginning the bible study. The main dish will be provided. Please bring a side or dessert to share. The bible study will be over no later than 1:30. You can sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board or directly to Aaron Pape at 262-674-4021 or papea270@gmail.com. We hope you can join us for a fun session of learning and fellowship!



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@tismarinette.com or (715) 732-2956.



Youth Pizza Fundraiser Youth Pizza Fundraiser Pizzas will be available to be picked up from Zion or Grace from 4-6 pm on the evening of Saturday, March 25 and after church on the 26th.

Teen Mission Trip-Deadline Extended This summer dur-



ing 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, 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.



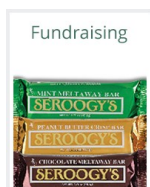
Lenten Services We continue with our Mid-Week Lenten Services on Wednesday at 6:30pm. We are exchanging pulpits with area churches with Pastor Luke Myslik preaching at St. John this week.

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



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 FUNDRAISER 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 BASKETS***

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)

JUNE SCHAUT

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Livestream Volunteers We are still in need of volunteers 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 *Grace, Crivitz*. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by *Grace, Crivitz by Staff Minister, Dan Kock*.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Joined for Lenten Service 3/15/2023 & Livestream	25/4
Those Who Joined Us in Worship 3/19/2023	145
Live Stream Service 3/19/2023 (Households)	12
Sunday School/Bible Study 3/19/2023	18/6

Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (12 weeks) 135

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Monday 6:30pm Zion Service
Tuesday 6:30pm Joint Parent/Board of Education
Wednesday 4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)
6:30pm Lenten Service (Myslik)
Friday 8:15am School Chapel Devotion
Sunday 9:00am Sunday School/Bible Study
10:00am Palm Sunday Service w/Communion

Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "B" - Dave Kaus, Paul Marquardt, Darlene Nohr

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 3/5/2023	\$ 6,464.50
General Fund Income for 3/12/2023	\$ 5,194.75
General Fund Income for 3/19/2023	\$ 5,358.75
Total General Fund Income (38 weeks)	\$230,081.46
Church Offering Goal: Weekly@\$6,000.00 (38 weeks)	\$228,000.00
(Projection - \$312,000)	

Total Church Offering Goal ***Surplus*** \$ 2,081.46

Tuition / School Choice (Projection - \$188,632) \$ 34,045.63/\$111,286.75

Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$1,891.75;

Special Gifts & Offerings:

Sunday School Missions - \$6.75; CMO - \$50

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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

Thursday 7:30am-2:30pm

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!



School News

- ⇒ Our Third Quarter ended this past Friday, March 24th. Report cards will be sent home this week Wednesday, March 29th.
- ⇒ There will be a joint parent/Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, March 28 at 6:30 pm. All St. John school parents are encouraged to attend.
- ⇒ This coming week will be a busy, exciting one at school. For the last two years, the faculty, staff, Board of Education, and St. John church and school families have been working on WELSSA accreditation. The end result of this accreditation process will be a site visit next week March 29-31. St. John will be visited by a group of 3 current and former educators who will be evaluating many different aspects of our school. They will be interviewing teachers, board members, and even some parents to help them get a feel for all the wonderful things being done at St. John. They will also be reviewing our self-study document, which includes 237 separate standards. We will find out on Friday afternoon whether or not we have passed the accreditation. Please pray that all the hard work being done here at St. John results in a passing score when all is said and done. If you have any questions about the visit or the accreditation process, feel free to reach out to Mr. Aguilar, Pastor Sargent, or Hannah Langebartels. You will also notice new mission statement banners, which now hang in both the school and the church. They will guide many decisions looking towards the future ministry at St. John.

FIRST LESSON

EZEKIEL 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD was upon me. He brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley, which was full of bones. 2 He had me pass through them and go all over among them. There were very many on the valley floor, and they were very dry. 3 He said to me, "Son of man, can these dry bones live?" I answered, "LORD God, you know." 4 Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.' " 5 This is what the LORD God says to these bones. I am about to make breath enter you so that you will live. 6 I will attach tendons to you. I will put flesh back on you. I will cover you with skin and put breath in you, and you will live. Then you will know that I am the LORD. 7 So I prophesied as I had been commanded, and as I was prophesying there was a noise, a rattling, as the bones came together, one bone connecting to another. 8 As I watched, tendons were attached to them, then flesh grew over them, and skin covered them. But there was no breath in them. 9 Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the wind. Prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind that this is what the LORD God says. From the four winds, come, O wind, and breathe into these slain so that they may live." 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me. Breath entered them, and they came back to life. They stood on their feet, a very, very large army. 11 Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They are saying, 'Our bones are dried up. Our hope is lost. We have been completely cut off.' 12 Therefore, prophecy and say to them that this is what the LORD God says. My people, I am going to open your graves and raise you up from your graves and bring you back to the soil of Israel. 13 Then you will know that I

am the LORD, when I open your graves and raise you up from your graves, O my people. 14 I will put my Spirit in you, and you will live. I will settle you on your own land, and you will know that I, the LORD, have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD.”

PSALM OF THE DAY

PSALM 90(words on last page)

SECOND LESSON

ROMANS 8:11-19

11 And if the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will also make your mortal bodies alive through his Spirit, who is dwelling in you. 12 So then, brothers, we do not owe it to the sinful flesh to live in harmony with it. 13 For if you live in harmony with the sinful flesh, you are going to die. But if by the Spirit you put to death the actions of the body, you will live. 14 Indeed, those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery so that you are afraid again, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we call out, “Abba, Father!” 16 The Spirit himself joins our spirit in testifying that we are God’s children. 17 Now if we are children, we are also heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, since we suffer with him, so that we may also be glorified with him. 18 For I conclude that our sufferings at the present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is going to be revealed to us. 19 In fact, creation is waiting with eager longing for the sons of God to be revealed.

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)

GOSPEL

JOHN 11:17-27, 38-45

17 When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in

the tomb for four days. 18 Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles away. 19 Many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them concerning their brother. 20 When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him, while Mary was sitting in the house. 21 Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." 23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." 24 Martha replied, "I know that he will rise in the resurrection on the Last Day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even if he dies. 26 And whoever lives and believes in me will never perish. Do you believe this?" 27 "Yes, Lord," she told him. "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who was to come into the world." 38 Jesus was deeply moved again as he came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. 39 "Take away the stone," he said. Martha, the dead man's sister, told him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, because it has been four days." 40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" 41 So they took away the stone. Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you heard me. 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." 43 After he said this, he shouted with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 44 The man who had died came out with his feet and his hands bound with strips of linen and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus told them, "Loose him and let him go." 45 Therefore many of the Jews who came to Mary and saw what Jesus did believed in him.

Have A Blessed Week!

HOW BEAUTIFUL

(Incorporating When I Survey the Wondrous Cross)

for congregation

Arranged by
BENJAMIN HARLAN

Words and Music by
TWILA PARIS (ASCAP)

Verse 1: How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth.
(Choir only) How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross.
How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ.

Verse 2: How beautiful the heart that bled, that took all my sin and bore it instead.
(Choir only) How beautiful the tender eyes that chose to forgive and never despise.
How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ.

Verse 3: *See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down.
(Choir only) Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Verse 4: Choir and Congregation

How beau - ti - ful the feet that _ bring the sound of good
news and the love of the King. How _ beau - ti - ful _ _ _ the hands that
serve the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How _ beau - ti -
ful, _ _ _ _ _ how _ beau - ti - ful, _ _ _ _ _ how _
beau - ti - ful is the bod - y of Christ. _ _ _ _ _

Psalm 90A- Fill Us with Your Love, O Lord

Refrain

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

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Lord, you have been our / dwelling place
throughout all gener- / ations.

Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the /
whole world,
from everlasting to everlasting / you are God.

You turn people / back to dust,
saying, “Return to dust, you / mortals.”
A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has / just gone
by,
or like a watch / in the night. **Refrain**

Teach us to number / our days,
that we may gain a heart of / wisdom.
May the favor of the Lord our God / rest on us;
establish the work of our hands for us—yes, establish the work /
of our hands.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain**