**13th Sunday after Pentecost \_August 27, 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:** “In Thee Is Gladness” ~ ***LSB* #818**

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

*Introit* (see 1st white insert**;** read responsively by half Verse)

“Growing as One” (see green insert)

Readings (see back white insert)

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

**Hymn of the Day:** “Built on the Rock” ~ ***LSB* #645 (memory)**

**Sermon**: “Who Is Building the Church?”*Matthew 16:13-20*

**Distribution Hymns:** “The Gifts Christ Freely Gives” **~ *LSB* #602**

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” ~ ***LSB* #761**

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Namel” ~ ***LSB* #940**

**Closing Hymn:** “The God of Abraham Praise” ~ ***LSB* #798**

Postlude  
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**Today we welcome guest preacher, the Rev. Steve Mahlburg, Missionary to Sri Lanka. Rev. Mahlburg is a Michigan native, and previously served as Pastor at Zion, Tawas City. A mission presentation will be given between Services.**

**STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**DATE: SERVICE             ATTENDANCE   COMMUNION**

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| 8-20: 8:00 | 52 | 47 |
| 8-20: 10:00 | 51 | 35 |
| 8-20: Total | 103 | 82 |

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Organist**: Tom Grills

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

**Elder(s) (8/10):** Rick Finkel / Larry Reinke

**Acolyte** **(8/10):** Jett Zimmerman / Logan Iseler

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

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

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

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

**Acolyte** **(8/10):** Maddix Thoms / Brady Iseler

**Altar Guild**: Carol Hunter

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

**Psalm**:26 593 (10am), 842   
**O.T.:** Jeremiah 15:15-21 531, 867

**Epistle:** Romans 12:9-21 848, 851, 525

**Gospel:** Matthew 16:21-28 847

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

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

**September newsletters** are in your mailboxes.

**2023** **Offering envelopes** are now available in the entryway.

**A friendly reminder: Newsletter submissions** are due to the

church office by the 15th of the month preceding the month for

publishing. **Bulletin announcements** are due to the church office by Thursday (9:00am) before the Sunday to be published, in writing.

**2023 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 |
|  | **9:00** | **Mission Presentation** |
|  | 10:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.203 |
| Mon - Fri |  | Pastor Vacation |
| Mon: | 7:00 | Finance Board |
| Next Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.151  **S.S. Staff Installation** |
|  | 9:00 | Sunday School / Bible Class |
|  | 10:00 | Divine Service w/ Holy Communion, p.151  **Holy Baptism** |

**The office will be closed all this week.**

**2022 Debt Fund**

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| **January - December 31, 2023** | |
| Total Needed  Received (8-14 2023)  Received year to date  Amount Still Needed | $ 27,000.00  $ 110.00   $ 1,960.00   $ 25,040.00 |

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

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| **January - December 31, 2023** | |
| Needed per count  Received (8-14 2023)  Needed year to date  Received year to date | $ 8,540.00  $ 11,830.00  $ 128,100.00   $ 113,455.00 |

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**   
Rosemary Koglin

**SHUT-INS**

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| Yvonne Fuhrman | Jack Noble  (Meadow Lane, B.A.) | Sandy Struble (Meadow Lane, B.A.) |
| Norma Johnson | Jeanette Piotter  (Lakeview E.C., H.B.) | Jeannie Woodke (Huron Co. Medical) |
| Charlie Koglin | Erwin Schave  (Lakeview E.C., H.B.) | Arlene Zelz  (Sanilac Co. Medical) |
| Joyce Koglin | Gary Schave (Meadow Lane, B.A.) |  |
| 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

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

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

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

Jaxon Bates (newborn great-grandson of Elmer & Ruth Leese)

Duane Schave

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!  HARVEST HOME DINNER, Sunday, October 8th, 2023!**  Preparations are under way for this year’s Harvest Home Dinner.  We will be having dine-in and carry-out.  Sign up will begin in a few weeks for your help with this undertaking.  If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.  Thank you--Shannon Popour (989-670-7780)

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied Grace."  1 Peter 4:10

A Smile from Becky

