***“Quinquagesima” (*Pre-Lent 1) February 27, 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 **“Sunday before Lent”** – is referred to as **“*Quinquagesima*,”** Latin for “fiftieth” – that is, “[about] *50 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:** “Love in Christ Is Strong” ~ ***LSB* #706**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** Divine Service, *Setting 2*, ***LSB* pp.167ff.** *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:** “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”~ ***LSB* #849 (memory)**

**Sermon**: “The Best Way” *1 Cor. 13:1-13*

**Distribution Hymns:** “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” ~ ***LSB* #685** “Christ Be My Leader” ~ ***LSB* #861**  (“Amazing Grace” ~ ***LSB* #744**)

**Closing Hymn:** “Praise the Almighty” ~ ***LSB* #797**

Postlude

**STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**DATE: SERVICE             ATTENDANCE   COMMUNION**

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| 2-20-22: 8:00 | 54 | 45 |
| 2-20-22: 9:30 | 46 | 37 |
| 2-20-22: Total | 100 | 82 |
| 2-23-22: Bible Study | n/a |  |

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**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

**NEXT SUNDAY   
Organist:** Kristen Weiss

**Ushers (8/9:30):** Gary Schave, Joe Landenberg / Gary Eggert, Justin Voss, Brad Voss, Cody Brown

**Elder(s) (8/9:30):** Joe Landenberg / Don Clark

**Acolyte** **(8/9:30):** Wyatt Hoody / Brady Iseler

**Altar Guild**: Mary Eggert

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY   
READINGS** **HYMNS**

**Psalm**: 32 or 118:1-13 659   
 **O.T.:** 1 Genesis 3:1-21 or

1 Samuel 17:40-51 657 **Epistle:** 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 or 433,770,643  
 Hebrews 4:14-16

**Gospel:** Matthew 4:1-11 594

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

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

**March 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.

**THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

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| Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.167 |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.167 |
| Mon: | 5:30 | 7th Confirmation Class |
|  | 7:00 | Finance |
| Tues: | 4:00 | 6th Confirmation Class |
| Wed: | 10:30 | Bible Study |
|  | noon | Worship w/Comm. & ashes, p.184 |
|  | 4:30 | Soup/Sandwich Supper till 6pm |
|  | 6:00 | Worship w/Comm. & ashes, p.184 |
| Next Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.184 |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.184 |

Monday (*Pastor*): **9am – 1pm**   **(**Kathy): **1pm – 4pm**  Tuesday (*Pastor*): **9am – 1pm**   Wednesday (*Pastor*): **10:30am – 1pm**Thursday (*Pastor & Becky*): **9am – 12pm**  Friday (*Pastor & Becky*): **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 $147,425.00 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 **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Faith Alone***

The seeing are blind, while the one who is blind can see (Luke 18:31–43). Jesus tells the Twelve that He is going up to Jerusalem to suffer and die and Rise again, but they cannot understand or grasp what He is saying. The meaning of His Words is hidden from their sight. However, as Jesus makes His way up to Jerusalem, a blind man calls out to Him for Mercy. This blind man sees that Jesus is the Messiah, the Savior, for he calls Him “Son of David.” Indeed, Jesus is the Lord’s Anointed, the Keeper of sheep (1 Sam. 16:1–13) who goes to “lay down His Life for the sheep.” He is the Incarnate Love of the Father who suffers long and is Kind, who is not puffed up, who never fails us (1 Cor. 13:1–13). Jesus Opens the eyes of the blind (Is. 35:3–7) to see Him not according to outward appearances of lowliness, but according to His Heart of Mercy and Compassion. Those who behold Him thus by faith follow Him to the Cross through death into Life.

**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)

Howard Schmaltz (brother of Janet Weiss)  
Karen Kreh (daughter of Joyce Koglin)

Sally Brade (friend of Marv & Vicki Koglin)

Daryl Sengstock

Lori Pedrotte (daughter of Rodney & Janet Weiss)

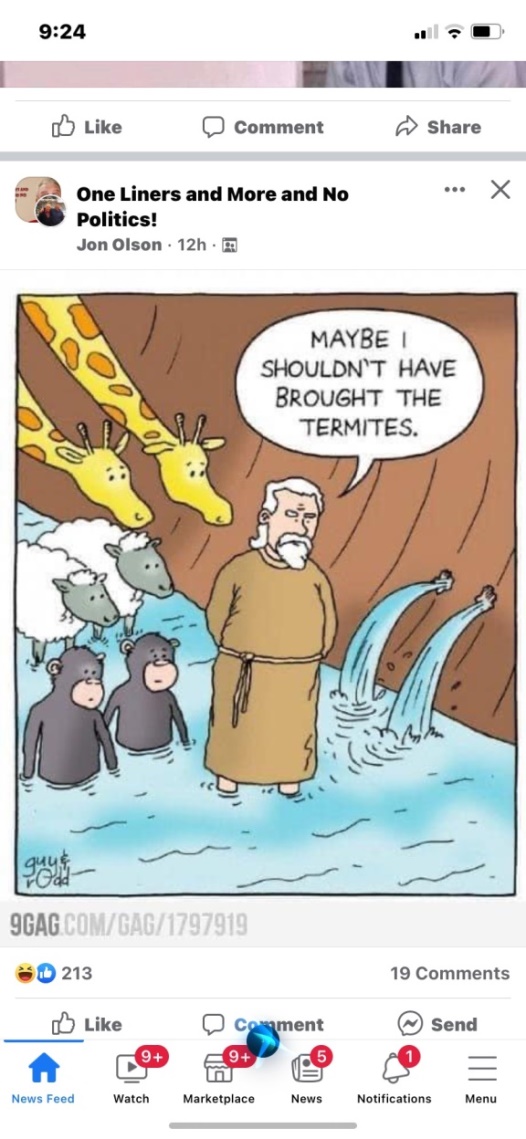
Bonnie Keiser (Susan Reinke’s daughter)

Suzi Smith (Linda & Darwin Krueger’s Daughter)

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

**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.**

**A Smile from Larry:**

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