**7th Sunday after Trinity July 31, 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.

**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

**Baptism Hymn:** “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here” ~ ***LSB* #592**

**Opening Hymn:** “Fruitful Trees, the Spirit’s Sowing” ~ ***LSB* #691**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** “Matins*”* ***LSB* pp.219ff.**

 “Growing as One” (see green insert)

 Readings (see back of 1st white insert)

**Office Hymn of the Day:** “Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good” **~ *LSB* 819 (memory)**

**Sermon**: “Sin & Grace” *Rom. 6:19-25*

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

Postlude

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We welcome today, through the Sacrament of **Holy Baptism, Forrest Austin Williamson**, toddler son of Jason & Autumn Williamson (grandson of Carol Young). “Write the name we now have given; Write it in the Book of Heaven!” (*LSB* #592:5)

 **STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**DATE: SERVICE             ATTENDANCE   COMMUNION**

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| 7-24: 8:00  | 40 | 36 |
| 7-24: 10:00  | 39 | 36 |
| 7-24: Total |  79 | 72 |

 **STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Pianist:** Kristen Weiss

**Ushers (9:00):** Galen Young, Kevin Arndt, Don Clark

**Elder(s) (9:00):** Larry Reinke

**Acolyte** **(9:00):** Jett Zimmerman

**Altar Guild**: Carol Woodke

**NEXT SUNDAY
Organist:** Kristen Weiss

**Ushers (****8/10):** Terry Emerick, Alan McTaggart / Albert Bender, Scott Iseler

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

**Acolyte** **(****8/10):** xx / Brady Iseler

**Altar Guild**: Denee Schave, Suellen Emerick

 **LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

**Psalm**: 26 851
**O.T.:** Jeremiah 23:16-29 745

**2nd:** Acts 20:27-38 or 707, 680, 583

 **Epistle:** Romans 8:12-17

**Gospel:** Matthew 7:15-23 924

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

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

 **August 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 in writing 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: | 9:00 | **Outdoor Worship & Potluck Brunch\*** Matins (**Baptism**: Forrest Williamson) |
| Next Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p. 203 |
|  | 10:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p. 203 |

\*Ladies Aid will provide drinks & table service

Monday (*Pastor*): **9am – 1pm** (*Kathy*): **1–4pm**
Tuesday (*Pastor*): **9am – 12pm**Wednesday (*Pastor*): **9am – 1pm, 2-3pm**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 $151,115.00 Finance Board 7-25-22) $ 70.00

Amount Still Needed: $ 38,885.00

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

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| **January - December 31, 2022** |
| Needed per count Received (7-25-22) Needed year to date Received year to date  |  $ 8,235.00 $4,240.00 $115,290.00 $92,845.00  |

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

***Jesus Restores Paradise and Feeds Us Freely***

In the Garden of Eden, our first parents received food freely from the Gracious Hand of God, apart from any burdensome work (Gen 2:7–17). But after the Fall, food would be received only through toil and labor. The Curse declared*, “By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground . . .”* (Gen. 3:19). In other words, *“The wages of sin is death”* (Rom. 6:23). But into this wilderness world came Jesus the Messiah to Restore creation. Having Compassion on the weary multitudes, He Renewed the Bounty of Eden on the third day, Freely Granting an abundance of bread to the 4,000 (Mark 8:1–9). So also our Lord Jesus, having endured the burden of our sin, was Raised on the third day to Bring us back to Paradise. He now Miraculously Turns the bread of death into the “Bread of Life” in the Sacrament, Giving you His very Body and Blood for your Forgiveness. For *“the Free Gift of God is eternal Life in Christ Jesus our Lord”* (Rom. 6:23).

**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**

Joyce Koglin; Carol Hunter; Irene Pilaske; Erv Schave; Yvonne Fuhrman

**SHUT-INS**

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

**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)

Sally Brade (friend of Marv & Vicki Koglin)

Daryl Sengstock

Lori Pedrotte (daughter of Rodney & Janet Weiss)

Suzi Smith (Linda & Darwin Krueger’s daughter)

Timothy Hart (catecumen; Tammy Kessel’s fiancé)

**2022 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 at 1-989-225-7060.

**In Memory of Frank Gaffke a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran General Fund:** Ray & Sue Bugg

**In Memory of Lloyd Karg a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Rich & Darlene Tyler

**In Memory of Emerson Pilaske a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Jim & Carol Hunter

**In Memory of Sharon Fuhrman a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Jim & Carol Hunter

**A Smile from Becky:**
