



**The Evangelical Lutheran Church
of St. John**

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Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

*Second Sunday of End Time
Last Judgment
November 8, 2020*

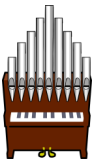
Pastor Daniel Sargent
Jim Seefeldt
Matt & Ronda Lemke, Kyle Seefeldt

Pastor
Organist
Counting Team

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.

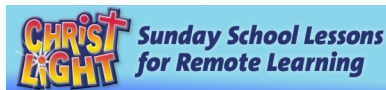
Prayer Requests Please remember the following in your prayers:
* Birthday and wedding anniversary celebrations this week.
** Family and friends of Michael Seefeldt who mourn his death.
Contact Pastor Sargent for any prayer requests and to inform him of any family members entering the hospital.
Also, 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 Thursday mornings.



Organ Repair and Upgrade Fabry Pipe Organ Inc. finished the repair and upgrade of our organ on November 4. A special thank you to all who donated to this project. The Organ Fund will continue to receive donations and they will be used for future tuning and repair of the organ as well as the plans for the 100th Celebration of the Organ that is being planned.



Sunday School
Attention Parents!



We are on Lesson number 9 called The Ten Commandments from Exodus 19 & 24. Please let your Sunday School Teacher or Pastor

know if you are having any trouble getting the lessons. We know this is a difficult time because of the pandemic. As of now, we are not able to hold in-person classes. We are very concerned about Sunday School want to make sure parents and children are getting the lessons they need. If you have any questions or concerns you can also call Pastor Sargent (920) 228-1061.

Northwestern Publishing has announced the Program for Remote Learning has been extended for Winter & Spring. We plan to order the lessons for this program and reach out to parents next week.

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

Bible Study: The Christian in Today's World



The sixth recording of the Bible Study will be posted on our YouTube page Sunday November 8. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJ8tkCadzLHuxGWLhovgl8Q>. We will be part 2 of Lesson 4 called The Christian in Today's TECHNOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT. Copies of the Bible Study are on the Website and copies for each week's lesson will be available at the Sunday Worship service on the table in the entrance. Please join Pastor for that Bible Study.

Altar Guild We are looking for additional ladies to help with the duties of Altar Guild. If you are interested, please contact Charlene Hurley at 715-789-2333 for more information.

Volunteers As you all know we are live-streaming the 8:30am service. We will need volunteers to help with the live-streaming. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Sargent.

2020 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.

100th Anniversary Celebration of the Church Organ



A Committee for celebrating the 100th Anniversary of our Church Organ is being assembled. They will help plan the program for this special Celebration to be scheduled in February, 2021. Erin Pape has volunteered to chair this organizing committee. If you would like to help with the planning and implementing of this celebration, please contact Erin at erinpape@gmail.com or 262-352-8762.

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 Zion, Peshtigo. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by Zion, Peshtigo, by Pastor Luke Myslik.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Those Who Joined Us in Worship (11/1/2020)	61/43
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (34 weeks)	123
(does not include the 10 weeks of no service)	

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Monday 6:00pm Church Council
 6:30pm Zion Service
Wednesday 4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)
Friday 8:20am School Chapel Devotion
Sunday 8:30am Worship Service & Holy Communion
 10:00am Worship Service & Holy Communion

Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "D" - Shane Seefeldt, John Seefeldt, Jenn Thompson

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 10/18/2020	\$ 11,088.25
General Fund Income for 10/25/2020	\$ 6,306.08
General Fund Income for 11/1/2020	\$ 5,357.25
Total General Fund Income (18 weeks)	\$128,102.78
Budget Needs Weekly at \$6,932.46 (18 weeks)	\$124,784.28
Total <i>BUDGET SURPLUS</i> in Offerings	\$ 3,318.50
Borrowed Funds for Current Operating Expense	\$ 0.00

Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$1,838.25;

Special Gifts & Offerings

Church Organ - \$110; CMO - \$100;

Memorials & Special Gifts Received:

Church Organ Fund - In Claryce Rohde from Joan Behringer

Church Organ Fund - In memory of Claryce Rohde from Michael & Theresa Berg

Church Organ Fund - In memory of Claryce Rohde from Jeffrey & Susan Berg



School News

- ⇒ The CEA is sponsoring a Target Ball Toss on Friday, November 13. There will be 2 groups, Grades Pre-K through 4 and Grades 5-8. The student with the closest ball to the Bullseye in each group wins a catered lunch of their choice, with a staff member and a friend.

- ⇒ There was no chapel service last week, October 30 or this past week, November 6. Chapel service will begin again on Friday, November 13 at 8:20. You can watch the recorded chapel services on our church YouTube page. There is a link on the school and church Facebook pages as well.

- ⇒ Our school is continuing with the Box Tops for Education program. All you need to do is download the Box Top Mobile App and scan your receipts.

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.

LITURGY—Service of the Word (page 38)
November 8, 2020

OPENING HYMN: CW 213 - Forever with the Lord

1 Forever with the Lord!

Amen! So let it be.

Life from the dead is in that word,

My immortality.

2 While time on earth is spent,

Absent from him I roam,

Yet nightly pitch my moving tent

A day's march nearer home.

3 My Father's house on high,

Home of my soul, how near

At times, to faith's foreseeing eye

The golden gates appear!

4 Lord, be at my right hand,

Then can I never fail.

If you uphold me, I shall stand;

With you I shall prevail.

5 So when my dying breath

Shall rend the veil in two,

By death I shall escape from death

To endless life with you.

6 I'll know as I am known;

How shall I love that word

And oft repeat before the throne,

"Forever with the Lord!"

Stand

INVOCATION

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

**Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.
Your Word, O Lord, is eternal;
it stands firm in the heavens.
Your faithfulness continues forever.
Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

M: Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to

the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

BE SEATED

FIRST LESSON

JEREMIAH 8:4-7

4 You are to tell them that this is what the LORD says: Do people fall and not get up again? If a person turns away, doesn't he turn back again? 5 Then why has this people turned away? Why is Jerusalem always turning away? They hang on to deception and refuse to let it go. 6 I have paid attention and listened, but they do not say what is right. No one repents of his wickedness. No one asks, "What have I done?" Everyone pursues his own course, like a horse charging into battle. 7 Even the stork in the sky knows her seasons. The turtledove, the swift, and the thrush observe the right time for their migration. But my people do not recognize the just judgments of the LORD.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm: Psalm 90 (page 99)

♪ **Refrain: In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

♪ Lord, you have been our 'dwelling place*
throughout all 'generations.

Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth
'and the world,*

from everlasting to everlasting 'you are God.

For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has 'just
gone by,*

or like a watch 'in the night.

Refrain: In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You have set our iniquities 'before you,*
our secret sins in the light of your 'presence.

You turn mortals back to dust.*

You sweep them away in the 'sleep of death.

The length of our days is seventy years or eighty, if we 'have the strength;*

yet their span is but trouble and 'sorrow.

Teach us to number our 'days aright,*

that we may gain a heart of 'wisdom.

Refrain: In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Satisfy us in the morning with your 'unfailing love,*

that we may sing for joy and be glad 'all our days.

Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son*

and to the Holy 'Spirit,

as it was in the 'beginning,*

is now, and will be forever. 'Amen.

Refrain: In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

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SECOND LESSON

1 THESSALONIANS 4:13–18

13 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you do not grieve in the same way as the others, who have no hope. 14 Indeed, if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, then in the same way we also believe that God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep through Jesus. 15 In fact, we tell you this by the word of the Lord: We who are alive and left until the coming of the Lord will certainly not go on ahead of those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a loud command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore, encourage one another with these words.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. Watch, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia. (Matthew 24:42)

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

STAND

GOSPEL LESSON

MATTHEW 25:31–46

31 “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. 32 All the nations will be gathered in his presence, and he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. 34 Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. 36 I was lacking clothes and you clothed me. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me.’ 37 “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you a drink? 38 When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or lacking clothes and clothe you? 39 When did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ 40 “The King will answer them, ‘Amen I tell you: Just as you did it for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it for me.’ 41 “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire, which is prepared for the Devil and his angels. 42 For I was hungry and you did not give me food to eat. I was thirsty and you did not give me anything to drink. 43 I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, lacking clothes and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not take care of me.’ 44 “Then they will also answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or lacking clothes or sick or in prison and did not serve you?’ 45 “At that time he will answer them, ‘Amen I tell you: Just as you did not do it for one of the least of

these, you did not do it for me.' 46 And they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY: CW 217 - The Head that once was Crowned

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now;
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty victor's brow.

2 The highest place that heav'n affords
Is his, is his by right,
The King of kings and Lord of lords
And heav'n's eternal light.

3 The joy of all who dwell above,
The joy of all below
To whom he manifests his love
And grants his name to know.

4 To them the cross, with all its shame,
With all its grace, is giv'n;
Their name, an everlasting name;
Their joy, the joy of heav'n.

5 They suffer with their Lord below;
They reign with him above,
Their profit and their joy, to know
The myst'ry of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to him;
His people's hope, his people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.

SERMON TEXT: MATTHEW 25:31-46

THEME: WHICH ONE AM I?

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated on the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BE SEATED

HYMN: CW 207—THE DAY IS SURELY DRAWING NEAR (V1-4)

1 The day is surely drawing near
When God's Son, the Anointed,
Shall with great majesty appear
As judge of all appointed.
All mirth and laughter then shall cease
When flames on flames will still increase,
As Scripture truly teaches.

2 A trumpet loud shall then resound
And all the earth be shaken.
Then all who in their graves are found
Shall from their sleep awaken
And with the living in that hour
By the Almighty's boundless pow'r
Be changed at his commanding.

3 A book is opened then to all,
A record truly telling
What each has done, both great and small,
When he on earth was dwelling,
And ev'ry heart be clearly seen,
And all be known as they have been
In thoughts and words and actions.

4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord
And sought but carnal pleasures,
Who here despised his precious Word
And loved their earthly treasures!
With shame and trembling they will stand
And at the judge's stern command
To Satan be delivered.

Stand

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives

and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen. Amen. Amen.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN: CW 207 - The Day is Surely Drawing Near (v5-6)

5 My Savior paid the debt I owe
And for my sin was smitten;
Within the Book of Life I know
My name has now been written.
I will not doubt, for I am free,
And Satan cannot threaten me;
There is no condemnation!

6 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
But hasten our salvation;
We often tremble on our way
In fear and tribulation.
Your saints are waiting patiently;
Come soon, Redeemer; make us free
From ev'ry evil. Amen.

Have A Blessed Week!

