Reformation Sunday The First Sunday of End Times October 30, 2022

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PRAYER OF THE DAY Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; 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 Hymns First Lesson Choir Song Second Lesson Gospel Lesson Confession of Faith Sermon Text Worship Theme Service of the Word, page 38 390, 201, 291, 203 Jeremiah 31:31-34 We Are the Church of God! Romans 3:19-28 John 8:31-36 Apostles' Creed Psalm 46 "A Hymn of Comfort!"

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

Pastor Organist Counting Team 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 stjohn-grover@gmail.com by Wednesday afternoon.

Thank You On behalf of the whole congregation, we would Thank like to express our sincere gratitude to Rod and Addie Rob-

ins for the donation of the shrubs in the front of church and for filling our planter with beautiful flowers.

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

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

Reformation Service Area Reformation Service will be held at Trinity, Coleman this afternoon, October 30 at 4:00 pm.

St. John and Zion Working Together There have been a number of opportunities for our members to work together in the past like jointly holding Advent by Candlelight,



the LWMS Rally, Monday night worship services at Zion and the St. John Quilting Group and our joint church picnic this year.

On September 22nd members of our two church councils met to discuss more ways we can work together. Several ideas were discussed, and some plans were suggested. St. John Church Council

wants to inform our members of the following things that are being planned for opportunities for our two congregations to work together.

- A monthly evening Bible Study starting November 3rd at 6:00pm at Zion.
- An alternating Joint Thanksgiving Service held each year starting at St. John this November.
- Continue with the joint Church Picnic, being held next at Zion with an outside worship service in the park—August 13th, 2023, Badger Park in Peshtigo.



Future Plans The Church Council will be presenting a draft document for goals for our School for the next 5

years. Copies are also available on the usher's table at church. This plan will be discussed at the open forum at the quarterly voters meeting and then voted on at that meeting.

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



Bible Study This Reformation Sunday we will be looking a video Bible Study about the Reformation titled, Grace, Faith, Scripture. It was compiled from the movie; "A re-

turn to Grace: Luther's Life and Legacy."

Seroogy Candy Bars St. John Lutheran Youth Group is sell- Fundraising ing 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 bulle-



tin 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 *Zion, Peshtigo*. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by *St. Matthew, Pound.*

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Lust week at st. John Ev. Lutheran			
Those Who Joined Us in Worship 10/23/2022 117		117	
Live Stream Service 10/23/02022 (Households) 12avg		12avg	
Sunday School/Bible Study 10/23/2022 20/14			
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (43 weeks) 136		136	
This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran			
TODAY WELS CONNECTION AFTER THE SERVICE			
Monday	6:30pm Zion Service		
Wednesday	ednesday 4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)		
	5:30pm Lutheran Pioneers (5:30-7p	m)	
Thursday	ursday 6:00pm Zion Bible Study		
Friday	NO SCHOOL		
Sunday	Sunday 9:00am Sunday School/Bible Study		
10:00am Worship Service w/Communion			
Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "B" - Paul Marquardt, Randy			

& Brenda Polzin, Darlene Nohr *Offerings for the Lord's Work*

 General Fund Income for 10/9/2022
 \$ 4,956.75

 General Fund Income for 10/16/2022
 \$ 9,685.75

 General Fund Income for 10/23/2022
 \$ 3,911.75

 Total General Fund Income (17 weeks)
 \$ 95,121.75

 Church Offering Goal: Weekly@\$6,000.00 (17 weeks)
 \$102,000.00

 (Projection - \$312,000)
 -\$ 6,878.25

 Total Church Offering Goal **DEFICIT** -\$ 6,878.25

Tuition / School Choice (Projection - \$188,632) \$ 29,832.50/\$35,695.75 Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$1,371.75;

Special Gifts & Offerings:

School Missions - \$46.37; Hot Lunch - \$70; Sunday School Missions- \$52.65; LYG - \$84; Gym/Fellowship Bldg - \$20

Memorials & Special Gifts Received:

General - In memory of Lucille Schonfeld from Edna Zeitler General - In memory of David Duescher from John & Vicki Duescher

General - In memory of Rev. Kenneth Wenzel from Janet Lange General - In honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Jim & Connie Seefeldt from Joe & Ellen Liptak & Family

LARGER VIEW OF THIS BAR GRAPH IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD



School News

- ⇒ There will be a joint parent/Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, October 25 at 6:00 pm. All St. John school parents are encouraged to attend.
- ⇒ This Wednesday, October 26 will be the end of our first quarter. We are grateful for the blessings the Lord has given us and pray for His continued guidance.
- ⇒ There will be no school on Thursday, October 27 and Friday, October 28 as our teachers will be attending the Wisconsin Lutheran State Teachers' Conference which will be held at Wisconsin Lutheran High School in Milwaukee.
- ⇒ Our children in Grades K 8 are encouraged to participate in a joint children's choir for the Area Reformation Service at Trinity, Coleman next Sunday, October 30 beginning at 4:00 pm.
- ⇒ Our weekly chapel services will be held in church on Fridays at 8:15. Parents and visitors are welcome to attend. We will also upload the services to our school and church Facebook pages.



Thursday Night Bible Study November 3 At 6:00pm Zion Fellowship Hall

When Zion and St John councils met together for some future planning, we identified a need for both congregations. That need is an evening Bible Study. We will be starting off slow at first to gauge the interest. This study will be on the first Thursday of every month, if interest is great we have plans to make it a weekly study.

Our first topic will be 10 Lies About God. You have heard them before, so lefs talk about them.

1: God Wants Me to Be Happy

2: There Are Many Ways in God's Presence

3: God Has Grown Softer on Sin

4: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves

5: God Has Made Death a Natural Part of Life

6: A God of Love Wouldn't Send People to Hell

7: It Doesn't Matter How God Made the World

8: God is Distant and Disinterested in What Happens

9: I Don't Need the Bible or Worship to Have a Relationship with God

10: God Doesn't Judge Anyone, and Neither Should You

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Thursday 7:30am-2:30pm				

FIRST LESSON

JEREMIAH 31:31-34

31 Yes, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. 32 It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers, when I took them by the hand and led them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, although I was a husband to them, declares the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD. I will put my law in their minds, and I will write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. 34 No longer will each one teach his neighbor, or each one teach his brother, saying, "Know the LORD," because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD, for I will forgive their guilt, and I will remember their sins no more.

CHOIR SONG SECOND LESSON

WE ARE THE CHURCH OF GOD! ROMANS 3:19–28

19 Now we know that whatever the law says is addressed to those who are under the law, so that every mouth will be silenced and the whole world will be subject to God's judgment. 20 For this reason, no one will be declared righteous in his sight by works of the law, for through the law we become aware of sin. 21 But now, completely apart from the law, a righteousness from God has been made known. The Law and the Prophets testify to it. 22 This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all and over all who believe. In fact, there is no difference, 23 because all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God 24 and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God publicly displayed as the atonement seat through faith in his blood. God did this to demonstrate his justice, since, in his divine restraint, he had left the sins that were committed earlier unpunished. 26 He did this to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so that he would be both just and the one who justifies the person who has faith in Jesus. 27 What happens to boasting then? It has been eliminated. By what principle—by the principle of works? No, but by the principle of faith. 28 For we conclude that a person is justified by faith without the works of the law.

VERSE OF THE DAY Alleluia. If you continue in my Word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. Alleluia. (John 8:31, 32 cf. RSV)

GOSPEL

JOHN 8:31–36

31 So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you remain in my word, you are really my disciples. 32 You will also know the truth, and the truth will set you free." 33 "We are Abraham's descendants," they answered, "and we have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say, 'You will be set free'?" 34 Jesus answered, "Amen, Amen, I tell you: Everyone who keeps committing sin is a slave to sin. 35 But a slave does not remain in the family forever. A son does remain forever. 36 So if the Son sets you free, you really will be free."

SERMON TEXT

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.
 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, 3 though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.
 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. 5 God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day. 6 Nations are in

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uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts. The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. 8 Come and see what the Lord has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth. 9 He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. 10 He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." 11 The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Have A Blessed Week!