**4th Sunday in Lent March 3, 2024**

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)

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**WELCOME**! It’s our privilege to have you join us in being in the Presence of our Lord and Savior! At St. John, we follow the historic Liturgy of the Christian Church, which highlights the Biblical understanding of the True worship of God: *first and foremost*, that He Comes into our presence to give us His Saving Gifts (“Divine Service”) in His Word and Sacraments; and then, in *response,* we thank and praise Him in word and song, and pray for His continued Blessings.

**Who should receive Holy Communion at St. John?:** *All Confirmed members* are invited to Commune, who are sorry for their sins and wish to be Forgiven and Strengthened. Also, *visitors from other L.C.-M.S. and T.A.A.L.C. churches*, who fit the same description, are welcome. So that no one else might eat and drink in Judgment of their sins (1 Cor. 11:29), *all others are asked to refrain* from Communing. If you’re in doubt, please see Pastor or an Elder.

Prelude

**Opening Hymn:** “The Law of God Is Good and Wise” ~ ***LSB* #579**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** “Divine Service, *Setting 3” ~* ***LSB* pp.184ff.**

*Introit* (see 1st white insert**;** read responsively by half Verse)

“Growing as One” (purple insert)

Readings (see first white insert)

Gradual (see front of same insert; read responsively by half Verse).

**Hymn of the Day**: “May God Bestow on Us His Grace” ~ ***LSB* #824 (memory)**

**Sermon**: “Disruptive Jesus” *John 2:13-22*

**Distribution Hymns:**

“Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways” ~ ***LSB* #707**

“I Know My Faith Is Founded” ~ ***LSB* #587**

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory” ~ ***LSB* #427**

“**Closing Hymn:** “God of Grace and God of Glory” ~ ***LSB* #850**

Postlude

**STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**DATE: SERVICE             ATTENDANCE   COMMUNION**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 2-25: 8:00 | 44 | 36 |
| 2-25: 10:00 | 42 | 38 |
| 2-25: Total | 86 | 74 |
| 2-251 SS / Bible Class | 1 / 5 |  |
| 2-28: Bible Study | 4 |  |
| 2-28 noon | 24 |  |
| 2-28 7:00 | 20 |  |

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Organist**: Kristen Weiss

**Ushers (8/10):** Greg Schave, Joe Landenberg, Tanton Babcock / Cody Brown, Gary Eggert

**Elder(s) (8/10):** Dan Blacker / Don Clark

**Acolyte** **(8/10):** Jett Zimmerman / Sophia Koglin

**Altar Guild**: Mary Eggert

**NEXT SUNDAY****Organist:** Kristen Weiss

**Ushers (****8/10):** Greg Schave, Joe Landenberg, Tanton Babcock / Gary Eggert, Cody Brown

**Elder(s) (8/10):** Greg Woodke / Harold Collings

**Acolyte** **(8/10):** Maddix Thoms / Sophia Koglin

**Altar Guild**: Mary Eggert

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

Psalm 107:1-9 543   
**O.T.**: Numbers 21:4-9 **571**

**Epistle:** Ephesians 2:1-10588; 756; 857

**Gospel:** **John 3:14-21**  700

**March Newsletters** are in your mailboxes.

**2024 Flower Chart** is up on the window in the entryway, Please sign up on your special occasion dates to provide flowers to beautify our Chancel; or call Vicki Koglin at **989-225-7060.**

**January – March *Portals of Prayer*** are available in the entryway basket.

**2024 Offering Envelopes** are available in the entryway.

**A friendly reminder: Newsletter submissions** are due to the church office by the 15th of the month preceding the month for publishing. **Bulletin announcements** are due to the church office by Thursday (9:00am) before the Sunday to be published, in writing.

The **March *Lutheran Witness*** (with ***Michigan In Touch***) is available on the entryway table.

**THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

|  |  |  |
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| Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, pp.184ff. |
|  | 9:00 | Sunday School / Bible Class |
|  | 10:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, pp.184ff. |
| Mon: | 4:00 | 6th Grade Confirmation |
| Wed: | 10:30 | Bible Study |
|  | 12:00 | Lenten Service |
|  | 5:00 | Soup/Sandwich Supper (vegetable beef barley & chicken noodle) |
|  | 7:00 | Lenten Service |
| Next Sun: |  | **Daylight Savings Time Begins** (spring forward) |
|  | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, pp.184ff. |
|  | 9:00 | Sunday School / Bible Class |
|  | 10:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, pp.184ff. |

**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday: *(Pastor & Sally):* **9am – 1pm; 2-3pm**

Tuesday: *(Pastor):* **9am – 12pm**

Wednesday *(Pastor &* *Sally*): **9am – 12pm**

Thursday: *(Pastor & Sally):* **9am – 12pm**

Friday: *(Pastor):* **9am – 12pm**

Please call ahead to ensure that someone is in at (989) 428-4140

**2022 Debt Fund**

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| --- | --- |
| **January 1- December 31, 2024** | |
| Total Needed  Received (2-26-24)  Received year to date  Amount Still Needed | $ 27,000.00  $ 100.00   $ 790.00   $ 19,960,00 |

**BUDGETED FINANCE REPORT - *Not Including Special Accounts***

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| --- | --- |
| **January 1- December 31, 2024** | |
| Needed per count  Received (2-26-24)  Needed year to date  Received year to date | $ 8,540.00  $ 5,960.00  $ 30,200.00   $ 31,755.00 |

Bulletins provided by Ramsey Funeral Home, Harbor Beach, MI Phone 800-251-8695

**PRAYER LISTS** The following members and friends areknown to be in the

hospital, ailing or recovering and are in need of our prayers, cards, and visits.

**MEMBER PRAYERS:**   
Rosemary Koglin; Roger Friedland; Logan Phillips; Lavern & Brenda Friedland; Valerie Woodke, Lyle Schave

**SHUT-INS:**

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| Yvonne Fuhrman | Jack Noble | Jeffrey Schave |
| Norma Johnson  (Lakeview E.C., H.B.) | Jeanette Piotter  (Lakeview E.C., H.B.) | Sandy Struble (Meadow Lane, B.A.) |
| Joyce Koglin  (Meadow Lane, B.A.) | Elmer/Ruth Leese | Gary Schave (Meadow Lane, B.A.) |
| Jeannie Woodke (Huron Co. Medical) |  |  |

**FRIENDS:**

Isabel Mix (great-granddaughter of Elmer & Ruth Leese)

Reecilyn Joy (daughter of Michael and Julie Joy)

Gordon Summers

Karen Kreh (daughter of Joyce Koglin)

Daryl Sengstock

Natalie Morgan (daughter of Shannon Popour’s co-worker)

David Sias (great-grandson of Elmer & Ruth Leese)

Debbie Pokora (sister-in-law of Mary Eggert)

Jaxon Bates (infant great-grandson of Elmer & Ruth Leese)

Ryder Finkel (grandson of Don & Linda Finkel)

Daniel Polega

Duane Schave

Quentin Musolff (grandson of Harlan & Ann Reinke)

Chris Verellen (husband of Kari Verellen)

**In Memory of Bernice Hass and Luke Potestivo** a monetary donation has been received for the Trustee Fund: David & Irene Schelke

**The Huron County Right to Life** is sponsoring a FREE pro-life Teen Rally on Sunday, March 17th, from 2pm-5pm at the Bad Axe Middle School. Doors open at 1:30pm. It will be more interactive than ever before with ice breakers, Jeopardy, and Q&A opportunities. Please join us for an afternoon of friends, food, and fun. Register by emailing [huronrtl@gmail.com](mailto:huronrtl@gmail.com) with your name, shirt size, and phone number or by scanning the QR code on the flyer at [huronrtl.org](http://huronrtl.org/). Register by March 3rd to be entered in the early bird drawing. Have questions, contact Jeanne Gusa at 989-670-3315.

**A Smile from Sally**

