

Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 10, 2024

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Pastor
Organist

Greeters

Counting Team

PRAYER OF THE DAY Almighty God, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask you graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with your salvation; 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	Service of the Word w/Baptism, page 12/39
Hymns	295, 395(Blue Hymnal), 392, 107
First Lesson	Numbers 21:4-9
Choir Song	“Brighter Than Snow”
Second Lesson	Ephesians 2:4-10
Gospel Lesson	John 3:14-21
Confession of Faith	Apostles’ Creed
Sermon Text	John 3:14-21
Worship Theme	“Snake on a Stick!”

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.


Prayer Requests Please remember the following in your prayers:
*Lainey Grace Bushmaker as she receives the blessing of Holy

Baptism.

*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.

Easter Flowers A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board to bring Easter lilies to decorate the church. Identify if the plant is being given for a special occasion or in memory of loved ones. 

LWMS Spring Rally The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) SPRING Rally for our Lake Superior circuit will be held on Saturday, April 13, 2024 at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Iron Mountain, 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 Mt. Olive Lutheran Church to help them prepare for this event.

A door offering will be collected on the Sundays of March 17 and March 24 to help support the mission projects. Information about the mission projects can be found on the bulletin board. At this Spring Rally there will be a collection of the small size pill bottles with labels removed. You may place them in the box near the coat rack for delivery to the rally.



On Saturday March 23rd from 9:00-11:30 Zion will be hosting a one-day Bible School event called Easter for Kids! We are inviting children ages 3 to 10 to join

us. There will be stories, crafts, games, snacks and songs. Most importantly, we will learn about the true meaning of Easter: Jesus Rises from the Dead! If you are planning to send your child, please pre-register so that we can plan accordingly by scanning the QR code. you are interested in helping, please talk to Mr. Alex.



Baptism Lainey Grace Bushmaker, daughter of Mitch and Lily Bushmaker, will receive God’s washing of Holy Baptism during the service today. May the Lord bless and keep this child in his baptismal grace.

Quilters St. John Quilters are extending to the ladies of the congregation to join their quilting group. They meet on Tuesdays from 9am-3pm in the church basement. You don’t have to know how to sew and you don’t have to stay all day. For more information, call Linda Rich at 715-938-0224.



 **Holy Week Schedule** Please note the following schedule for our upcoming Holy Week Services:

March 24	Palm Sunday Worship	10:00am
March 28	Maundy Thursday w/Communion	6:30pm
March 29	Good Friday w/Communion	1:00pm
March 31	Easter Sunday w/Communion	10:00am

Lenten Services We continue with our Mid-Week Lenten Services on Wednesday at 2:00pm. We are exchanging pulpits with area churches with Pastor Ryan Landwehr preaching at St. John this week.



Grief Support Group Grace Lutheran, Crivitz is doing a Grief Share Group. Grief Share is an opportunity for help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or

friend. The support group will consist of a video seminar by grief recovery experts connected with truths from the Bible, small group discussion and a personal workbook with daily exercises. Our Grief Share group will meet weekly on Thursdays from 6-7:30 p.m. Come or invite a friend that could use a grief support group.



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!!

Bible Study Our Bible Study is called **“Grand Themes & Key Words”**. This Sunday we will we will look at what is meant by the important symbol of the number, **“Seven”**. Next Sunday we will look at the number **“Twelve”**. Please come and join us for this study at 9:00.



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 *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

Wednesday Lenten Service/Livestream 2/28/2024	24/5
Those Who Joined Us in Worship 3/3/2021	183
Live Stream Service 3/3/2024 (Households)	15
Sunday School/Bible Study 3/3/2024	22/11
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (9 weeks)	151

This Week at St. John Ev. Lutheran

Monday 6:00pm Church Council
6:30pm Zion Service

Tuesday 9:00am Quilters Group (9am-3pm)

Wednesday 2:00pm Mid-week Lenten Service (Landwehr)
4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-5:30pm)

Thursday 6:00pm Grief Share Group @ Grace, Crivitz (6-7:30)

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" - Matt & Ronda Lemke,
Gup & Melissa Gannigan

Next Sunday's Greeters: Randy & Brenda Polzin

Offerings for the Lord's Work

General Fund Income for 2/18/2024	\$ 5,427.75
General Fund Income for 2/25/2024	\$ 9,558.75
General Fund Income for 3/3/2024	\$ 5,576.00
Total General Fund Income (36 weeks)	\$216,621.30
Church Offering Goal: Weekly@\$6,174.50 (36 weeks)	\$222,282.00
(Projection - \$321,074)	
Total Church Offering Goal Deficit	-\$ 5,660.70
Tuition/School Choice (Projection - \$253,424)	\$39,801.11/\$192,913.50

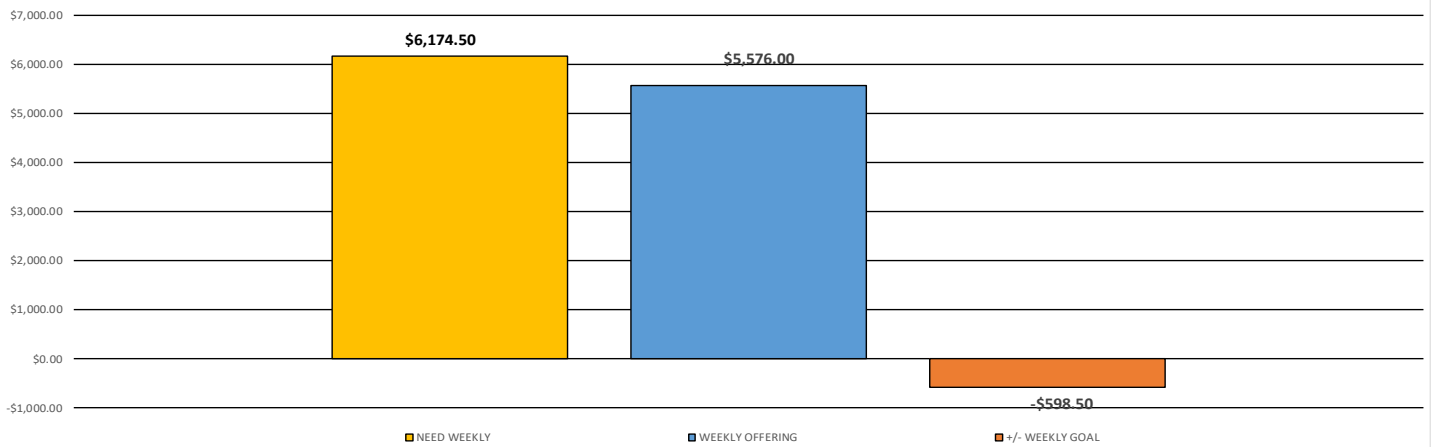
Special Gifts & Offerings:

Sunday School Missions - \$29.50; LYG - \$30; School Missions - \$53; Hot Lunch - \$98; Ladies Aid/Meditation Books - \$17; CMO - \$100; Choir - \$20; Quilters - \$100

Memorials & Special Gifts Received

General - In memory of Kathy VanHecke from Karen Bintz
Choir - In memory of Kathy VanHecke from John & Vicki Duescher
Quilters - In memory of Kathy VanHecke from Janet Lange

WEEKLY OFFERING PROJECTION
3/3/2024



School News

- ⇒ Lutheran Pioneers is hosting their annual Pine Car Derby at Zion, in Peshtigo this afternoon, Sunday, March 10. The garage and kitchen will open at 12 pm with the race starting at 1:00 pm.
- ⇒ We had another successful Preschool/Kindergarten Round-up last Thursday, February 29. Our 3K and 4K classes have filled up, but we can add names to our waiting list in case anything changes between now and registration in August. If you are looking for places in Kindergarten through Grade 8, please contact Mr. Aguilar or Mrs. Sargent in the school office or email school@stjohnpeshtigo.org.
- ⇒ St. John is now part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP). Open enrollment ends Thursday, April 18. If you are interested in sending your child(ren) to St. John, please check out this valuable program. Parents who would like to apply for the 2024-2025 school year can contact our School Choice Administrator Hannah Langebartels at choiceadmin@stjohnpeshtigo.org or (414) 758-8607 for more information.

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Office hours @ St. John School

Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm

Thursday 7:30am-2:30pm

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FIRST LESSON**NUMBERS 21:4–9**

4 They set out from Mount Hor along the road to the Red Sea to go around the land of Edom, but the people became very impatient along the way. 5 The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? Look, there is no food! There is no water! And we are disgusted by this worthless food!” 6 The LORD sent venomous snakes among the people, and the snakes bit the people. As a result many people from Israel died. 7 The people went to Moses and said, “We have sinned, because we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD to take the snakes away from us.” So Moses prayed on behalf of the people. 8 The LORD said to Moses, “Make a venomous snake and put it on a pole. If anyone who is bitten looks at it, he will live.” 9 Moses made a bronze snake and put it on the pole. If a snake had bitten anyone, if that person looked at the bronze snake, he lived.

CHOIR SONG**“BRIGHTER THAN SNOW”****SECOND LESSON****EPHESIANS 2:4–10**

4 But God, because he is rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in trespasses. It is by grace you have been saved! 6 He also raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly places in

Christ Jesus. 7 He did this so that, in the coming ages, he might demonstrate the surpassing riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8 Indeed, it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not by works, so that no one can boast. 10 For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared in advance so that we would walk in them.

VERSE OF THE DAY For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

GOSPEL

JOHN 3:14–21

14 “Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, 15 so that everyone who believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 16 “For God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. 18 The one who believes in him is not condemned, but the one who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only-begotten Son of God. 19 This is the basis for the judgment: The light has come into the world, yet people loved the darkness rather than the light, because their deeds were evil. 20 In fact, everyone who practices wicked things hates the light and

does not come toward the light, or else his deeds would be exposed. 21 But the one who does what is true comes toward the light, in order that his deeds may be seen as having been done in connection with God.”

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!!!

Alleluia: Historically, Christians do not sing Alleluia starting the first Sunday in Lent. On Ash Wednesday we began the season of Lent. It is a time for repentance and reflection. We don't sing or say the Alleluia during Lent because the joyfulness of the Alleluia doesn't fit it. During Lent we are waiting for the kingdom to come, not the kingdom having come. That is reserved for the Easter "Alleluia", which actually means "Praise God". Don't worry though, the Alleluia makes a triumphant return at Easter, and it's better than ever!



Ladies Night Out Winter Schedule 2024

Thursday, March 21st
Schooner's in Menominee

Thursday, April 18th
Crivello's in Oconto

Anyone questions, please call Marquita at 715-582-3304
4:30pm Social - Dinner 5:00pm

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.

We will be remembering this **150th Anniversary** with special prayers on Sunday, December 31, 2023. The Church Elders have set aside the date of **October 13th, 2024** for a special Anniversary Service to be held at 4:00pm with a potluck meal after the service.

The Elders are asking for volunteers to help form an Anniversary Committee for this special service.



Wednesday Lent Worship

2024

Christ, Menominee 6:30pm

Grace, Crivitz 12:00pm

Our Savior, Lena/St Mark, Spruce 6:30pm

St John, Grover 2:00pm

Trinity, Coleman 6:00pm

Trinity, Marinette 3:30pm

Zion, Peshtigo 6:30pm

Calvary, Abrams Thursday 6:30pm



WELS INTERNATIONAL YOUTH RALLY
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ISAIAH 40:9

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