# 18th Sunday after Pentecost October 1, 2023

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#### **Counting Team**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** Lord God, you call us to work in your kingdom and leave no one standing idle. Help us to order our lives by your wisdom and to serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Order of Service	Service of the Word & Sacrament, page 26		
Hymns	390, 606, 311, 381		
First Lesson	Isaiah 55:6-9		
Psalm of the Day	Psalm 27 (page 75)		
Second Lesson	Philippians 1:18-27		
Gospel Lesson	Matthew 20:1-16		
<b>Confession of Faith</b>	Nicene Creed		
Sermon Text	Philippians 1:18b-27		
Worship Theme	"A Win-Win Situation!"		

**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.

**Communion Announcements** Those who desire to attend the Lord's Supper are asked to announce by having the ushers sign up for you. We follow the Bible based practice of communing those who are communicant members of our congregation and those who are members of a congregation in fellowship with the Wisconsin Synod. If you have any questions about attending the Lord's Supper with us, please ask to speak with our pastor before the time of service.

# NOTE: VISITORS, PLEASE FILL OUT A CARD IF RECEIVING COM-MUNION SO WE CAN LET YOUR HOME CHURCH KNOW OF YOUR ATTENDANCE. THANK YOU!!

**Prayer Requests** Please remember the following in your prayers: \*God's Richest Blessings for the 50th wedding anniversary of Tom & Rita Seefeldt

\*Blessings to Nicholas Johnson and Bethany Schroeder on their wedding Saturday, October 7

\*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.



**Altar Flowers** The altar flowers are given with God's Richest Blessings for the 50th wedding anniversary of Tom & Rita Seefeldt.

*New Calendar* The October, 2023 calendar is available on the pedestal

Adult Bible Study There will be Adult Bible Study at Zion,

Peshtigo at 6:00pm this Thursday, October 5.

Audit Committee On Saturday, October 14, we will be

having our In-House Audit meeting for fiscal 2023. It will be held in school at 9:00am. Any council members are welcome to join us.

*LWMS Fall Rally* The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) Fall Rally for our Lake Superior circuit will be held at Our Savior in Lena, WI, on October 14<sup>th</sup>. All wom-



en of our congregation are invited and welcomed to attend.

At the rally we will be collecting devotional materials and other Christian literature to send to Green Bay.

Please save your coats and winter gear until our NEXT fall rally. We will not be collecting pill bottles at this rally either, but we hope to at rallies to come, so don't throw them away yet!

There is a sign up sheet on the church bulletin board as well as more information for people who are interested in attending, and this sign up sheet will be used to RSVP to Our Savior to help them prepare for this event.

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

**Bible Study** Our Bible Study is called **"Grand Themes & Key Words"**. We will look at Jesus' title **"Prophet"** on Sunday October 1. Next Sunday we will be looking at his title **"Rock".** Please come and join us for this study at 9:00.

*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.

**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 *Trinity, Marinette*. 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 9/24/2023			
Live Stream Service 9/24/2023 (Households)			
Sunday School/Bible Study (9/24/2023)			
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (38 weeks)			
This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran			
Monday 6:30pm Zion Service			
Wednesday 4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)			
Thursday 6:00pm Adult Bible Study @ Zion, Peshtigo			
Friday 8:15am School Chapel Devotion			
Sunday 9:00am Sunday School/Bible Study			
10:00am Worship Service w/K-8 Singing			
Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "G" - Aaron & Erin Pape, Joel &			
Laura Dalada			

Laura Rohde

Next Sunday's Greeters: Paul Marquardt & Jeff Behnke

## Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 9/10/2023	\$ 5,739.75
General Fund Income for 9/17/2023	\$ 4,527.75
General Fund Income for 9/24/2023	\$ 3,711.75

 Total General Fund Income (13 weeks)
 \$ 62,905.25

 Church Offering Goal: Weekly@\$6,174.50 (13 weeks)
 \$ 80,268.50

 (Projection - \$321,074)
 -\$ 17,363.25

 Total Church Offering Goal **Deficit** -\$ 17,363.25

 Tuition/School Choice (Projection - \$253,424)
 \$27,192.50/

 Included in General Fund Income Total:
 E-giving - \$1,371.75

Special Gifts & Offerings:

CMO - \$200; Sunday School Missions - \$9.75; School Missions - \$52.72; Hot Lunch - \$96; LWMS Door Offering - \$177 *Memorials & Special Gifts Received:* 





### **School News**

- ⇒ Our students from Grades K 8 will sing in church next Sunday, October 8 for Christian Education Sunday. They will have an opportunity to share this year's school theme, by singing the song <u>"We Are the Children of Light"</u> as they "Let Their Light Shine"!
- ⇒ As Fire Prevention Week is approaching from October 8 14, our students would like to thank the members of the Grover-Porterfield Volunteer Fire Department for their service to our community by collecting donations of snacks and beverages to send to the fire station. We are grateful for their service.
- ⇒ Our weekly chapel services will be held in church on Fridays at 8:15 am. Parents and visitors are welcome to attend. We will also post the recording of these devotions on both our school and church Facebook pages.

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### FIRST LESSON

6 Seek the LORD while he may be found! Call on him while he is near! 7 Let the wicked man abandon his way. Let an evil man abandon his thoughts. Let him turn to the LORD, and he will show him mercy. Let him turn to our God, because he will abundantly pardon. 8 Certainly my plans are not your plans, and your ways are not my ways, declares the LORD. 9 Just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways, and my plans are higher than your plans.

#### PSALM OF THE DAY SECOND LESSON

PSALM 27 (PAGE 75) PHILIPPIANS 1:18–27

18 What does it matter? Only this, that in every way, whether for outward appearance or for the truth, Christ is being proclaimed, and in this I rejoice. Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, 19 because I know that this will turn out for my deliverance, through your prayer and the support of the Spirit of Jesus Christ. 20 This matches my earnest expectation and hope that I will in no way be put to shame, but with all boldness, as always, so even now, Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 Yes, for me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 But if I am to go on living in the flesh, that will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet which should I prefer? I do not know. 23 I am pulled in two directions, because I have the desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far. 24 But, it is more necessary for your sake that I remain in the flesh. 25 And since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and will continue with all of you, for your progress and joy in the faith. 26 And so by my coming to you again, my goal is to give you even more reason to boast in Christ Jesus. 27 Just conduct

ISAIAH 55:6-9

yourselves in a way that is worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come to see you or am absent, I may hear about you that you are standing firm in one spirit, contending together with one soul for the faith of the gospel.

VERSE OF THE DAYAlleluia. My grace is sufficient for you, for mypower is made perfect in weakness. Alleluia. (2 Corinthians 12:9a)GOSPELMATTHEW 20:1–16

"Indeed the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. 2 After agreeing to pay the workers a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. 3 He also went out about the third hour and saw others standing unemployed in the marketplace. 4 To these he said, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will give you whatever is right.' So they went. 5 Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour and did the same thing. 6 When he went out about the eleventh hour, he found others standing unemployed. He said to them, 'Why have you stood here all day unemployed?' 7 "They said to him, 'Because no one hired us.' "He told them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' 8 When it was evening, he owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last group and ending with the first.' 9 "When those who were hired around the eleventh hour came, they each received a denarius. 10 When those who were hired first came, they thought they would receive more. But they each received a denarius too. 11 After they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner: 12 'Those who were last worked one hour, and you made them equal to us who have endured the burden of the day and the scorching heat!' 13 "But he answered one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did

you not make an agreement with me for a denarius? 14 Take what is yours and go. I want to give to the last one hired the same as I also gave to you. 15 Can't I do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?' 16 In the same way, the last will be first, and the first, last."

### HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!!!

