

*First Sunday in Advent*  
*November 27, 2022*

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*Jim Seefeldt*

*Scott & Sue Schonfeld, Dave & Patti Bornick*

*Pastor*  
*Organist*  
*Counting Team*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Order of Service**

**Choir Song**

**Hymns**

**First Lesson**

**Psalm of the Day**

**Second Lesson**

**Gospel Lesson**

**Confession of Faith**

**Sermon Text**

**Worship Theme**

**Service of the Word, page 38**

**“Who Would Imagine a King”**

**2, 25, 28, 215**

**Isaiah 2:1-5**

**Psalm 18 (page 69)**

**Romans 13:11-14**

**Matthew 24:37-44**

**Apostles’ Creed**

**Isaiah 2:1-5**

**“Walk in the Light!”**

**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.



**Offering** If you wish to give an offering, it can be placed in the plates on the usher table in the narthex.

**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.

**Advent** Unfortunately, there will not be the “Advent” services held here at St. John Church. Trinity, Coleman is holding Advent Services at 6:00pm. They will also have Advent meals at 5:00pm.



**New Calendar** The December, 2022 calendar is available on the pedestal.

**WELS Connection** We will be viewing the November, 2022 WELS Connection at the end of the service today.

**Job Posting** Trinity Lutheran School, Marinette, is looking for a part-time janitor. The current position will be vacant starting January 1, 2023. The janitor works an average of 15 hours per week cleaning the school and will have up to 5 hours per week cleaning the church. The pay rate is \$14 per hour. If you or someone you know is interested in the position, please contact Josh Danell at 715-732-2956 or principal@tlsmarinette.com.

**Cards** There are Thanksgiving & Christmas cards available in the church entry way.

**Advent by Candlelight** As many of you know, the Zion Fellowship Hall (specifically the kitchen) is under construction. While we are very excited to upgrade our kitchen facilities, it is not going to work to use the Zion Fellowship Hall for Advent by Candlelight this year. The Ladies of Trinity Lutheran



Church in Coleman have kindly invited us to join them in their Advent by Candlelight on December 11 from 4:00-6:00pm. If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the sheets located in the entryway of the church. If you would like to host a table or bring a dessert or snack, there are sign-up sheets for that as well. We hope you will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to join with our sisters in Christ and celebrate Christ's birth together!

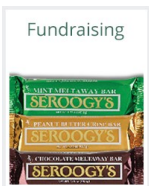


**Sunday School** We are still looking for Sunday School Teachers. If you are interested in helping let Pastor Sargent know.

**Bible Study** We are looking at a series called 19 Minutes with the Messiah. This week's lesson is "**The Woman in Labor**" (John 16:16-33). Next week's lesson is "**I AM the Alpha and the Omega**" (Revelation 1:4-8). If you come in during the study, copies are available at the usher table. Come and join us in the church at 9:00.



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



*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)

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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.

**2022 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](http://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 *First Ev. Lutheran, Green Bay* by Pastor Paul Schleis.

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

Those Who Joined Us in Worship 11/20/2022	134
Live Stream Service 11/20/2022 (Households)	
Sunday School/Bible Study 11/20/2022	20/12
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (47 weeks)	137

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

Monday	6:30pm	Zion Service
Tuesday	6:30pm	Board of Education
Wednesday	4:30pm	Confirmation Class
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 "F" - Kevyn Lange, Brent & Wanda Richlen

**Offerings for the Lord's Work**

General Fund Income for 11/6/2022	\$ 6,375.44
General Fund Income for 11/13/2022	\$ 9,481.10
General Fund Income for 11/20/2022	\$ 4,476.75
Total General Fund Income (21 weeks)	\$118,883.79

Church Offering Goal: Weekly@ $\$6,000.00$  (21 weeks)  $\$126,000.00$   
(Projection -  $\$312,000$ )

Total Church Offering Goal **DEFICIT**  $-\$ 7,116.21$

Tuition / School Choice (Projection -  $\$188,632$ ) $\$ 30,372.50/\$35,695.75$

**Included in General Fund Income Total:**

E-giving -  $\$2,230.75$ ;

**Special Gifts & Offerings:**

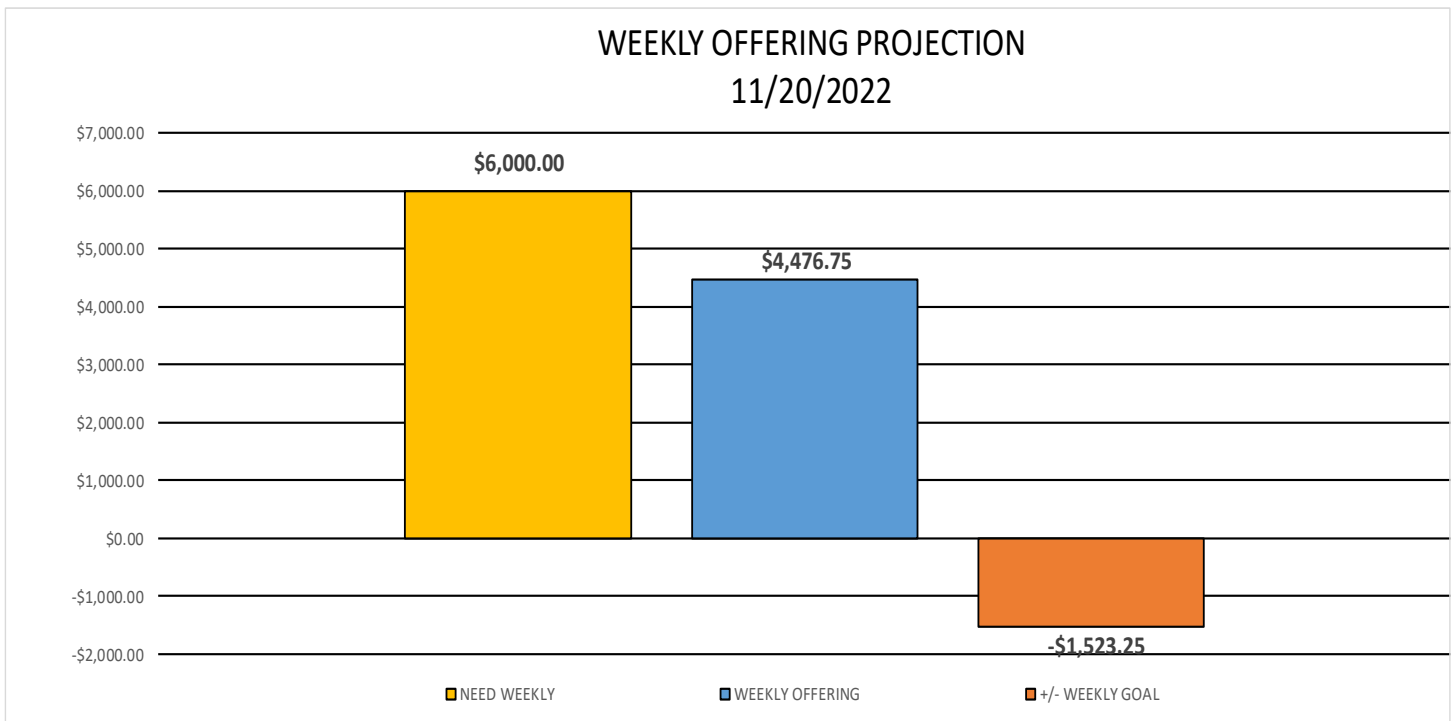
Sunday School Missions -  $\$12.82$ ; Ladies Aid/Meditation Books -  $\$58$ ;  
School Missions -  $\$45.30$ ; Hot Lunch -  $\$72$ ; LYG -  $\$27$ ; Pastor Retreat  
-  $\$400$ ; Church Organ -  $\$95$ ; Future Church Workers(WELS Extension)  
-  $\$8.28$ ; Gym/Fellowship Bldg -  $\$2,000$

**Memorials & Special Gifts Received:**

Church Organ - In Honor of Leo Seefeldt's 95th birthday from Jim  
& Connie Seefeldt

Gym/Fellowship Bldg - In Honor of Doris Seefeldt, Ron Carlson,  
Leo & Cecile Seefeldt from David Polzin

**LARGER VIEW OF THIS BAR GRAPH IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD**



## School News

- ⇒ Thank you to everyone who helped support the Thai Village, Inc through your purchases from the display that was set up in the narthex. What a blessing you are to the work and people in our mission field in Thailand.
- ⇒ There will be a Christmas Eve practice on Saturday, December 3 from 9:00 - 11:00 am for the children from both St. John School and Sunday School.
- ⇒ As many of the children who attend our school (about half of the student body) belong to different churches other than St. John, and have Christmas Eve services they participate in, we are going to try something different by having a School Children's Christmas Service on Saturday, December 10 at 3:00 pm. This will give everyone an opportunity to share the beautiful Christmas message with family and friends, as they have worked hard in class to learn all the songs and recitations. The children who can attend will also be doing the same service on Christmas Eve at 6:30 pm, along with our Sunday School children. If you are unable to be at the Christmas Eve service, please join us on December 10.
- ⇒ As a way to show love to those in our community who may be struggling this holiday season, St. John's School is partnering with the Peshtigo Food Pantry and holding a Hygiene Drive from Monday, November 28 until Sunday, December 18. Collection boxes will be available at both St. John's School and the church narthex. Please consider donating the following items: Soap and body wash, shampoo and conditioner, toothbrushes and toothpaste, body lotion and hand cream, New (not used) winter hats, gloves, mittens and socks. If you would like to make a cash donation, this can also be used to buy perishable items for Christmas.





*You are  
invited!*

Saturday,  
December 10  
3:00 PM

&

*Christmas Eve*  
Saturday,  
December 24  
6:30 PM

DID YOU  
KNOW?



## *Children's Christmas Service*

St. John School is blessed to serve students from many congregations. Since many students are also part of their own Christmas Eve services at their home congregations, St. John School and Church wanted to provide them the opportunity to participate with their school family as well as their church family.

This year, St. John will be hosting two Children's Christmas Services. On Saturday, December 10, St. John School students will be leading the Christmas service. All St. John members, friends, and family are joyfully invited!

On Christmas Eve, St. John students and St. John Sunday School will lead the service. Again, please invite family and friends! Christmas is a wonderful time to share our faith and the peace we have in Christ.



Our school's first semester mission offering for this school year is going to the Thai Village Inc., a nonprofit organization that works with artisans in Thailand (Southeast Asia) to support economic self-sufficiency and Christian education.

During the month of September we had a mission presentation by Pastor Jud Krohn and his wife Barb, who served as missionaries in Thailand and were instrumental in helping establish the Thai Village organization. As part of our continuing support this semester, along with our weekly chapel offerings, we are having a display of some of the products that are made by the artisans at Thai Village which will be available for purchase. The display will be set up in the church narthex starting next Sunday, November 20 through Sunday, November 27. We will also have the display available for the joint Wednesday, Thanksgiving worship service on November 23. Coffee and donuts will be served after the Wednesday night service while you have the opportunity to browse and shop the craft display. All purchases must be done by cash, check or by using a QR code paid directly to the TVI website.



## **FIRST LESSON**

## **ISAIAH 2:1-5**

This is the message that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. 2 This will take place in the latter days: The mountain of the LORD's house will be established as the chief of the mountains. It will be raised above the hills, and all nations will stream to it like a river. 3 Many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob. Then he will instruct us about his ways, and we will walk in his paths." For from Zion the law will go out, and the LORD's word will go out from Jerusalem. 4 He will judge between the nations, and he will mediate for many peoples. Then they will beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, nor will they learn war anymore. 5 O house of Jacob, come, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

## **PSALM OF THE DAY**

## **PSALM 18 ( PAGE 69)**

## **SECOND LESSON**

## **ROMANS 13:11-14**

11 And do this since you understand the present time. It is already the hour for you to wake up from sleep, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. 12 The night is almost over, and the day is drawing near. So let us put away the deeds of darkness and put on the weapons of light. 13 Let us walk decently as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual sin and wild living, not in strife and jealousy. 14 Instead, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not give any thought to satisfying the desires of your sinful flesh.

**VERSE OF THE DAY** Alleluia. He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Alleluia. (Revelation 22:20)

**GOSPEL****MATTHEW 24:37-44**

37 “Just as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be when the Son of Man returns. 38 In fact, in the days before the flood people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the very day that Noah entered the ark. 39 And they did not realize what was coming until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be when the Son of Man returns. 40 “At that time two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. 41 Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one will be left. 42 So be alert, because you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. 43 But understand this: If the master of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. 44 You also need to be ready for this reason: The Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not expect him.”

**Have A Blessed Week!**