## Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost September 15, 2024

Pastor Daniel Sargent Pastor

Becky Marotz Organist

Darlene Nohr & Diane Loll Greeters

Dan Maedke, Randy & Brenda Polzin,

Lisa Sargent Counting Team

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** Lord, we pray that your mercy and grace may always go before and follow after us that, loving you with undivided hearts, we may be ready for every good and useful work; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

<b>Order of Service</b>	Service of the Word & Sacrament, page 26
Hymns	221, 347, 310, 434
First Lesson	Isaiah 50:4-10
Psalm of the Day	Psalm 116, Page 107
<b>Second Lesson</b>	James 2:1-5, 8-10, 14-18
<b>Gospel Lesson</b>	Mark 8:27-35
<b>Confession of Faith</b>	Nicene Creed
<b>Sermon Text</b>	Mark 8:27-35
<b>Worship Theme</b>	"How Will You Answer?"

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:

\*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.

Anniversary Offering The Anniversary Planning Committee has made arrangements for members to participate in the 150th Anniversary Celebration through a special offering. Envelopes have been placed in the Narthex for members who wish to contribute to the estimated costs of \$1,500 for the Anniversary Celebration. These are the costs for the banners, the anniversary booklets and the guest preacher's expenses.

"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.

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 TODAY, September 15 and next Sunday, September 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.



Bible Study 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.

Mom's Bible Study Our next Bible Study will be Tuesday, October 1 at 9:30am 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. 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 flyin 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)

**BETTY NISCHKE** 

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

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

Those Who Joined Us in Worship 9/8/2024	207
Live Stream Service 9/8/2024 (Households)	17
Sunday School/Bible Study 9/8/2024	22/14
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (36 weeks)	168

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Monday 6:30pm Zion Service

Tuesday 10:00am Board of Elders

Wednesday 4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)

Thursday 5:00pm Ladies Night Out @ "The Landing"

Friday 8:15am School Chapel Devotion

Sunday 9:00am Sunday School/Bible Study

10:00am Worship Service

Next Sunday's Counting Team: Team "D" - Shane Seefeldt, Mark & Eunice Kamps

Next Sunday's Greeters: Randy & Brenda Polzin

## Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 8/25/2024	\$	5,059.06
General Fund Income for 9/1/2024	\$	5,277.14
General Fund Income for 9/8/2024	\$	7,017.75
Total General Fund Income (11 weeks)	\$	62,110.68
Church offering Goal: weekly @ \$6,282.33	\$	69,105.63
(11 weeks) (projection-\$326,681)		
Total Church Offering Goal <b>DEFICIT</b>	-\$	6,994.95

#### Included in General Fund Income Total:

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

CMO - \$25; LYG - \$130; School Missions - \$50; Church Organ - \$25; Sunday School Missions - \$6; Hot Lunch - \$480; School Undesignated/T-shirts - \$60

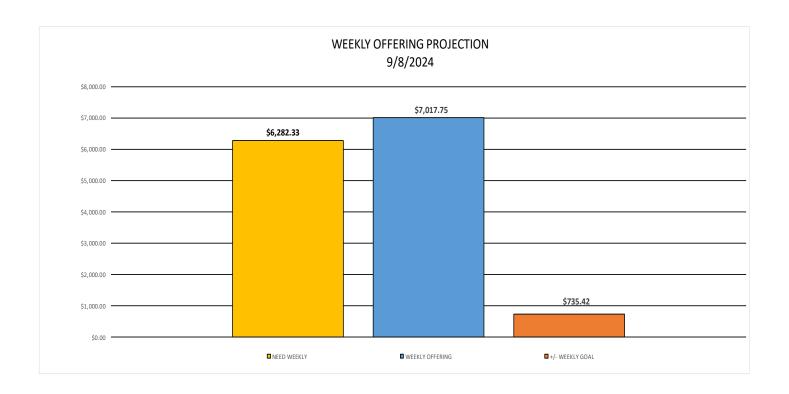
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## **Memorials & Special Gifts Received**

Link to Electronic giving page.

Just scan with your phone.





#### TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR SEPTEMBER'S LADIES NIGHT OUT

**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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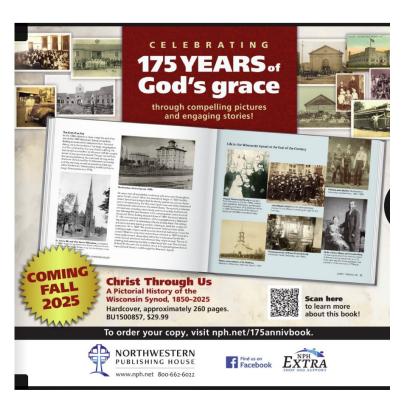
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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

Thursday 7:30am-2:30pm



#### **School News**

- ⇒ Our cross country team participated in its first meet of the season, which was hosted by Mt. Olive at Appleton Memorial Park this past Monday, September 9th. The 3-5 grade boys placed 8th out of 15 teams thanks to speedy runs from Owen Kamps, Sawyer Kamps, and Sam Langebartels. Brylie McClain and Sam Bolyard competed in the 6-8 grade divisions. Congratulations to everyone who participated. Our next meet will be at Fox Valley Lutheran on Sept. 23.
- ⇒ For our first semester mission offering, we will be donating to help Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and Academy in Downers Grove, Illinois whose facilities were badly damaged in a fire on July 29, 2024, three weeks before school was due to begin. Good Shepherd has a preschool through Grade 8 program similar to ours here at St. John. It is our prayer that the church and school will be able to rebuild soon.
- ⇒ Our weekly chapel services will be held in church on Fridays at 8:15. Parents and visitors are always welcome to attend. We will also post the recording of these devotions on both our school and church Facebook pages.

## 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 ISAIAH 50:4-10

4 The LORD God gave me a tongue like the learned, an instructed tongue, so I know how to sustain the weary with a word. He wakes me up morning by morning. He wakes up my ears so that I listen like the learned. 5 The LORD God opened my ear, and I myself was not rebellious. I did not turn back. 6 I submitted my back to those who beat me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard. I did not hide my face from disgrace and from spit. 7 The LORD God will help me, so I will not be disgraced. Therefore I have made my face hard like flint. I know that I will not be put to shame. 8 The one who will acquit me is near! Who can accuse me? Let us take our stand. Who can pass judgment on me? Let him approach me. 9 Look, the LORD God will help me. Who then can declare me guilty? Look, all of them will wear out like a garment. A moth will consume them. 10 Who among you worships the LORD and listens to the voice of his servant? Anyone who walks in darkness and who has no bright light— let him trust in the name of the LORD, and let him lean on his God.

# PSALM OF THE DAY SECOND LESSON

PSALM 116(PAGE 107) JAMES 2:1-5, 8-10, 14-18

My brothers, have faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ without showing favoritism. 2 For example, suppose a man enters your worship assembly wearing gold rings and fine clothing, and a poor man also enters wearing filthy clothing. 3 If you look with favor on the man wearing fine clothing and say, "Sit here in this good place," but you tell the poor man, "Stand over there" or "Sit down here at my feet," 4 have you not made a distinction among yourselves and become judges with

evil opinions? 5 Listen, my dear brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom, which he promised to those who love him? 8 However, if you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. 9 But if you show favoritism, you are committing a sin, since you are convicted by this law as transgressors. 10 In fact, whoever keeps the whole law but stumbles in one point has become guilty of breaking all of it. 14 What good is it, my brothers, if someone says that he has faith but has no works? Such "faith" cannot save him, can it? 15 If a brother or sister needs clothes and lacks daily food 16 and one of you tells them, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well," but does not give them what their body needs, what good is it? 17 So also, such "faith," if it is alone and has no works, is dead. 18 But someone will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

**VERSE OF THE DAY** Alleluia. Everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. Alleluia. (Romans 15:4 cf. NIV)

GOSPEL MARK 8:27–35

27 Jesus went away with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" 28 They told him, "John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others say one of the prophets." 29 "But who do you say I am?" he asked them. Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." 30 Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him. 31 Jesus began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many

things; be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the experts in the law; be killed; and after three days rise again. 32 He was speaking plainly to them. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But after turning around and looking at his disciples, Jesus rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! You do not have your mind set on the things of God, but the things of men." 34 He called the crowd and his disciples together and said to them, "If anyone wants to follow me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. 35 For whoever wants to save his life will lose it. But whoever loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it."

#### HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!!!



#### **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.