**16th Sunday after Trinity September 19, 2021**

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

**Baptism Hymn:** “See This Wonder in the Making” ~ ***LSB* #593** (9:30am)

**Opening Hymn:** “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” ~ ***LSB #528***

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** Divine Service, *Setting 1*, ***LSB* pp.151ff.**

*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:** “The Will of God Is Always Best” ~ ***LSB* #758** **(memory)**

**Sermon:** “This, therefore That”*1 Kings 17:17-24*

**Distribution Hymns:** “When Peace, like a River” ~ ***LSB* #763** “God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It” ~ ***LSB* #594**

(“Entrust Your Days and Burdens” ~ ***LSB* #754**)

**Closing Hymn:** “Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure” ~ ***LSB* #533**

Postlude

We welcome today (9:30am), through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Reagan Hope Witherspoon, infant daughter of Lyndsay Simmers & Adam Witherspoon. Reagan’s Sponsors are Tyler and Sarah Thomas; and Madilyn Anne Simmers, infant daughter of Lyndsay Simmers & Brandon Tironi. Madilyn’s Sponsors are Alex and Christina Tironi. “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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| 9-12-21: 8:00 | 72 | 61 |
| 9-12-21: 9:30 | 45 | 41 |
| 9-12-21: Total | 117 | 102 |
| 9-15-32: Bible Study | 9 |  |

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Organist**: Kristen Weiss

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

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30): Galen Young / Larry Reinke

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

**Altar Guild**: Carol Woodke / Linda Johnson

**NEXT SUNDAY   
Organist**: Kristen Weiss

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

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30) Greg Schave / Les Weiss

**Acolyte** (8/9:30): Jentry Zimmerman / Olivia Woodke

**Altar Guild**: Carol Woodke / Linda Johnson

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

**Psalm**: 2 783   
 **O.T.:** Proverbs 25:6-14 557, Anniv. Hymn

**Epistle:** Ephesians 4:1-6 733, 811, 845

**Gospel:** Luke 14:1-11 850

**October – December** ***Portals of Prayer*** are available in the entryway.

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

**September newsletters** are in your church boxes.  
  
 **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 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.

**2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are available for pick up in the entryway. Please sign up on the numbered clip-board sheet on the bulletin table and take the corresponding numbered envelope box.

**THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

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| Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
|  |  | **Baptisms: Reagan Witherspoon & Madilyn Simmers** |
| Mon: | 5:30 | 7th Confirmation Class |
| Tues: | 7:00 | Elders |
|  | 7:00 | Trustees |
| Wed: | 10:30 | Bible Study |
|  | 4:00 | 8th Confirmation Class |
| Next Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |

Monday (*Pastor*): **9 – 11:30am; 2 - 3pm**Tuesday (Pastor & *Kathy*): **9am – 12pm**Wednesday (*Pastor*): **9 – 11:30am; 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 $137,025.00 Finance Board (9-13-21) $ 460.00

Amount Still Needed: $ 52,975.00

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

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| --- | --- |
| **January - December 31, 2021** | |
| Needed per count  Received (9-13-21)  Needed year to date  Received year to date | $ 8,150.00  $ 9,380.00  $138,550.00  $122,655.00 |

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***Jesus Calls forth Life from Death***

A large funeral procession carrying the only son of a widow is confronted by another large procession; Jesus and His followers. Death and Life meet face to face at the gate of the City (Luke 7:11–17). Filled with Compassion, Jesus comes into direct contact with our mortality in order to Overcome it. He touches the coffin and speaks His Creative Words of Life: *“Young man, I say to you, arise.”* Jesus does what is neither expected nor requested. For through Christ, God the Father *“is Able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think”* (Eph. 3:14–21). Jesus Bore our death in His Body that we may Share in His Resurrection. Even as Elijah stretched himself out three times over the Zarephath woman’s son (1 Kings 17:17–24), God Stretched Himself out over us in the threefold application of His Name in the Baptismal Water, Breathing New and everlasting Life into us. *“To Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”*

**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**

Jennifer Kelly; Jack & Carol Noble: Ann Schubring

**SHUT-INS**

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| Arnold Brown | Hugh Harwood (Courtney Manor) | Jeffrey Schave |
| Elaine Eggert (Lakeview E.C.) | Charlie Koglin | Wally Schave |
| Sharon Fuhrman  (Courtney Manor) | Elmer/Ruth Leese | Arlene Zelz (Lakeview E.C.) |
| Yvonne Fuhrman | Willard/Ramona Reinke |  |

**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)  
Rev. Tony Sikora, Hope, DeWitt (preached at Pastor Dodge’s Installation)  
Steve Schubring (Ann’s Son)

**SIGN UP SHEET -- FOR CUTTING GRASS** –is in the Foyer. If you cannot cut grass, please consider putting $ $ $ $ in the jar next to the list, to help with the cost of gas. You can PICK A PARTNER --- making the job less time consuming for all. Any questions- contact Ray Emerick (428-5110). Thank-you!

**Anyone interested in running for a church office - Elder, Trustee, Board of Christian Education, or Finance Board,** please let an Elder know, so we can get your name on the ballot for the October Voters meeting.

**2021 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 989-225-7060.

**Harvest Home Dinner October 10, 2021 11:30am-2:00p.m.**

$12.00 Take out only 300 tickets (first come, first serve)

As it has become difficult to get workers, Ladies Aid has decided to do a take-out only Harvest Home Dinner this year. You can purchase your tickets, sign up to work and/or sign up to donate pies after Sunday services for the next 3 weeks in the narthex.

As we did not have the dinner in 2020, let’s come together this year to have a very successful event, doing it with joy and recalling 1 Peter 4:9 – “Show hospitality to one another without grumbling”.

Please contact Denee @ 989-428-3034 if you have any questions.

The **Sept. 5 free will offering** for the church interior painting (which will now be done after October) totaled **$971.** Another collection will be done after completion of the project.

**In Memory of Joann Tschirhart Sengstock a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Kari Ann VerEllen

**In Memory of Norma Eilber a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Corinne Abraham

**In Memory of Jeanette Zeil a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Gary & Bev Finkel; Nancy Schelke

**In Memory of Dallas Nichols a monetary gift has been given to St. John Ev. Lutheran General Fund:** Kari Ann & Chris VerEllen & Family

**9th Annual William Henry Russell classical guitar concert.**

Winner of the 2018 Indiana Fingerstyle Competition and 3rd place finalist in the 2018 International Fingerstyle Guitar Competition, Bill has a unique style with a wide variety of musical selections. His concerts have always been enjoyable. Please join us October 3rd, 3:00-4:30pm at St. John Lutheran School, Port Hope. Outdoors if weather permits, otherwise in the gymnasium. A free will offering will be collected.

**A Smile from Kathy**

