



**The Evangelical Lutheran Church
of St. John**

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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 5, 2021

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Organist
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	Service of the Word & Sacrament, page 26
Hymns	478, 455, 309, 474
First Lesson	Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
Psalms 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	Ephesians 6:10-20
Worship Theme	“The Belt of Truth!”

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.

Large Print Bulletins Large print editions of today’s bulletin and Scripture lessons are available from one of the ushers. Please request one if it is needed.

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

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.

Sunday School Sunday School will resume next Sunday, September 12 at 8:30am.



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

Registration: Forms to register you children for Sunday School are available from the ushers. Please take a form and return it to the ushers when you have filled in the information.

Bible Study We will return to Bible Study next Sunday, September 12 at 8:30am.



E-giving(Online Giving) There will be some changes coming by the end of September for the E-giving Mobile App. Please watch for the upcoming changes.

Smartphone thru a QR scan code. You must download any "QR code reader" app. Open the app and scan the QR code(to the right). It'll take you directly to our e-giving webpage. Create your online profile and follow steps for adding transaction.



If you have questions, please feel free to call Brenda(920-660-5801) or Dave Kaus(715-923-9494).

Funeral Volunteers To better accommodate families who are serving lunch at funerals, we are looking for volunteers to help. If any men or women are willing to help funeral families requesting assistance, please sign up on the volunteer list located on the bulletin board.

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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Church Softball Play some church softball this summer for fun & fellowship with brothers and sisters from WELS churches in the area! We will play at 1 p.m. next Sunday, September 12 at St. John. It is for any male or female of all ages. You don't have to be good to come and play.

Livestream Volunteers We are still in need of volunteers to help with the live-streaming. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Sargent.



2021 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 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. John, Grover by Pastor Daniel Sargent.

Last Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Those Who Joined Us in Worship (8/29/2021)	109
Live Stream Service 8/29/2021 (Households)	14
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (35 weeks)	117

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Monday	LABOR DAY—NO SCHOOL NO ZION SERVICE
Friday	8:10am School Chapel Devotion
Sunday	8:30am Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30am Worship Service 10:30am CEA Meeting

Next Sunday’s Counting Team: Team “E” - Scott & Sue Schonfeld, Dave & Patti Bornick

Offerings for the Lord’s Work

General Fund Income for 8/15/2021	\$ 5,206.50
General Fund Income for 8/22/2021	\$ 5,347.30
General Fund Income for 8/29/2021	\$ 4,660.75
Total General Fund Income (9 weeks)	\$ 48,817.66
Budget Goal: weekly @ \$5,826.92 (9 weeks) (projection-\$303,000)	\$ 52,442.28
Total Budget DEFICIT in Offerings	\$ 3,624.62
Tuition/School Choice (projection-\$227,800)	\$ 20,750/\$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:

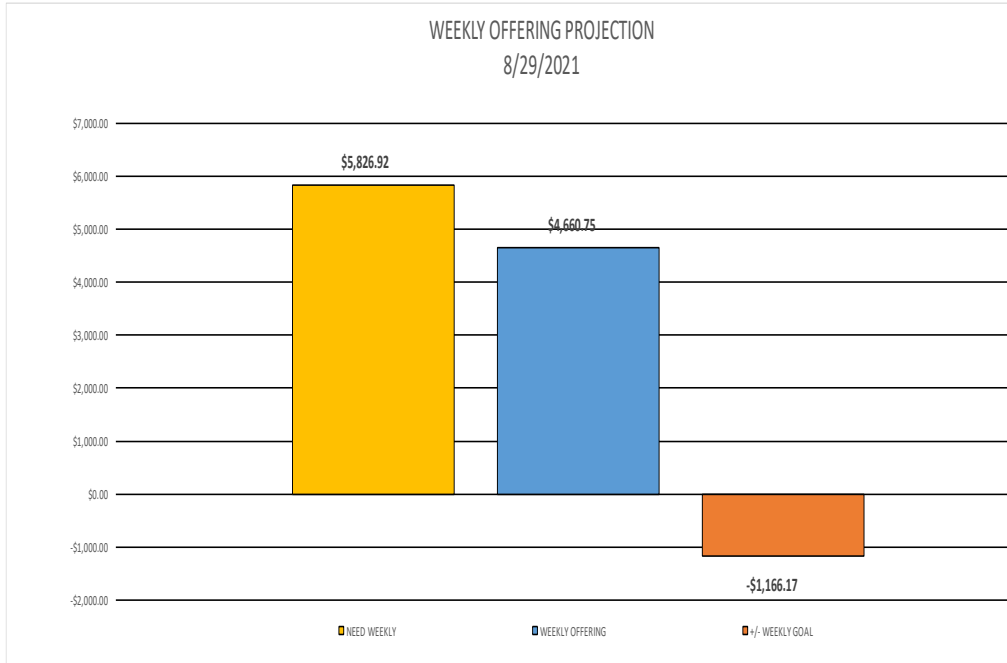
E-giving - \$1,152.75; Meditation books - \$42

Special Gifts & Offerings

CMO - \$150; Ladies’ Aid - \$1,511.41; Gym/Fellowship/Bldg - \$20

Memorials & Special Gifts Received:

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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

Thursday 7:30am-12pm

(subject to change)



School News

- ⇒ On Friday, August 27, our students in Grades K-8 went on a school field trip to the Marinette County Fair in Wausaukee. They had the opportunity to support fellow classmates who were showing various animals at the fair. A picnic lunch at the Crivitz Veterans Community Park concluded the trip.
- ⇒ Our weekly chapel services will be held in church on Fridays at 8:10. Parents and visitors are welcome to attend.
- ⇒ Our mission offering for the first semester will go to WELS Christian Aid and Relief. This organization provides valuable assistance to people in the United States and around the world who are suffering from the effects of floods, fires, earthquakes and other catastrophes. With the recent earthquake in Haiti and the devastation caused by Hurricane Ida, our offerings will be of great help.
- ⇒ There will be no school on Labor Day, Monday, September 6.

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 mes-

sage 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!

