**St. Joseph, *Guardian of Jesus* March 19, 2023**

 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:** “By All Your Saints in Warfare” ~ ***LSB* #517:1,14,3**

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

 *Introit* (see 1st white insert**;** read responsively by half Verse)
 “Growing as One” (violet insert)

 Readings (see back of 1st white insert)

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

**Hymn of the Day:** “Our Father, by Whose Name” ~ ***LSB* #863**

**Sermon:** “Who Built Your House?“ Matthew 2:13-15,19-23; *Romans 4:13-18; 2 Samuel 7:4-16*

**Distribution Hymns:** “God Loved the World So That He Gave” ~ ***LSB* #571 (memory)**

 “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” ~ ***LSB* #685**

 “Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me” ~ ***LSB* #683**

**Closing Hymn:** “Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death” ~ ***LSB* #697**

Postlude

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 **STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

 **DATE : SERVICE ATTENDANCE COMMUNION**

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| 3-12: 8:00 | 34 | 33 |
| 3-12: 10:00 | 35 | 30 |
| 3-12: Total | 69 | 63 |
| 3-12: S.S./B.C. | 3/6 |   |
| 3-15: Bible Study | 9 |  |
| 3-15: noon | 33 |   |
| 3-15: 7:00 | 25 |   |

 **STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Organist:** Kristen Weiss

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

**Elder(s) (8/10):** Joe Landenberg / Les Weiss

**Acolytes** **(8/10):** Logan Iseler / Maddix Thoms

**Altar Guild**: Mary Eggert

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

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

**Elder(s) (8/10):** Greg Woodke / Gary Eggert

**Acolytes** **(****8/10):** Brady Iseler / Logan Iseler

**Altar Guild**: Mary Eggert

 **LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

 **Psalm**: 130 686

 **O.T.:** Ezekiel 37:1-14 430

 **Epistle:** Romans 8:1-11 438, 575, 440

 **Gospel:** John 11:1-45(46-53) 634

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

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

 **March newsletters** are in your mailboxes.

**A friendly reminder: In writing or via email, newsletter submissions** are due to the church office by the 15th of the prior month and **bulletin announcements** by Thursday (9:00am) prior to Sunday.

**THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

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| Sun:  | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p. 184 |
|  | 9:00 | Sun. School & Bible Class |
|  | 10:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p. 184 |
| Mon: |  4:00 | 7th Grade Confirmation Class |
| Tues:  |  7:00 | Elders |
|  |  7:00 | Trustees |
| Wed: |  10:30 | Bible Study |
|   | 12:00 | Lenten Service |
|   | 5:00 | Soup/Sandwich Supper |
|  | 7:00 | Lenten Service |
| Next Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p. 184 |
|  | 9:00 | Sun. School & Bible Class |
|  | 10:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p. 184 |

Monday: (*Pastor*) **9am – 1pm; 2 - 3pm**Tuesday (*Pastor*): **9am – 12pm**Wednesday (*Pastor & Kathy*): **9am – 12pm**Thursday *(Pastor & Kathy):* **9am – 12pm**Friday *(Pastor & 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 $155,755.00 Finance Board (3-13-23) $ 80.00

Amount Still Needed: $ 34,145.00

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

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| **January - December 31, 2023** |
| Needed per count Received (3-13-23) Needed year to date Received year to date  |  $ 8,540.00 $ 6,740.00 $42,700.00 $34,815.00  |

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

**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**
Ruth Leese; Irene Pilaske

**SHUT-INS**

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

**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

Lori Pedrotte (daughter of Rodney & Janet Weiss)

Suzi Smith (daughter of Linda & Darwin Krueger)

Natalie Morgan (2-year-old daughter of Shannon Popour’s co-worker)

Kurt Reinke (son of Ramona Reinke)

David Sias (7-year-old grandson of Elmer & Ruth Leese)

Becky Braun, (Vicki Koglins friend’s daughter)

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

**Choir will practice** between services on March 19th, 26th, and April 2nd to prepare **for Easter**.

**In Memory of Michael Schave, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** N. Pawlitz, Dennis & Connie Wilkowski

**In Memory of Michael Schave, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Trustee Fund:** Harold & Carolyn Collings

**In Memory of Michael Schave, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran General Fund:** Larry Finkel, Gary Eggert

**In Memory of Oren Emerick, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Dennis & Connie Wilkowski