

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 1, 2024

Pastor Daniel Sargent

Jim Seefeldt

Becky Rohde, Lissa Seefeldt

Scott & Sue Schonfeld, Dave & Patti Bornick

Pastor

Organist

Greeters

Counting Team

PRAYER OF THE DAY O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your never-failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Order of Service

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Hymns

**459, 286, 651 & 657 (Communion/
Blue Hymnal), 471**

First Lesson

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 119c, Page 111

Second Lesson

Ephesians 6:10-20

Gospel Lesson

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed

Sermon Text

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Worship Theme

“Jesus is Blunt, We are Blessed!”

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 Wis-

consin 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 Communion 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 Wedding Anniversary of Mark and Eunice Kamps

*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.

Round Up Mursau's Piggly Wiggly in Coleman will hold a "Round Up" for St. John Lutheran School in September. Round Up is a fund-raising program where shoppers can "round up" their purchases at Piggly Wiggly. (The way that works is that if your bill at Piggly Wiggly is say \$20.50, you could round up to \$21. The amount of the "round up" would go into a fund to help pay for the new flooring in two of the classrooms at St. John Lutheran School.) If you happen to be shopping at the Piggly Wiggly in Coleman and hear of the "Round Up" for St. John Lutheran School, please consider donating.



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Altar Flowers The altar flowers are given with God's Richest Blessings for the Wedding Anniversary of Mark and Eunice

Kamps.



LWMS Fall Rally Women's Missionary Society (LWMS)

Fall Rally for our Lake Superior circuit will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2024 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 221 N Louis Ave, Coleman, WI. 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 Trinity Lutheran church to help them prepare for this event.

Door offerings will be collected on the Sundays of **September 15 and 22** 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 The first day of Sunday School will begin

on September 8 at 9:00 am. There is a Sunday School



Newsletter available today for all families with Sunday

School Children. There is information about the classes, and schedule including the Christmas services. Please take one from the ushers as you leave church today.



Bible Study Bible Study will start again on September 8. We

will be looking at the "**Book of Jonah**" in this study. It will

be at 9:00am in the front of the church. All are welcome.

Wednesday Confirmation Wednesday Confirmation

classes resume on September 11. They are held at the



Day School from 4:30-6:00pm. The classes are for chil-

dren who are in 6th through 8th grade. Returning students will be contacted by Pastor. If you have a child ready to begin, please let

Pastor know. (920-228-1061)

Mom's Bible Study Our next Bible Study will be Wednesday, September 4 at 9:00am in St. John church basement. Children are welcome. Activity/toys and light snack will also be provided for children. Please let Erin Pape know if you are able to attend or interested in future meetings (262) 352-8762.

Travel with WELS Groups Interested in traveling with other members of our WELS/ELS faith family where daily devotion and Christian fellowship are integral parts of the itinerary? The OWLS (Organization of WELS Lutheran Seniors) is partnering with Father's World Tours to offer several trips in the coming months. Spend some time in Duluth and along the amazing Lake Superior shore in September. Embark on a 2-week trip to Texas via America's Heartland in November. Or, ring in the New Year on a Caribbean cruise to visit and encourage our WELS missions in St Lucia, Grenada, and Antigua. All trips originate in MN (New Ulm or Twin Cities), have options to fly-in and meet the group, and are open to WELS/ELS members of all ages. Visit www.fathersworldtours.com or contact Steve Balza (steve@fathersworldtours.com or 507-217-1731).



THERE'S A LARGER POSTER VIEW ON THE BULLETIN BOARD



Seroogy Candy Bars St. John Lutheran Youth Group is selling Seroogy candy bars once again at the cost of \$2.00 each.

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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2024 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 *St. John, Grover*. The daily devotions on WOCO AM (1260) & FM (107.1) this week (Monday-Friday at 9:05 am) are hosted by *Trinity, Marinette* by *Pastor Josh Frailing*.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Those Who Joined Us in Worship 8/25/2024	154
Live Stream Service 8/25/2024 (Households)	9
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (34 weeks)	167

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Monday NO School
NO Zion Service
HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY LABOR DAY

Wednesday 9:00am Mom's Bible Study

Friday 8:15am School Chapel Devotion

Sunday 9:00am Sunday School/Bible Study **STARTS**
10:00am Worship Service

Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "G" - Aaron & Erin Pape, Joel & Laura Rohde

Next Sunday's Greeters: Sally Motkowski & Sue Mylener

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 8/11/2024	\$ 7,111.06
General Fund Income for 8/18/2024	\$ 4,479.06
General Fund Income for 8/25/2024	\$ 5,059.06
Total General Fund Income (9 weeks)	\$ 49,815.79
Church offering Goal: weekly @ \$6,282.33	\$ 56,540.97

(9 weeks) (projection-\$326,681)

Total Church Offering Goal **DEFICIT** -\$ 6,725.18

Tuition/School Choice (projection-\$279,546) \$30,184.50/

Included in General Fund Income Total:

E-giving - \$1,946.06

Special Gifts & Offerings:

CMO - \$150; School Undesignated/T-shirts - \$45; LYG - \$57.95;

Ladies Aid/Belinda Seefeldt Funeral - \$100

Memorials & Special Gifts Received

Missions - In memory of Belinda Seefeldt from Janet Lange

General - In memory of Belinda Seefeldt from Joe & Ellen Liptak/
Family

General - In memory of Belinda Seefeldt from Karen Bintz & Cody

Ladies Night Out FALL Schedule 2024

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

THE LANDING IN MENOMIONEE(5:00PM)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

RAILHOUSE IN MARINETTE(4:30PM)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14

THE WINDJAMMER NEAR MARINETTE (4:30PM)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

BROWN'S CORNER IN PESHTIGO(4:30PM)

Anyone questions, please call Marquita at 715-582-3304

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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

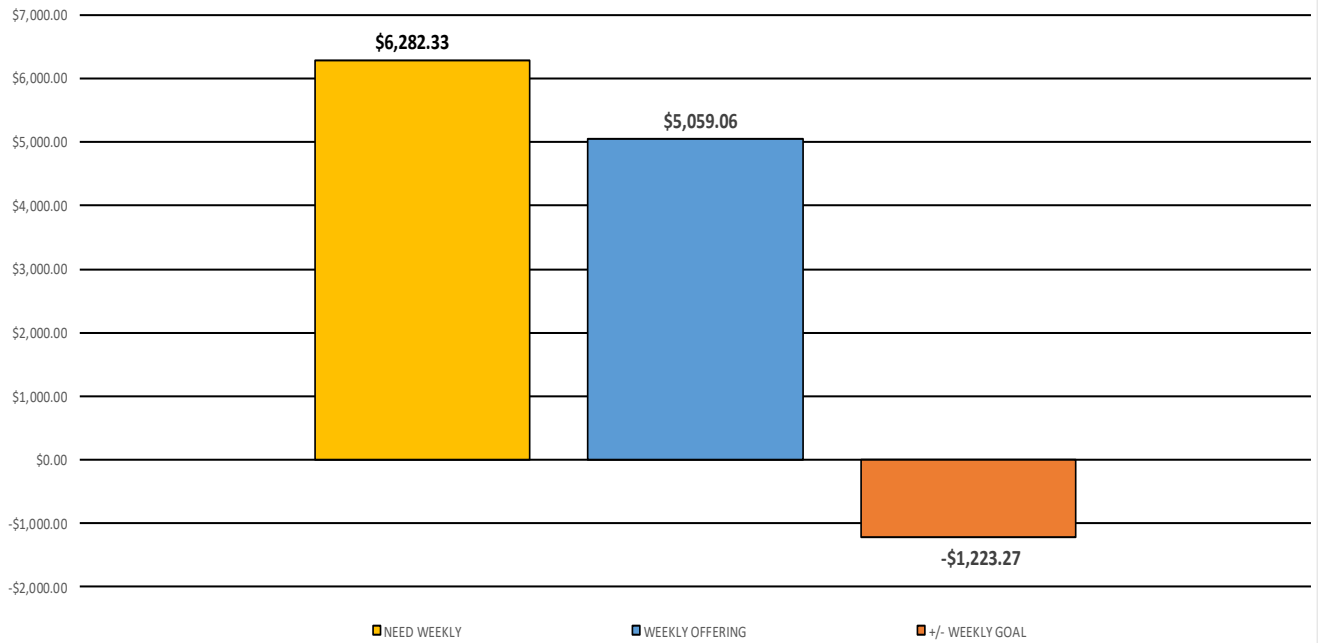
Thursday 7:30am-2:30pm

Link to Electronic giving page.

Just scan with your phone.



WEEKLY OFFERING PROJECTION
8/25/2024



ST. JOHN LUTHERAN
CHURCH & SCHOOL

OUR MISSION:

St. John Lutheran Church exists to nurture our congregation with God's Word and Sacraments, share the Gospel in our surrounding communities and the world, and serve others in Christian love.

School News

- ⇒ Our faculty and staff welcomed their students to the start of a new school year this past week. Grades 5 -7 started on Monday with an exciting field trip to the Peshtigo Fire Museum, Copper Culture State Park and some mini golf. The rest of the student body began classes on Tuesday, August 27th. Our total enrollment this year stands at 61 students from PreK 3 through Grade 7. Pastor Sargent led our students in an opening chapel service. We ask the Lord to richly bless our students and teachers throughout the coming year, that we may grow in wisdom and stature.
- ⇒ This year our new school theme is: Put on the Full Armor of God. It is based on the reading from Ephesians 6:10-1: “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.”
- ⇒ There will be no school on Labor Day, this coming Monday, September 2nd.
- ⇒ Our weekly chapel services will begin next week Friday, September 6th, and be held in church on Fridays at 8:15 am. Parents and visitors are welcome to attend.

150th Anniversary of the Ev. Lutheran Church of St John

Rev. Carl Heubner from the Wisconsin Synod was sent to serve Lutheran immigrants who had organized congregations in Marinette County. One group was started in 1870 called the German Lutheran Congregation of Peshtigo and Surrounding Territory. On October 8, 1871 the Peshtigo Fire devoured all of Peshtigo and the surrounding territory. The homes, barns, cattle, belongings, and the church building of these members were reduced to ashes. Many lost husbands, wives, and children. Those who survived took courage and wanted a new start for their church. On January 1, 1874 a new congregation was organized. The name they chose was the Ev. Lutheran Saint Johannes Gemeinde. (Ev. Lutheran Church of St. John) It was decided to build a church on three acres donated by Fred Warnecke. In August of 1876 a wooden church building was erected on the very site of our present sanctuary.

NOTE: We will be remembering this 150th Anniversary with a special thanksgiving service on October 13th, 2024. At 10:00 am there will be video presentations on the history of the church. The service will start at 10:30. A potluck fellowship meal will be held in the church basement after the service.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR KITCHEN HELP FOR THIS EVENT. PLEASE CONTACT PASTOR SARGENT IF INTERESTED! THANK YOU!!



FIRST LESSON**DEUTERONOMY 4:1–2, 6-8**

So now, Israel, listen to the statutes and the ordinances that I am teaching you, and carry them out so that you may live and so that you may enter the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving to you and take possession of it. 2 Do not add to the word that I am commanding you, and do not subtract from it, so that you keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you. 6 Keep them and put them into practice, because in this way your wisdom and your understanding will be recognized by all the people who hear about all these statutes; and they will say, “This great nation is certainly a wise and understanding people,” 7 because what other great nation is there that has a god as close to it as the LORD our God is to us whenever we call on him? 8 What other great nation is there that has statutes and ordinances as righteous as this entire law that I am presenting to you today?

PSALM OF THE DAY**PSALM 119C(PAGE 111)****SECOND LESSON****EPHESIANS 6:10–20**

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on the full armor of God, so that you can stand against the schemes of the Devil. 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. 13 For this reason, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to take a stand on the evil day and, after you have done everything, to stand. 14 Stand, then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness fastened in place, 15 and with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace

tied to your feet like sandals. 16 At all times hold up the shield of faith, with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the Evil One. 17 Also take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. 18 At every opportunity, pray in the Spirit with every kind of prayer and petition. Stay alert for the same reason, always persevering in your intercession for all the saints. 19 Pray for me also, that when I open my mouth a message will be given to me that boldly reveals the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may speak about it boldly, as it is necessary for me to speak.

VERSE OF THE DAY Alleluia. Your words became a joy to me, and the delight of my heart. Alleluia. (Jeremiah 15:15 cf. RSV)

GOSPEL

MARK 7:1–8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees and some of the experts in the law came from Jerusalem and gathered around Jesus. 2 They saw some of his disciples eating bread with unclean (that is, unwashed) hands. 3 In fact, the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they scrub their hands with a fist, holding to the tradition of the elders. 4 When they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions they adhere to, such as the washing of cups, pitchers, kettles, and dining couches. 5 The Pharisees and the experts in the law asked Jesus, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders? Instead they eat bread with unclean hands.” 6 He answered them, “Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites. As it is written: These people honor me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. 7 They worship me in vain, teaching human rules as if they were doctrines. 8 “You abandon God’s

commandment but hold to human tradition like the washing of pitchers and cups, and you do many other such things.” 14 He called the crowd to him again and said, “Everyone, listen to me and understand. 15 There is nothing outside of a man that can make him unclean by going into him. But the things that come out of a man are what make a man unclean. 21 “In fact, from within, out of people’s hearts, come evil thoughts, sexual sins, theft, murder, 22 adultery, greed, wickedness, deceit, unrestrained immorality, envy, slander, arrogance, and foolishness. 23 All these evil things proceed from within and make a person unclean.”

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!!!