



*Mother's Day
Blessing*

Proverbs 31:28

*Her children arise up,
and call her blessed;
her husband also, and
he praiseth her.*

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of St. John**

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6th Sunday after Easter
Mother's Day
May 9, 2021

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Pastor
Organist

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Father of lights, every good and perfect gift comes from you. Inspire us to think those things that are true and long for those things that are good, that we may always make our petitions according to your gracious will; 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	Christian Worship, page 38
Hymns	458, 505, 494, 490
Choir Song (10:00am)	"In The Garden"
First Lesson	Acts 11:19-26
Psalms of the Day	Psalms 98 page 103
Second Lesson	1 John 4:1-11
Gospel Lesson	John 15:9-17
Confession of Faith	Apostles' Creed
Sermon Text	Acts 11:19-26
Worship Theme	"Christian Mothers!"

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.

Large Print Bulletins Large print editions of today's bulletin and

Scripture lessons are available from one of the ushers. Please request one if it is needed.

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 Thursday mornings.



Luther Prep Summer Camps 2021 Luther Prep tentatively plans to hold its usual slate of summer camps this June and July. Covid modifications and precautions will be in place. Day camps and overnight camps will be offered. For more information and to register, visit http://www.lps.wels.net/apps/pages/summer_sports_camps or call 920-261-4352. Hope you can join us this summer!



Bible Study Our Bible Study is called **Jesus' Parables and the "I am Statements"** Copies of the lessons are available from the ushers at church and can be found on the church webpage www.stjohnpeshtigo.org in the News Letter section. The lesson will be posted on our YouTube page on **May 9**. Please join us for this 19 Minute study where we will visit with the Messiah. The lesson is titled; **"The Mustard Seed"** (Matthew 13:31,32)



Sunday School

Attention Parents! The Lesson for **Sunday, May 9** is **"Zacchaeus"** found in **Luke 19:1-10**. The online course will con-

tinue through the Spring Lessons for those who are not able to attend.

Click on <https://online.nph.net/ss-remote> to view the videos.

2021 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 Trinity, Marinette. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by Trinity, Coleman by Pastor Matt Langebartels.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Those Who Joined Us in Worship, (5/2/2021)	39/163
Live Stream Service Logged in 5/2/2021	19
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (18 weeks)	124
Sunday School	6

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Monday	6:00pm	Church Council
	6:30pm	Zion Service (Myslik)
Wednesday	6:00pm	Lutheran Pioneers Potluck Banquet @ Zion
Friday	8:20am	School Chapel Devotion
Sunday	8:30am	Worship Service w/Communion
	10:00am	Worship Service w/Communion

Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "B" - Dave Kaus, Paul Mar-

quardt, Burnette Marquardt, Darlene Nohr

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 4/18/2021	\$ 5,805.76
General Fund Income for 4/25/2021	\$ 5,245.75
General Fund Income for 5/2/2021	\$ 5,855.75
Total General Fund Income (44 weeks)	\$313,807.97
Budget Needs Weekly at \$6,932.46 (44 weeks)	\$305,028.24
Total BUDGET SURPLUS in Offerings	\$ 8,779.73
Borrowed Funds for Current Operating Expense	\$ 0.00

Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$1,787.75; Tuition - \$250

Special Gifts & Offerings

CMO - \$120;

Memorials & Special Gifts Received:

Church Organ - In memory of Roger & Joyce Nicklaus from Sharon Bray



School News

- ⇒ Our Track Day was held on Friday, May 7 for our St. John students. We thank all those who volunteered or came to support the children to make this day success.
- ⇒ Lutheran Pioneers will hold their Awards Pot-luck Banquet on May 12 at Zion in Peshtigo at 6:00 pm.
- ⇒ The school calendar for this coming school year 2021-2022 is now available on our school website under Parent Resources.

E-giving(Online Giving) This is an optional program and you can opt in or out at any time. There will be three methods to donate to our church. Here's how:

***Go to our website-stjohnpeshtigo.org. Click on the "Online Giving" tab (right side of screen). That'll take you directly to our E-giving webpage. Click on "create profile" and follow steps for adding transaction. The church incurs fees for debit/credit cards. You can help offset those fees by clicking on the button "help offset" (first time setup transaction only). These amounts will be added to your annual contribution statement.**

NEW FEATURE!! On donation page, under optional - select from dropdown menu and put in name/message you wish to have applied to the donation.

****GivePlus Church (smartphone app) - Download the app through "apple store (i-phone)" or "play store (android)". Create your online profile and follow the steps for adding a transaction. Search for our church by either typing the zip code (54157), typing "Ev. Lutheran Church of St. John, Grover, WI", or turn your locations on and "search for churches near me". With this method you can also help offset fees the church incurs for ACH transactions ONLY(bank routing) by clicking on the button "help offset"(first time setup transaction only).**

*****Smartphone thru a QR scan code. You must download any "QR code reader" app. Open the app and scan the QR code(to the right). It'll take you directly to our e-giving webpage. Create your online profile and follow steps for adding transaction.**



If you are a participant in this program already, THANK YOU!
Information is in the back of church to help guide you. Please don't hesitate to contact Brenda Polzin(920-660-5801) or Dave Kaus(715-923-9494) if you have any questions or need help setting it up.

FIRST LESSON**ACTS 11:19–26**

19 Now those who had been scattered by the persecution that took place at the time of Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except Jews. 20 But there were some men from Cyprus and Cyrene who came to Antioch and also began to speak to the Greeks, preaching the good news about the Lord Jesus. 21 The Lord's hand was with them, and a large number of people believed and turned to the Lord. 22 A report about this reached the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to go on to Antioch. 23 When he arrived and saw God's grace, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with devoted hearts. 24 He was a good man who was full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a large number of people were added to the Lord. 25 Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul. 26 When he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year they met with the church and taught a large number of people. It was in Antioch that the disciples were first called Christians.

PSALM OF THE DAY**PSALM: 98 (PAGE 103)****SECOND LESSON****1 JOHN 4:1–11**

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see if they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. 2 This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit who confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, 3 and every spirit who does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard is coming and is already in the world. 4 You are from God, dear children, and you have overcome the false prophets, because the one in you is greater than the one in the world. 5 They are from the world. That is why they speak from a worldly perspective and the world listens to them. 6 We are from God. The one who knows God listens to us, but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. That is how we can distinguish between the spirit of truth and the spirit of error. 7 Dear friends, let us love one another, because love comes from God. Everyone who loves

has been born of God and knows God. 8 The one who does not love has not known God, because God is love. 9 This is how God's love for us was revealed: God has sent his only-begotten Son into the world so that we may live through him. 10 This is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11 Dear friends, if God loved us so much, we also should love one another.

VERSE OF THE DAY Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Alleluia. (John 14:23 cf. NIV)

GOSPEL

JOHN 15:9–17

9 "As the Father has loved me, so also I have loved you. Remain in my love. 10 If you hold on to my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have held on to my Father's commands and remain in his love. 11 I have told you these things so that my joy would continue to be in you and that your joy would be complete. 12 "This is my command: Love one another as I have loved you. 13 No one has greater love than this: that someone lays down his life for his friends. 14 You are my friends if you continue to do the things I instruct you. 15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know what his master is doing. But I have called you friends, because everything that I heard from my Father, I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will endure, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. 17 These things I am instructing you, so that you love one another."

Have A Blessed Week!

Happy Mother's Day

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CHILDREN RISE UP AND
CALL HER BLESSED

- PROVERBS 31:28