***Sexagesima* (Pre-Lent 2) February 20, 2022**

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.

Today – the **“2nd Sunday before Lent”** – is referred to as **“*Sexagesima*,”** Latin for “sixtieth” – that is, “[about] *60 days* before Easter.” It is part of the three Sunday “Pre-Lent” season on the historic “One-Year Series” Church Year Calendar.

**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 of the Day:** “Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart” ~ ***LSB* #806**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** Divine Service, *Setting 4*, ***LSB* pp.203ff.** *Introit* (See first white insert**;** read responsively by half Verse.)

 “Growing as One” (See green insert.)

 Readings (See back of 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**: “Parable of the Sower” *Luke 8:4-15*

**Distribution Hymns:** “How Firm a Foundation” ~ ***LSB* #728** “The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord” ~ ***LSB* #634**  (“Lord of All Hopefulness” ~ ***LSB* #738**)

**Closing Hymn:** “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus” ~ ***LSB* #660**

Postlude

***2022*** **Offering envelopes** are now available in the entryway.

We welcome today the **Rev. Lee Wenske,** *Emeritus,* Pigeon, MI, as he leads us in worship while Pastor Dodge is on vacation.

 **STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**DATE: SERVICE             ATTENDANCE   COMMUNION**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 2-13-22: 8:00  | 50 | 43 |
| 2-13-22: 9:30  | 38 | 32 |
| 2-13-22: Total | 88 | 75 |
| 2-16-22: Bible Study | 7 |  |

 **STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Organist:** Kristen Weiss

**Ushers (8/9:30):** Terry Emerick, Alan McTaggart / Albert Bender, Scott Iseler
**Elder(s) (8/9:30):** Greg Woodke / Les Weiss

**Acolyte (8/9:30):** Jett Zimmerman / Logan Iseler

**Altar Guild:** Vicki Koglin

**NEXT SUNDAY
Organist:** Kristen Weiss

**Ushers (8/9:30):** Terry Emerick, Alan McTaggart / Albert Bender, Scott Iseler

**Elder(s) (8/9:30):** Galen Young / Gary Eggert

**Acolyte** **(8/9:30):** Jentry Zimmerman / Wyatt Hoody

**Altar Guild**: Vicki Koglin

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

 **Psalm**: 89:18-29 or 146 706

 **O.T.:** 1 Samuel 16:1-13 849
 or Isaiah 35:3-7
 **Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 685, 861, 744
 **Gospel:** Luke 18:31-43 797

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

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

 **February newsletters** are in your mailboxes.

 **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 (9:00am) 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.

 **2022 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.**

**THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

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| Sun:  | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.203 |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.203 |
| Sun-Fri |  | Pastor’s Vacation 2/18 – 2/25 |
| Next Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.167 |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.167 |

Monday (*Kathy*): **1pm – 4pm**  Tuesday: **Office Closed**
Wednesday: **Office Closed**Thursday: (*Kathy*): **9am – 12pm**  Friday: (*Kathy*): **9am – 12pm**Please call ahead to ensure that someone is in at 989-428-4140.

**Stained Glass Window Fund**

Total Needed: $190,000.00

Received so far $147425.00 Finance Board (2-14-22) $ 3,205.00

Amount Still Needed: $ 42,575.00

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

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| --- |
| **January - December 31, 2021** |
| Needed per count Received (2-14-22) Needed year to date Received year to date  |  $ 8,235.00 $ 7,245.00  $24,705.00 $ 25,260.00  |

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Bulletins provided by Ramsey Funeral Home, Harbor Beach, MI Phone 800-251-8699 **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Scripture Alone***

The Sower Sows the Seed of His Word (Luke 8:4–15). This Word is Living and Powerful (Heb. 4:9–13) to Conceive New Life in those who hear it. But the Planting of Christ is attacked by the devil, the world, and the flesh. Satan snatches the Word away from hard hearts. The riches and pleasures of this life choke off faith. Shallow and emotional belief withers in time of temptation and trouble. But see how Christ Bears this attack for us! Christ’s Cross was planted in the hard and rocky soil of Golgotha. A crown of thorns was placed upon His head. Satan and His demons hellishly hounded and devoured Him. Yet, through His dying and Rising again, He Destroyed these enemies of ours. Jesus is Himself the Seed which fell to the ground and died in order that it might Sprout forth to New Life and Produce much grain. In Him, the weak are strong (2 Cor. 11:19–12:9). He is the Word of the Father which does not return void (Is. 55:10–13) but Yields a Harvest hundredfold.

**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**

**SHUT-INS**

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| Arnold Brown | Elmer/Ruth Leese  | Gary Schave(Lakeview E.C., H.B.) |
| Sharon Fuhrman  | Jack Noble (Meadow Lane, B.A.) | Jeffrey Schave |
| Yvonne Fuhrman   | Russell/Jeanette Piotter | Wally Schave |
| Charlie Koglin  | Ramona Reinke | Arlene Zelz(Lakeview E.C., H.B.) |

**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

Lloyd Karg (brother of Carol Clark)

Karen Kreh (daughter of Joyce Koglin)

Sally Brade (friend of Marv & Vicki Koglin)

Daryl Sengstock

Lori Pedrotte (daughter of Rodney & Janet Weiss)

Bonnie Keiser (Susan Reinke’s daughter)

Suzi Smith (Linda & Darwin Krueger’s Daughter)

**MID-WEEK LENTEN SCHEDULE:** Wednesday worship services will be at **noon and 6:00pm** here at St. John, and at 9:00am and 7:30pm at Zion. Pre-service **soup and sandwich suppers** will resume this year in the school building **gymnasium from 4:30 – 6:00pm**.

**Zion German Dinner: Feb. 27th on Sunday.** Carry out only.
From 11am till 3pm. Roast Pork, Sausage, sauerkraut, corn, mashed Potatoes, Applesauce, Cranberry Relish, Roll and Dessert. Meals $14.00

**The Ladies Aid will be hosting a Euchre Tournament on Saturday, March 12 @ 7PM** in the school gym. If you are interested in participating, please sign up – there is a sheet on the bulletin table. No partner is required – everyone will be mixed, Prizes will be awarded for high and low scores. Refreshments will be provided.

**In Loving Memory of Elaine Eggert, Hugh Harwood, Leroy Schave, Ron Mausolf, Willard Reinke, Frank Gaffke, Carol Noble, Rev. Alter Bahr & Rev Richard Nelson, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Trustee Fund:** Charles Koglin

**In Loving Memory of Frank Graffke, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Marv & Vicki Koglin; Joyce Koglin; Ladies Aid

**In Loving Memory of Ron Mausolf, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Kelli & Chad Johnson; Joyce Koglin; Beth & Ron Glotzhober; Erin Koglin; Erwin Schave

**In Loving Memory of Leroy Schave, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Erwin Schave; Donna Turscak

**In Loving Memory of Carol Noble, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran General Fund:** Beverly West of Pennsylvania

**In Loving Memory of Carol Noble, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Carolyn & Harold Collings; Steve & Jan Schulz; Ladies Aid

**In Loving Memory of Bob Smith, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Larry & Joyce Harwood; Kari Ann & Chris VerEllen; Darla Pankow

**In Loving Memory of Willard Reinke, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Darla Pankow; Joyce Koglin;

**In Loving Memory of Willard Reinke, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Trustee Glass Fund:** Gary Schave

**In Loving Memory of Frank Graffke, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Trustee Fund:** David, Irene and Daniel Schelke; Joann Cove, Martin Selgig

**In Loving Memory of Bob Smith, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Trustee Fund:** David, Irene and Daniel Schelke

**In Loving Memory of Gary Welschleger, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Trustee Fund:** Marv & Vicki Koglin

**A Smile from Kathy:**

