**6th Sunday after Trinity  July 19, 2020**

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 are in doubt, please see Pastor or an Elder.

Prelude

**Opening Hymn of the Day: *LSB* #562** ~ “All Mankind Fell in Adam’s Fall” **(memory)**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** “Divine Service, *Setting 4”* ***LSB* pp.203ff.**

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

“Growing as One” (see green insert)

Readings (see back of white insert)

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

**Sermon Hymn: *LSB* #572** ~ “In the Shattered Bliss of Eden”

**Sermon:** “Your Righteousness Exceeds" Matthew 5:17-26

**Closing Hymn: *LSB* #918** ~“Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

Postlude

**STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**DATE: SERVICE             ATTENDANCE   COMMUNION**

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| 7-12-20: 8:00 | 57 | 52 |
| 7-12-20: 9:30 | 39 | 36 |
| 7-12-20: Total | 96 | 88 |

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Organist**: Kristen Weiss

**Ushers** (8/9:30): Galen Young, Kevin Arndt / Don Clark, Dylan Burton, Randy Schulte

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30): Greg W. / Gary E

**Acolyte** (8/9:30): Jordan Schave / Olivia Woodke

**Altar Guild**: Carol Hunter

**NEXT SUNDAY  
Organist**: Kristen Weiss

**Ushers** (8/9:30): Galen Young, Kevin Arndt / Don Clark, Dylan Burton, Randy Schulte

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30): Greg S. / Larry R.

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

**Altar Guild**: Carol Hunter

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

Psalm: 33:1-11 864   
O.T.: Genesis 2:7-17 819  
Epistle: Romans 6:19-23 711; 690; 761; 652

Gospel: Mark 8:1–9 924

July –Sept. ***Portals of Prayer*** are available in the entryway.

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

**Flowers on the Altar** are in honor of Jim Hunter’s 75th birthday, which was celebrated on July 14, given by his wife, Carol.

**Baptisms:** We rejoice with Nevin & Marissa Pleiness and Kevin & Terra Ginther as God adds: Spencer Dawson Pleiness and Clara LaQuay Ginther to His Kingdom Sunday, July 19, 2020. “Write the name we now have given: Write it in the Book of Heaven.”

**THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

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| Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 203 |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 203 |
|  | 10:45 | Voters Assembly |
|  | 1:00 | 2 Infant Baptisms |
| Tues: | 7:00 | Trustees |
|  | 7:00 | Elders |
| Next Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 203 |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 203 |

**Office Hours:**Monday (*Pastor*): **9am – 1pm; 2-3pm**Tuesday (*Pastor & Kathy*): **9am – 11:30pm; 1-2pm**Wednesday (*Pastor*): **9am – 11:30pm**Thursday (*Pastor & Kathy) :* **9am – 12pm; 1-2pm**Friday (Pastor & Kathy) **9am–12pm** Please call ahead to ensure that someone is in.

**Stained Glass Window Fund**

**Total Needed: $124,000.00**

**Received so far $ 92,735.00 Finance Board (7-13-20) $ 160.00**

**Amount Still Needed: $ 31,265.00**

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

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| **6 Month Budget July-December 31, 2020** | |
| **Needed per count**  **Received (7-13-20)**  **Needed year to date**  **Received year to date** | **$ 8,660.00**  **$ 5,930.00**  **$ 8,660.00**  **$ 5,930.00** |

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

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***Our Only Hope Is in Christ’s Righteousness***

“*Unless your righteousness exceeds that of the Scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven*” (Matt 5:20). God Demands nothing less than perfection and holiness from you in regard to His Commandments (Ex. 20:1–17). Your only Hope, then, is not in your own Goodness but in the goodness of Christ, who “did not come to destroy the Law and the Prophets, but to Fulfill them” for you. In Christ, your righteousness *does* indeed exceed that of the Scribes and Pharisees. For you have been Baptized into Christ’s death and your sinful nature crucified. Therefore, he who has died has been Freed from sin (Rom. 6:1–11). You are now Raised with Christ to “walk in Newness of Life” and to Share in His Resurrection on the Last Day. Christ has brought you through the Baptismal Sea “*out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery*” (Ex. 20:2). Therefore, “*consider yourselves dead to sin and Alive to God in Christ Jesus*” (Rom. 6:11).

**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**

Brandon Bender; Family of Barbara (Schave) Miles

**SHUT-INS**

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| Ivan/Betty Adkins | Mary Forbing | Willard Reinke |
| Arnold Brown | Yvonne Fuhrman | Jeffrey Schave |
| Wade Cohoon (Colorado) | Patricia Griffore | Gloria Schmalz |
| Elaine Eggert | Nathan Kaufman | Helen Schultz |
| Nelson Erbisch | Charlie Koglin | Arlene Zelz |
| Howard/Della Finkel | Elmer/Ruth Leese |  |

**FRIENDS**

Jerry Bucholtz (Brother of Connie Wilkowski).

Lucille Setter (Mother of Carol Young)

Roman Jock (cousin of Harold Collings)

Brendan Durkee (grandson of Merle & Patsy Eggert)

Riley Durkee (old granddaughter of Merle & Patsy Eggert)

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

Staff Sergeant Ricky Holtz (deployed to South America; grandson-in-law of Emerson & Irene Pilaske), wife Kayla, and two sons.

Reecilyn Joy (daughter of Michael and Julie Joy)

All those affected by COVID-19.

Kevin Kreh (nephew of Marv & Vicki Koglin)

Family of Robert Reynolds (Pastor & Becky’s sister-in-law’s father)

Darleen Ferensic (Former Secretary at the Port Hope village hall)

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

**2020 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.

**Memorial for my Dad, Clarence (Bert) Bertschinger,** whom passed at 86 years old on July 8, 2020: a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:from the Kathy and Lyle Schave

**ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN—(McDonald’s?) A visitor to the Orphan Grain Train Center in Sebewaing will see thousands of boxes.  Surprisingly, the boxes previous held containers of frozen French fries.  These boxes now carry humanitarian supplies.  Clothing, quilts, and medical items are boxed and sent around the world for the love of Christ.  For efficient storage and shipping purposes boxes are required to be of a uniform size.  Local McDonald’s restaurants donate them through a valuable partnership with Orphan Grain Train.  Previously we have painted every box to cover expiration and UPC markings.  Now volunteers like Rich Wrobleski use the bright idea of simply turning each box inside/out and re-taping for speedy use by other volunteers.  1,400 “McDonald’s” boxes filled with relief supplies arrived in the Central Asian country of Kyrgyzstan in February to serve people in distress.  We are eager to know where in the world Orphan Grain Train boxes will travel next.  (Visit:** [**www.ogt-mi.blogspot.com**](http://www.ogt-mi.blogspot.com) **to see pictures of the Kyrgyzstan distribution.)**