Seventh Sunday of Easter May 21, 2023

Pastor Daniel Sargent Pastor

Jim Seefeldt Organist

Dave Kaus, Paul Marquardt, Darlene Nohr Counting Team

PRAYER OF THE DAY Almighty God, your Son our Savior was taken up in glory and intercedes for us at your right hand. Through your living and abiding Word, give us hearts to know him and faith to follow where he has gone; 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, pg	12/28
Hymns	294,	Choir - "Jesus is the Friend Who's	
		Always There", 311,	440
First Lesson		Acts	1:1-14
Psalm of the Day		Psalm 8 (pa	age 67)

Second Lesson 1 Peter 4:12-17, 5:6-11
Gospel Lesson John 17:1-11a
Confession of Faith Nicene Creed

Sermon Text Jeremiah 1:4-9
Worship Theme "What a Friend!"

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:

*Navy Chase Block as she receives the blessing of Holy Baptism today during the service.

*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 stjohn-grover@gmail.com by Wednesday afternoon.

35 Years Join us TODAY, May 21, in the church basement after the service for a reception to celebrate Pastor Sargent's 35 years of preaching God's Word. There will be cake and refreshments.

Flowers The altar flowers are given in honor of Pastor & Lisa Sargent's 35 years of service to our Lord.



Baptism Navy Chase Block, daughter of Steven & Briana Block, will receive God's washing of Holy Baptism during the service today. May the Lord bless and keep this child in his baptismal grace.

Church Softball Play some church softball this summer for fun & fellowship with brothers and sisters from WELS churches in the area! We will play at 1 p.m. on the following Sundays: June 11, June 25 at St. John, July 23 at Coleman, and August 6 at St. John.

Put these dates on your calendar and plan to come! It is for any male or female of all ages. You don't have to be good to come and play.

Vacation Bible School - Volunteers Wanted Some of

you may have fond memories of attending Vacation Bible School as a child, there were always fun songs and exciting crafts, thrilling Bible stories and tasty snacks! Yes, VBS is a fun time for our younger children and we are looking for volunteers to help make it happen! We need all sorts of help with this years' VBS, we are looking for station leaders who can lead activities like crafts, snacks games, music and more. We also need guides who can take the kids to their next station. If you have a heart for VBS, please come to our volunteer meeting at St John's Lutheran School on Tuesday May 23rd at 6:30pm. With God's help and your service, we can make VBS 2023 excellent!

Meditation Books The new meditation books starting May 28, 2023 are available on the table. A free-will offering is greatly appreciated to help defray the costs of production.

Sunday School/Bible Study TODAY, May 21, will be the last day for Sunday School and Bible Study. We will resume in the fall.

Installation Sunday TODAY, May 21, at 4 pm, Pastor Mielke will be installed as the new Pastor at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Crivitz (716 Henriette Ave). Pastor Cole will be preaching for the service. Following the service a meal will be provided in the Fellowship Hall.

Please consider joining us as we welcome our new Pastor. Any questions and/or reservations for the meal can be sent to Grace Lutheran Church at gracecrivitz@gmail.com.

Greeters We are looking to start up the Greeter Program again. We are looking for volunteers to

serve as our Church Greeters on Sunday mornings. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board by May 21 if you are willing to serve so we can implement it by June 1. If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Polzin (920-660-5801).

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.

Bible Study Our Bible Study is called **"Grand Themes & Key Words"**. Our lesson for this Sunday is called **"Repentance"**. Please come and join us for this study at 9:00.

Note: This will be the last bible Study before we begin our summer break.

Seroogy Candy Bars St. John Lutheran Youth Group is selling Seroogy candy bars at the cost of \$1.50 each.

NOTE: AT THIS TIME THE CANDY BARS THAT ARE ON THE TABLE ARE ALL WE HAVE. IN A FEW MONTHS WE WILL ORDER AGAIN AND THEY WILL BE AT THE COST OF \$2 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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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 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 Christ, Menominee, MI by Pastor Paul Cole.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Those Who Joined Us in Worship 5/14/2023	156
Live Stream Service 5/14/2023 (Households)	11
Sunday School/Bible Study 5/14/2023	20/12
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (20 weeks)	152

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Monday 6:30pm Zion Service

Thursday 6:30pm St. John School Graduation Service

Friday 8:15am School Chapel Devotion

12:00pm Last Day of School-Early Release

Sunday 10:00am Worship Service w/WELS Connection

Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "C" - Matt & Ronda Lemke, Gup & Melissa Gannigan

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 4/30/2023

\$ 4,450.75

General Fund Income for 5/7/2023	\$	4,864.50
General Fund Income for 5/14/2023	\$	6,425.75
Total General Fund Income (46 weeks)	\$2	80,442.96
Church Offering Goal: Weekly@\$6,000.00 (46 weeks)	\$2	76,000.00
(Projection - \$312,000)		

Total Church Offering Goal Surplus

\$ 4,442.96

Tuition / School Choice (Projection - \$188,632) \$ 35,432.50/\$111,286.75

Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$3,207.75; Thrivent/School - \$46

Special Gifts & Offerings:

CMO - \$100; Sunday School Missions - \$10.75; School Missions - \$41; Hot Lunch - \$72; School Undesignated - \$10.30

Memorials & Special Gifts Received:

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Link to Electronic giving page.

Just scan with your phone.



School News

- ⇒ Our Graduation service for the 4K and 8th grade students will be Thursday, May 25th at 6:30 pm. All children in Grades 4K - 8 will be singing in this service. The congregation is invited to attend this worship service.
- ⇒ Friday, May 26th will be the last day of school for this year. The morning will begin with a chapel service, followed by fun games and activities and ending with a picnic/potluck for the students and their families. Dismissal will be at 12:00 noon.
- ⇒ The Peshtigo Library Foundation donated a free book to each of our students in Kindergarten - Grade 2 this past Monday. We encourage all our families to check out the services provided by the Marinette County Library system this summer! Let's keep our children reading over the summer!

FIRST LESSON ACTS 1:1-14

I wrote my first book, Theophilus, about everything Jesus began doing and teaching 2 until the day he was taken up, after he had given instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. 3 After he had suffered, he presented himself alive to the apostles with many convincing proofs. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and told them things about the kingdom of God. 4 Once, when he was eating with them, he commanded them, "Do not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for what the Father promised, which you heard from me. 5 For John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6 So when they were together with him, they asked, "Lord, is this the time when you are going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He said to them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." 9 After he said these things, he was taken up while they were watching, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10 They were looking intently into the sky as he went away. Suddenly, two men in white clothes stood beside them. 11 They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing here looking up into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." 12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mountain called the Mount of Olives, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. 13 When they entered the city, they went to the upstairs room where they were staying. Peter and John were there, also James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot, and Judas the son of James. 14 All of them kept praying together with one

mind, along with the women, with Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

PSALM OF THE DAY SECOND LESSON

PSALM: 8 (PAGE 67) 1 PETER 4:12-17, 5:6-11

12 Dear friends, do not be surprised by the fiery trial that is happening among you to test you, as if something strange were happening to you. 13 Instead rejoice whenever you are sharing in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. 14 If you are insulted in connection with the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. 15 Make sure that none of you suffers as a murderer, a thief, a criminal, or as a meddler. 16 But if you suffer for being a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God in connection with this name. 17 For the time has come for judgment to begin with the household of God. Now if it begins with us, what will be the end for those who disobey the gospel of God? 5:6 Therefore humble yourselves under God's powerful hand so that he may lift you up at the appointed time. 7 Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. 8 Have sound judgment. Be alert. Your adversary, the Devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. 9 Resist him by being firm in the faith. You know that the same kinds of sufferings are being laid on your brotherhood all over the world. 10 After you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who called you into his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, will himself restore, establish, strengthen, and support you. 11 To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

VERSE OF THE DAY Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Alleluia. (John 14:23)

GOSPEL JOHN 17:1-11A

After Jesus had spoken these things, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son so that your Son may glorify you. 2 For you gave him authority over all flesh, so that he may give eternal life to all those you have given him. 3 This is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you sent. 4 I have glorified you on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. 5 Now, Father, glorify me at your own side with the glory I had at your side before the world existed. 6 "I revealed your name to the men you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me, and they have held on to your word. 7 Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. 8 For I gave them the words you gave me, and they received them. They learned the truth that I came from you. They believed that you sent me. 9 "I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, because they are yours. 10 All that is mine is yours, and what is yours is mine. And I am glorified in them. 11 I am no longer going to be in the world, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you."

SERMON TEXT JEREMIAH 1:4-9

The word of the Lord came to me, saying, 5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." 6 "Alas, Sovereign Lord," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am too young." 7 But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. 8 Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the Lord. 9 Then the Lord reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, "I have put my words in your mouth.

Have A Blessed Week!