

*Fourth Sunday in Lent*  
*March 30, 2025*

***Pastor Daniel Sargent***

***Becky Marotz***

***Rod & Adie Robins***

***Dan Maedke, Randy & Brenda Polzin***

***Pastor***

***Organist***

***Greeters***

***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**

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**Hymns**

**304, 379, 387, 295**

**First Lesson**

**Isaiah 12:1-6**

**Psalm of the Day**

**Psalm 32, Page 78**

**Second Lesson**

**Romans 8:1-10**

**Gospel Lesson**

**Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

**Confession of Faith**

**Apostles' Creed**

**Sermon Text**

**Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

**Worship Theme**

**"The Third Son!"**



***Prayer Requests*** Please remember the following in your prayers:

\*Baptism Affirmation of Royce Robert Olson


\*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.

**WELS Connection** We will be viewing March, 2025 WELS Connection at the end of the service today.

**New Calendar** The April, 2025 calendar is available in the racks before entering church 



**Baptism Affirmation** Royce Robert Olson, son of Aaron and Elly Olson, will have Affirmation of Holy Baptism after the service today. May the Lord bless and keep this child in his baptismal grace.

**LWMS Rally** The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) SPRING Rally for our Lake Superior circuit will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2025 at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 327 S. Rosera St., Lena, WI. 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 Our Savior Lutheran Church to help them prepare for this event.

**A door offering will be collected TODAY, March 30 and April 6 to help support the mission projects. Information about the mission projects can also be found on the bulletin board.**



**Mom's Bible Study** Our next Bible Study will be Tuesday, April 15 at 9:30am in St. John church basement. Children are welcome. Activity/toys and light snack will also be provided for children. Please let Erin Pape know if you are able to

attend or interested in future meetings (262) 352-8762.



**Lenten Services** We will have our Mid-Week Lenten Service this Wednesday, March 26 at 2:00pm. We are exchanging pulpits with area churches with Pastor Frailing preaching at St. John this week.

**Other area Lenten churches service times are:**

Zion, Peshtigo 6:30pm (Dinner at 5:15pm)

Christ, Menominee 6:30pm

Calvary, Abrams Thursday 6:30 PM

Trinity, Coleman 6:00pm (Dinner at 5:00pm)

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

Grace, Crivitz 12:00pm and 6:00pm

Trinity, Marinette 3:30pm

**Livestream Volunteers** We are still in need of volunteers to help with the live-streaming. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Sargent.



**Meal Train Sign Up for Lisa and Pastor** As Lisa is starting her chemotherapy treatments at the beginning of January, we are looking to support Lisa and Pastor with food so they can focus on their daily life and Lisa's wellness and recovery. Lisa will be undergoing treatments through May of 2025, so a Meal Train will help sustain and spread out support throughout her treatments. Two sign up options: Sign up on Sunday mornings on the paper calendar on the bulletin board, OR sign up online using the following link [mealtrain.com/77kd62](http://mealtrain.com/77kd62). Please talk to Ella Aguilar or contact her with any questions 920-277-3367. Lisa and Pastor are very thankful for your support and prayers!



**Bible Study** This Sunday we will continue our study of Paul’s letter to the churches in Galatia. We will be meeting in the front of the church at 9:00 am. Please come and join the study.

**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!!**

**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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**2025 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 *St. John, Grover by Pastor Daniel Sargent*.

**Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran**

Those Who Joined Us in Mid-Week 3/19/2025	26
Those Who Joined Us in Worship 3/23/2025	156
Live Stream Service 3/23/2025 (Households)	22
Sunday School/Bible Study 3/23/2025	16/10
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (12 weeks)	160

**This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran**

Monday	6:30pm Zion Service
Wednesday	2:00pm Lenten Service(Frailing)
	4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)
Friday	8:15am School Chapel Devotion

Sunday 9:00am Sunday School/Bible Study  
10:00am Worship Service w/Communion

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

Next Sunday's Greeters: Paul Marquardt & Jeff Behnke

***Offerings for the Lord's Work***

General Fund Income for 3/9/2025	\$ 6,362.50
General Fund Income for 3/16/2025	\$ 7,499.06
General Fund Income for 3/23/2025	\$ 5,211.06
Total General Fund Income (39 weeks)	\$ 244,468.60
Church offering Goal: weekly @ \$6,282.33 (39 weeks) (NEW projection-\$326,681)	\$ 245,010.87
Total Church Offering Goal <b>DEFICIT</b>	-\$ 542.27
Tuition/School Choice (NEW projection-\$279,546)	\$42,374.24/\$176,588.25

***Included in General Fund Income Total:***

E-giving - \$2,107.06

***Special Gifts & Offerings:***

Sunday School Missions - \$8; LYG - \$110; School Missions - \$55; Gym/Fellowship Bldg - \$500

***Memorials & Special Gifts Received***

Gym/Fellowship Bldg - In memory of Kathy VanHecke from Jim VanHecke

**Ladies Night Out WINTER Schedule 2025**  
**SIGN UP SHEET IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD**  
**Thursday, April 10**

**Coppertown(formerly Crivello's)in Oconto(4:30pm)**

**Anyone questions, please call Marquita at 715-582-3304**

**4:30pm Social - Dinner 5:00pm**

## School News

- ⇒ We would like to thank everyone for supporting our school's pizza and candy bar fundraising efforts for upgrading our playground equipment. What a blessing you all are.
- ⇒ As we begin the last quarter of this school year, we pray the Lord richly bless the students and faculty as they work to faithfully finish the 2024-25 school year.
- ⇒ Save the Date - for our annual Family Entertainment Night on Friday, April 11. It will be held at St. Thomas Aquinas Academy in Peshtigo. Doors will open at 5:00 pm to get your tickets for the bucket drawings. The Preschool will start the evening with their musical selections at 6:00 pm, followed by a play from our Kindergarten - Grade 8 students. Please join us for a wonderful evening of fun and fellowship.
- ⇒ Basket Donations: As a part of our Family Entertainment Night we will also hold bucket drawings to help with our fundraising effort towards upgrading our playground. We would be grateful for your help if you would like to donate items towards these drawings. Donation suggestions: baskets filled with food items, crafting kits, spa items, tools, gardening equipment, fishing/hunting items, toys, crafts that you make, gift certificates to local businesses, etc! If you know a local business you could ask to donate items, that would also be great. You can bring your donations to the school anytime before April 11. If you have any questions please contact Hanna Maedke at 920-591-1180 or Lisa Sargent at 920-228-1563.
- ⇒ St. John is part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP). Open enrollment has begun and ends April 17. Parents who would like more information or to apply for the 2025-2026 school year can contact our School Choice Administrator Hannah Langebartels at [choiceadmin@stjohnpeshtigo.org](mailto:choiceadmin@stjohnpeshtigo.org) or (414) 758-8607 for more information.



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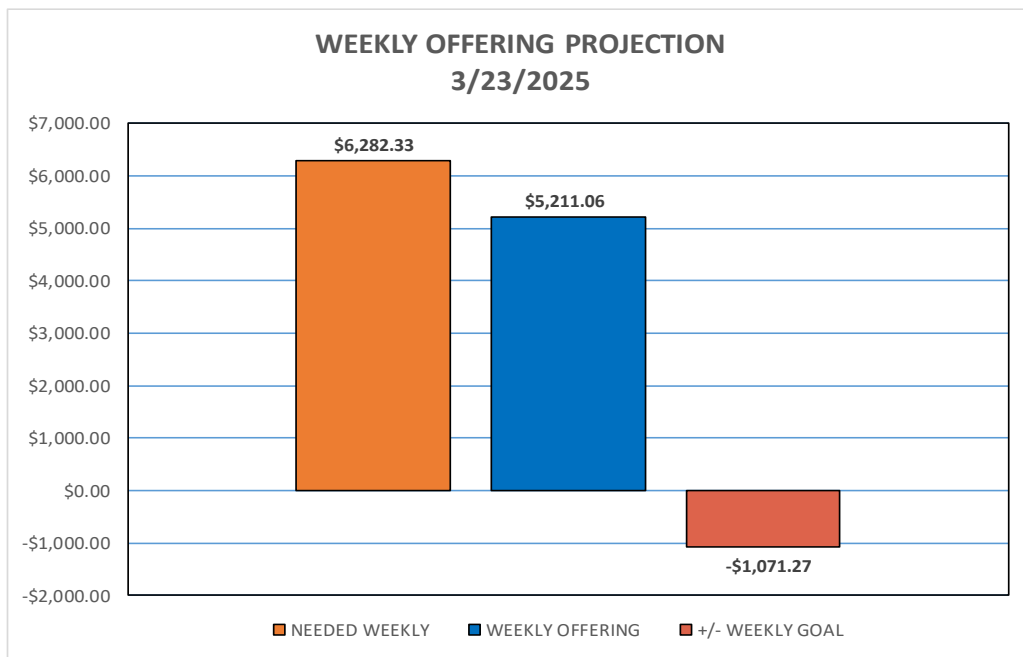
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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7/7:30am-2/2:30pm

Thursday 7/7:30am-2/2:30pm





## **FIRST LESSON**

**ISAIAH 12:1-6**

1 In that day you will say: "I will praise you, Lord. Although you were angry with me, your anger has turned away and you have comforted me. 2 Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation." 3 With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. 4 In that day you will say: "Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. 5 Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. 6 Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."

## **PSALM OF THE DAY**

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## **SECOND LESSON**

**ROMANS 8:1-10**

1 Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, 2 because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. 3 For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, 4 in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 5 Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. 6 The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. 7 The mind governed by the flesh is

hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. 8 Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God. 9 You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. 10 But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life 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**

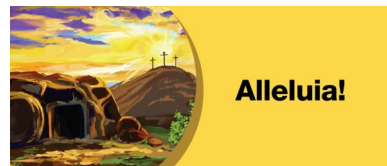
**LUKE 15:1-3,11-32**

1 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. 2 But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." 3 Then Jesus told them this parable: 11 Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. 13 "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. 14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. 17 "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned

against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.’ 20 So he got up and went to his father. “But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. 21 “The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ 22 “But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. 24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate. 25 “Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 27 ‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’ 28 “The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. 29 But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him! 31 “‘My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. 32 But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ ”

**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!



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**OUR MISSION:**

*St. John Lutheran Church exists to nurture our congregation with God's Word and Sacraments, share the Gospel in our surrounding communities and the world, and serve others in Christian love.*