**3rd Sun. of Easter(“*Misericordias* *Domini*”)** ("**Good Shepherd**") **April 18, 2021**

“*Here I Stand*” Sunday – 500th anniversary of the Diet of Worms, 1521

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church

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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.

Today- the **“3rd Sunday of Easter”** – is referred to as **“*Misericordias Domini,*”** from **Psalm 33:5b**, “The Earth is full of the steadfast Love/*Mercy of the LORD*.” “*Misericordias Domini*” is Latin for “Mercy of the LORD.” Psalm 33:5b serves as the first part of **today’s “*Introit*”** antiphon.

**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 are in doubt, please see Pastor or an Elder.

Prelude

**Opening Hymn:** “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” ~ ***LSB* #711**

**Hymn:** “Shepherd of Tender Youth” ~ ***LSB* #864**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** “Divine Service, *Setting 1”* ***LSB* pp.151ff.**

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

“Growing as One” (see white insert)

Readings (see back of white insert)

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

**Hymn of the Day:** “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” ~ ***LSB* #709** **(memory)**

**Sermon: “The ‘I’s Have It!”** Ezekiel 34:11-16

**Post-Creed Hymn:** “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing” ~ ***LSB* #475**

**Offering Hymn:** “The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want” ~ ***LSB* #710**

**Closing Hymn:** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” ~ ***LSB* #656**

Postlude

**STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**DATE: SERVICE             ATTENDANCE   COMMUNION**

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| 4-11-21: 8:00 | 42 | 37 |
| 4-11-21: 9:30 | 45 | 35 |
| 4-11-21: Total | 87 | 72 |
| 4-14-21: Bible Study | 8 |  |

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Organist**: Kristen Weiss

**Ushers** (8/9:30): Marv Koglin, Bryce Schave / Les Weiss, Steven Weiss, Joe Weiss

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30) Joe Landenberg/ Gary Eggert

**Acolyte** (8/9:30): Wyatt Hoody / Logan Isler

**Altar Guild**: Ann Reinke, Darla Pankow

**NEXT SUNDAY   
Organist**: Kristen Weiss

**Ushers** (8/9:30): Marv Koglin, Bryce Schave / Les Weiss, Steven Weiss, Joe Weiss

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30) Greg Schave/ Larry Reinke

**Acolyte** (8/9:30): Jentry Zimmerman / Logan Isler

**Altar Guild**: Ann Reinke, Darla Pankow

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

**Psalm**: 147:1-11 483   
**O.T.:** Isaiah 40:25-31 826

OrLamentations 3:22-33

**Epistle:** 1 Peter 2:11-20 518:1,15,3

Or 1 John 3:1-3

**Gospel:** John 16:16-22 487

April - June ***Portals of Prayer*** are available in the entryway.

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

**April newsletters** are in your church boxes.  
  
 **A friendly reminder…**newsletter submissions are due to the church office by the 15th of the month preceding the month to publish. Bulletin announcements are due to the church office by Wednesday (9:00 am) before the Sunday to be published in writing.

**Barnabas Fund:** This fund is for the purpose of providing financial help for those in emergency need. Please consider donating toward this endeavor.

**2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are now available for pick up in the entryway. Please sign up on the numbered clip-board sheet on the bulletin table and take the corresponding numbered envelope box.

**2021 Flower Chart** is up on the wall in the entryway. Please sign up on your special occasion dates to provide flowers to beautify our Chancel. Or call Vicki Koglin 989-225-7060.

**THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

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| Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
|  | **10:45** | **VOTERS ASSEMBLY** |
| Mon: | 4:00 | 6th Confirmation Class |
| Tues: | 7:00 | Elders |
|  | 7:00 | Trustees |
| Wed: | 10:30 | Bible Study |
| Fri: | 5:30 | 7th Confirmation Class |
| Next Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
|  | 9:00 | Sunday School |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |

**Office Hours:**Monday: (*Pastor)* **9am – 11:30am; 1-2pm**Tuesday: (*Pastor* & *Kathy)*: **9am – 11:30am; 1-2pm**Wednesday: (*Pastor*): **9am – 11:30am**Thursday: (*Pastor* & *Kathy)*: **9am – 11:30am; 1-2pm**Friday: (Pastor & *Kathy):* **9am – 11:30am; 1-2pm**Please call ahead to ensure that someone is in at 989-428-4140.

**Stained Glass Window Fund**

Total Needed: $124,000.00

Received so far $109,195.00 Finance Board (4-12-21) $ 11,295.00

Amount Still Needed: $ 14,805.00

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

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| **January - December 31, 2021** | |
| Needed per count  Received (4-12-21)  Needed year to date  Received year to date | $ 8,150.00  $13,275.00  $57,050.00  $55,745.00 |

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 ***The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep***

Our Lord Jesus is the “Good Shepherd” (John 10:11–16). He is “not like the hireling, who cares nothing for the sheep” and only for himself, “who flees when he sees the wolf coming.” Rather, Jesus is the “Good Shepherd” who seeks out His scattered sheep to Deliver them (Ezek. 34:11–16). He gathers them and Feeds them in “Rich Pasture.” He Binds up the broken and Strengthens the sick. He “lays down His Life” for wandering and wayward sheep. On the Cross, Christ Bore in His Body the attacks of the predators of sin and death and the devil for you that you might be Saved. He now Lives to “Restore your soul” in the “still Waters” of Baptism, to “Lead you in the Paths of Righteousness” by the Voice of His Gospel, to “Prepare the Table” of His Holy Supper before you, that you may “Dwell in the House of the LORD forever” (Psalm 23). “*For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls*” (1 Peter 2:25).

**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**

Family of Robert Koglin, Beverly Brown, Pat Hasen; Those with COVID-19

**SHUT-INS**

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| Ivan/Betty Adkins | Yvonne Fuhrman | Jeffrey Schave |
| Arnold Brown | Hugh Harwood (Courtney Manor) | Wally Schave |
| Elaine Eggert (Lakeview E.C.) | Charlie Koglin (Courtney Manor) | Arlene Zelz (Lakeview E.C.) |
| Della Finkel   (Courtney Manor) | Elmer/Ruth Leese |  |
|  | Willard/Ramona Reinke |  |

**FRIENDS**

Brendan Durkee (grandson of Merle & Patsy Eggert)

Riley Durkee (granddaughter of Merle & Patsy Eggert)

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

Reecilyn Joy (daughter of Michael and Julie Joy)

Gordon Summers

Kathi Jahn (sister of Vicki Koglin)

Emmitt Gaffke (Frank & Irma Gaffke’s infant grandson)

Deborah Schubring (Ann’s daughter-in-law) (recovering from brain aneurism surgery)

All those affected by COVID-19.

Grilled Pork Steak – Today, Sunday April 18th from 3pm to 6pm or until 150 served at the **Grindstone Port Hope Sportsman Club**, 1601 Huron City Rd, Port Hope. Take out only – drive thru, no phone calls. Grilled pork steak, baked potato, sweeekt corn, macaroni salad, toss salad, bread and homemade desserts. $10.00 each.

**In Memory of Dave Schmaltz, a monetary gift has been given to the St. John Lutheran Stained Glass fund:** Ramona & Willard Reinke, Gary Eggert, Joyce Koglin

**In Memory of Nelson Erbish, a monetary gift has been given to the St. John Lutheran Stained Glass fund:** Ramona & Willard Reinke, Gary Eggert, Kathie & Larry Reinke, Rick Piotter, Susan B. Reinke, Jim & Diana Osentoski, Alan & Judy McTaggart, Orville Eggert, Herb & Betty Leese

**In Memory of Dorothy Roberts, a monetary gift has been given to the St. John Lutheran Stained Glass fund:** Gary Eggert

**In Memory of Darlene Ferensic, a monetary gift has been given to the St. John Lutheran Stained Glass fund:** Alan & Judy McTaggart, Butch & Brenda Friedland

**In Memory of Archie Talaski, a monetary gift has been given to the St. John Lutheran Stained Glass fund:** Karen Iseler