

*16th Sunday after Pentecost*  
*September 25, 2022*

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PRAYER OF THE DAY Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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<b>Second Lesson</b>	<b>Philemon 1:1, 10-21</b>
<b>Gospel Lesson</b>	<b>Luke 14:25-33</b>
<b>Confession of Faith</b>	<b>Apostles' Creed</b>
<b>Sermon Text</b>	<b>Luke 14:25-33</b>
<b>Worship Theme</b>	<b>"Know What You Are Up Against!"</b>

***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 [stjohn-grover@gmail.com](mailto:stjohn-grover@gmail.com) by Wednesday afternoon.

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



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



**St John Quilting Group** This group meets every Wednesday. If you would like to join the group, come at 9:00am and bring a lunch because they meet till 2:00pm. Pastor

joins the group at times for a question-and-answer Bible Study while the ladies work on the quilts. The quilts they make are donated to our St. John shut ins, Bellin Health Marinette for cancer patients, Veterans at the home in Iron Mountain, Rainbow House for mothers and children from trouble homes, the homeless shelter in Menomonie and area nursing homes.

**Audit Meeting** We will be having our annual in-house Audit Meeting on Saturday, October 22, 2022 at 9am.



The meeting will be held in school. Along with the Audit Com-

mittee, any council member is invited to attend .



The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) Fall Rally for our Lake Superior circuit will be held on Saturday, October 15, 2022 at Grace Lutheran Church at N 16405 Main Street, Powers, Michigan. All women of our congregation are invited and welcomed to attend. There is a sign up sheet on the church's bulletin board for people who are interested in attending, and this sign up sheet will be used to RSVP to Grace Lutheran church to help them prepare for this event. A door offering will be collected on the Sundays of September 18 and 25, which will be used to help support WELS home and world missions. There is more information about the Fall Rally on the bulletin board.

**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 Ten Virgins" (Matthew 25:1-13). Next week's lesson is "The Talents" (Matthew 25:14-30). 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). 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 *Zion, Peshtigo* by *Pastor Luke Myslik*.

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

Those Who Joined Us in Worship 9/18/2022	156
Live Stream Service 9/18/02022 (HOUSEHELDS)	12
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (38 weeks)	136

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

Monday	6:30pm Zion Service
Tuesday	6:00pm Board of Elders
Wednesday	4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)
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 "C" - Shane Seefeldt, Mark & Eunice Kamps

***Offerings for the Lord's Work***

General Fund Income for 9/4/2022	\$ 7,162.50
General Fund Income for 9/11/2022	\$ 6,540.75
General Fund Income for 9/18/2022	\$ 4,332.75
Total General Fund Income (12 weeks)	\$ 65,600.25
Church Offering Goal: Weekly@\$6,000.00 (12 weeks) (Projection - \$312,000)	\$ 72,000.00
Total Church Offering Goal <b><i>DEFICIT</i></b>	-\$ 6,399.75
Tuition / School Choice (Projection - \$188,632)	\$ 22,740/0

**\*Note: In the past, tuition was included as part of the general fund figures. Now with the School Choice program, it is a separate figure with its own projection.**

***Included in General Fund Income Total:***

E-giving - \$1,932.75;

***Special Gifts & Offerings:***

School Missions - \$34.75; Hot Lunch - \$84; Sunday School Missions- \$36.90; Special Projects - \$3,500

***Memorials & Special Gifts Received:***



# School News

- ⇒ We would like to thank Mrs. Barb Krohn, wife of former Thailand missionary Judd Krohn who spoke to our students on Friday to tell us more about the Thai Village, Inc, which is where we are sending our first semester mission offering.
- ⇒ The CEA will hold a Fall Outing for our school families on Sunday, October 2, at Badger Park Pavilion, beginning just after 11:00 am.
- ⇒ Our school has participated in Box Tops for Education which allows schools to earn money that can be used to purchase non-budgeted items for their school. In years past it was done the traditional way of cutting out the Box Tops and sending them to school. But Box Tops has made it much easier now by using the Box Top Mobile App where you can just scan your receipts. No more clipping of Box Tops! For more information just go to [BTFE.com](http://BTFE.com). If you would like to help our school, just download the App and designate St Johns Evangelical Lutheran School as your recipient.
- ⇒ 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.



## **FIRST LESSON**

## **PROVERBS 9:8-12**

8 Do not warn a mocker, or he will hate you. Warn a wise person, and he will love you. 9 Give advice to a wise person, and he will become even wiser. Teach a righteous person, and he will add to his learning. 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding, 11 because through me your days will be multiplied, and years will be added to your life. 12 If you are wise, you are wise to your own advantage. But if you scoff, you alone will bear the consequences.

## **PSALM OF THE DAY**

## **PSALM 19 (page 70)**

## **SECOND LESSON**

## **PHILEMON 1:1, 10–21**

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon, our dear friend and coworker, 10 I am appealing to you on behalf of my child Onesimus. I became his father while I was in chains. 11 There was a time when he was useless to you, but now he is useful both to you and to me. 12 I have sent him (who is my very heart) back to you. Welcome him. 13 I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might serve me in your place while I am in chains for the gospel. 14 But I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that your kindness would not be the result of compulsion, but of willingness. 15 Perhaps this is why he was separated from you for a while: so that you would have him back forever, 16 no longer as a slave, but as more than a slave, as a dear brother. He certainly is dear to me, but he is even more of a dear brother to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. 17 So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. 18 And if he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge it to me. 19 I, Paul, have written this with my own hand: I will repay it—not to mention that you owe me your very

self. 20 Yes, brother, I am asking for a favor from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ. 21 Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

**VERSE OF THE DAY** Alleluia. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Alleluia. (Philippians 4:4 RSV)

**GOSPEL**

**LUKE 14:25–33**

25 Large crowds were traveling with Jesus. He turned and said to them, 26 “If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. 27 Whoever does not carry his own cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. 28 For which of you, if he wants to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost to see if he has enough to complete it? 29 Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, everyone who sees it will begin to ridicule him, 30 saying, ‘This fellow began to build, but was not able to finish.’ 31 Or what king, as he goes out to confront another king in war, will not first sit down and consider if he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32 And if he is not able, he sends out a delegation and asks for terms of peace while his opponent is still far away. 33 So then, any one of you who does not say farewell to all his own possessions cannot be my disciple.

**Have A Blessed Week!**