

*17th Sunday after Pentecost  
September 24, 2023*

***Pastor Daniel Sargent***

***Jim Seefeldt***

***Darlene Nohr, Diane Loll***

***Kevyn Lange, Brent & Wanda Richlen***

***Pastor***

***Organist***

***Greeters***

***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.

**Order of Service**

**Service of the Word, page 38**

**Hymns**

**226, 383, 493, 384**

**First Lesson**

**Genesis 50:15-21**

**Psalm of the Day**

**Psalm 103 (page 105)**

**Second Lesson**

**Romans 14:5-9**

**Gospel Lesson**

**Matthew 18:21-35**

**Confession of Faith**

**Apostles' Creed**

**Sermon Text**

**Genesis 50:15-21**

**Worship Theme**

**"Can I Forgive?"**

***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:


\*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 stjohngrover@gmail.com by Wednesday afternoon.


*Thank You* **Thank You** The family of Caroline Tackmier would like to thank Pastor Sargent, Jim Seefeldt, those who served the meal and brought food, and those who expressed their sympathy at our mother Caroline Tackmier's funeral on Saturday, September 9. Your expressions of concern and encouragement showed how precious it is to be part of a community united by faith in Jesus.


*Bill, Marc, Kristi, Jodene and families*


**New Calendar** The October, 2023 calendar is available on the  table.

**WELS Connection** We will be viewing the September, 2023 WELS Connection at the end of the service today.

**Audit Committee** On Saturday, October 14, we will be having our In-House Audit meeting for fiscal 2023. It will be held in school at 9:00am. Any council members are welcome to join us.

 **Adult Bible Study** There will be Adult Bible Study at Zion, Peshtigo at 6:00pm on Thursday, October 5.

**Voices Needed** We are looking for members to join our church choir. First choir practice is Monday, September 25 at 6:15pm. 

 **LWMS Fall Rally** The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) Fall Rally for our Lake Superior circuit will be held at Our Savior in Lena, WI, on October 14<sup>th</sup>. All women of our

congregation are invited and welcomed to attend.

At the rally we will be collecting devotional materials and other Christian literature to send to Green Bay.

**Please save your coats and winter gear until our NEXT fall rally. We will not be collecting pill bottles at this rally either, but we hope to at rallies to come, so don't throw them away yet!**

There is a sign up sheet on the church bulletin board as well as more information for people who are interested in attending, and this sign up sheet will be used to RSVP to Our Savior to help them prepare for this event.

**DOOR OFFERING FOR THE RALLY WILL BE HELD TODAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH.**



***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.

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



***Bible Study*** Our Bible Study is called "**Grand Themes & Key Words**". We will look at Jesus' title "**Priest**" on Sunday September 17. Next Sunday we will be looking at his title "**Prophet**". 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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**Livestream Volunteers** We are still in need of volunteers to help with the live-streaming. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Sargent.

**2023 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 *Grace, Crivitz by Pastor David Mielke*.

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

Those Who Joined Us in Worship 9/17/2023	129
Live Stream Service 9/17/2023 (Households)	12
Sunday School/Bible Study (9/17/2023)	27/12
Average Sunday Attendance for the Year (37 weeks)	139

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

- Monday 6:30pm Zion Service
- Tuesday 6:30pm Board of Education
- Wednesday 4:30pm Confirmation Class (4:30-6pm)
- Friday 8:15am School Chapel Devotion
- Saturday 10:30am Peshtigo Historical Day Parade
- Sunday 9:00am Sunday School/Bible Study
- 10:00am Worship Service w/Communion

Next Sunday’s Counting Team: Team “A” - Dan Maedke, Randy & Brenda Polzin, Lisa Sargent

Next Sunday’s Greeters: Lisa Sargent & Connie Seefeldt

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

General Fund Income for 9/3/2023	\$ 6,441.75
General Fund Income for 9/10/2023	\$ 5,739.75
General Fund Income for 9/17/2023	\$ 4,527.75
Total General Fund Income (12 weeks)	\$ 59,193.50
Church Offering Goal: Weekly@ \$6,174.50 (12 weeks) (Projection - \$321,074)	\$ 74,094.00
Total Church Offering Goal <b><i>Deficit</i></b>	-\$ 14,900.50
Tuition/School Choice (Projection - \$253,424)	\$25,952.50/

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

E-giving - \$2,022.75

### ***Special Gifts & Offerings:***

School Undesignated/T-shirts - \$30; CMO - \$40; Sunday School Missions - \$11.75; School Missions - \$52.25; Hot Lunch - \$88; Future Church Workers - \$10; New Hymnals - \$1,000; Church Organ - \$100

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

General - In memory of Caroline Tackmier from Glen Hogan

General - In memory of Caroline Tackmier from Barbara Kolb

Hymnals - In memory of Caroline Tackmier from Bill Tackmier

Hymnals - In memory of Caroline Tackmier from Dorothy Hollenbach

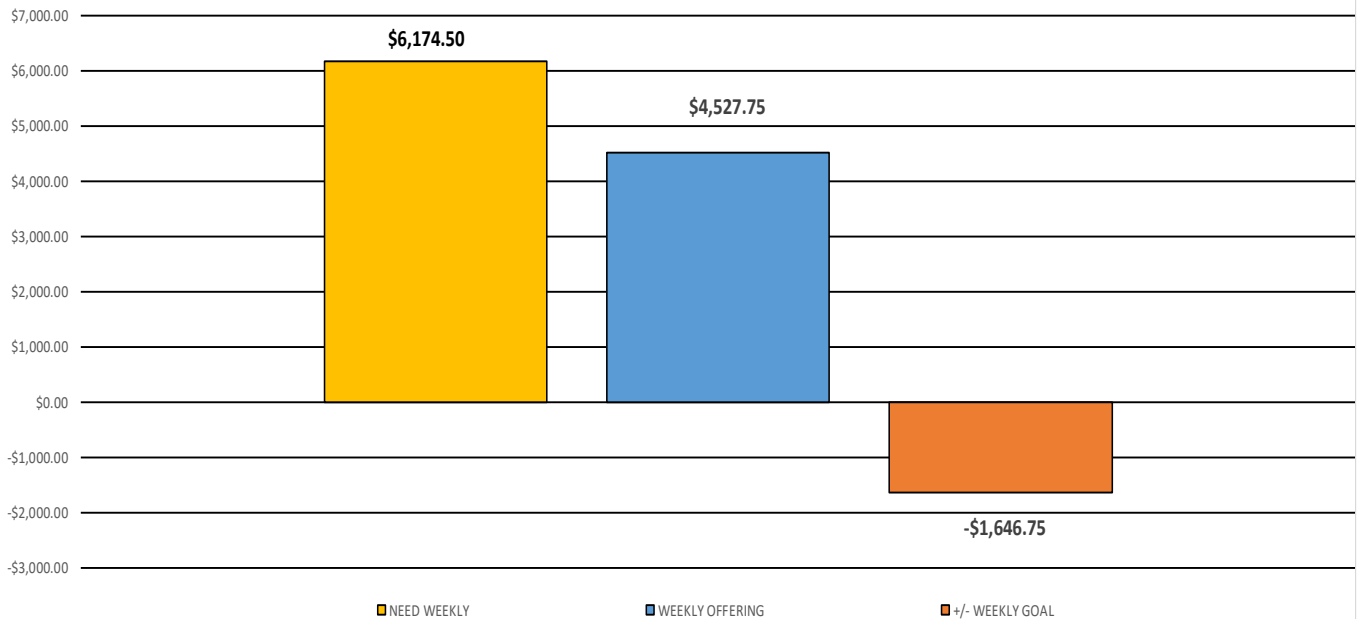
Missions - In memory of Caroline Tackmier from Dale & Colleen Seefeldt

Future Church Workers - In memory of Caroline Tackmier from Lyle & Dee Retlich

Church Organ - In memory of Caroline Tackmier from Jim & Connie Seefeldt

## WEEKLY OFFERING PROJECTION

9/17/2023



### School News

- ⇒ Our cross country team participated in their final meet at Fox Valley Lutheran High School in Appleton on Monday. It was another beautiful afternoon to run! Sam Bolyard, Owen Kamps, Brylie McClain, & Nate Olson all ran well. It was a short but fun season for all!
- ⇒ Our first semester mission offering will be going to support a new WELS church being formed in Marquette, MI. The WELS is in the process of starting 100 new missions over the next 10 years, and this site was chosen as a place where there is great potential for ministry.
- ⇒ Our weekly chapel services will be held in church on Fridays at 8:15 am. Parents and visitors are welcome to attend. We will also post the recording of these devotions on both our school and church Facebook pages.

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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.**





**FIRST LESSON****GENESIS 50:15–21**

15 When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and will pay us back in full for all of the evil that we did to him." 16 They sent the following message to Joseph: "Before he died your father commanded us, 17 'You are to tell Joseph, "Please forgive the offense of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.'" Now, please forgive the offense of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. 18 His brothers also came and fell down in front of him, and they said, "See now, we are your servants." 19 Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid, for am I in the place of God? 20 You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring this to pass and to keep many people alive, as it is this day. 21 Now therefore do not be afraid. I will nourish you and your little ones." He comforted them and spoke to them in a kind way.

**PSALM OF THE DAY****PSALM 103 (PAGE 105)****SECOND LESSON****ROMANS 14:5–9**

5 One person values one day above another. Another person values every day the same. Let each person be fully convinced in his own mind. 6 The person who honors a certain day does this for the Lord, and the person who eats does this for the Lord, because he gives thanks to God. And the person who does not eat does this for the Lord and gives thanks to God. 7 In fact, not one of us lives for himself, and not one dies for himself. 8 Indeed, if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord. So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. 9 For this reason he died, rose, and lived, to be Lord

of both the dead and the living.

**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)

**GOSPEL**

**MATTHEW 18:21–35**

21 Then Peter came up and asked Jesus, “Lord, how many times must I forgive my brother when he sins against me? As many as seven times?” 22 Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but I tell you as many as seventy-seven times. 23 For this reason the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. 24 When he began to settle them, a man who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him. 25 Because the man was not able to pay the debt, his master ordered that he be sold, along with his wife, children, and all that he owned to repay the debt. 26 “Then the servant fell down on his knees in front of him, saying, ‘Master, be patient with me, and I will pay you everything!’ 27 The master of that servant had pity on him, released him, and forgave him the debt. 28 “But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him one hundred denarii. He grabbed him and began choking him, saying, ‘Pay me what you owe!’ 29 “So his fellow servant fell down and begged him, saying, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay you back!’ 30 But he refused. Instead he went off and threw the man into prison until he could pay back what he owed. 31 “When his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were very distressed. They went and reported to their master everything that had taken place. 32 “Then his master called him in and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt when

you begged me to. 33 Should you not have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had mercy on you?' 34 His master was angry and handed him over to the jailers until he could pay back everything he owed. 35 "This is what my heavenly Father will also do to you unless each one of you forgives his brother from his heart."

**HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!!!**