**18th Sunday after Trinity October 11, 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: *LSB* #781** ~ “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

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

 *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).

**Hymn of the Day: *LSB* #694** ~ “Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower” **(memory)**

**Sermon:** “The Service of Love” *Matthew 22:34-46*

**Closing Hymn: *LSB* #549** ~“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Postlude

 **STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**DATE: SERVICE             ATTENDANCE   COMMUNION**

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| 10-04-20: 8:00 | 52 |  46 |
| 10-04-20: 9:30 | 45 |  39 |
| 10-04-20: Total | 97 |  85 |
| 10-07-20: Bible Study |  6 |   |

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Organist**: Kristen Weiss

**Ushers** (8/9:30): Marv Koglin, Bryce Schave/ Les Weiss, Steven Weiss, Joe Weiss

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30): Greg Woodke / Gary Eggert

**Acolyte** (8/9:30): Olivia Woodke / Wyatt Hoody

**Altar Guild**: Janet Schave, Carol Collings

**NEXT SUNDAY
Organist**: Kristen Weiss

**Ushers** (8/9:30): Marv Koglin, Bryce Schave/ Les Weiss, Steven Weiss, Joe Weiss

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30) Greg Schave / Larry Reinke

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

**Altar Guild**: Janet Schave, Carol Collings

 **LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY (ST. Lukes)**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

Psalm: 147:1-11 708
O.T.: Isaiah 35:5-8 810
Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:5-18 518:1,26,3

Gospel: Luke 10:1-9 782

 Oct. – Dec. ***Portals of Prayer*** are available in the entryway.

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

 Oct. **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.

 **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.
 Or call Vicki Koglin 989-225-7060

 **THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

|  |  |  |
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| Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
|  | 9:00 | Sunday School |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
| Mon: | 4:00 | 7th grade Confirmation class |
|  | 5:30 | 8th grade Confirmation class |
|  | 7:00 | Finance Board |
| Wed:  | 10:30 | Bible Study |
| Next Sun:  |  | **Pastor Appreciation Day / St. Luke, *Evangelist*** |
|  | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
|  | 9:00 | Sunday School |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 151 |
|  | **10:45** | **Quarterly Voters’ Meeting** |

**Office Hours:**Monday (*Pastor*): **9am – 1pm; 2-3pm**Tuesday (*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 at 989-428-4140.

**Stained Glass Window Fund**

**Total Needed: $124,000.00**

**Received so far $ 94,955.00 Finance Board (9-28-20) $340.00**

**Amount Still Needed: $ 29,045.00**

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

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| **6 Month Budget July-December 31, 2020** |
| **Needed per count** **Received (9-28-20)** **Needed year to date** **Received year to date**  |  **$ 8,660.00** **$ 5,710.00**  **$ 55,960.00** **$ 43,925.00**  |

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 ***In Life and Death, Christ Fulfills the Law of God***

 The Pharisees ask a Law question. Jesus asks a Gospel question. The Pharisees seek to test Jesus in His own words. Jesus seeks to *“test”* them in the Saving Reality of who He is as the Messiah (Matt. 22:34–46). The Law requires you to *“fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His Ways, to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul”* and to *“love the sojourner”* (Deut. 10:12–21). Failure to keep the Law perfectly brings Judgment. On the other hand, the Gospel brings the Grace of God given by Jesus Christ, that you may be blameless in the Day of His Return (1 Cor. 1:1–9). Jesus is David’s Son yet David’s Lord, True God and True man. He is Love Incarnate who Fulfilled all the Demands of God’s Law on our behalf, that we might be Saved from the Law’s Condemnation and Sanctified in the Gospel’s Forgiveness. Thereby we see that *“God is Faithful, by whom you were called into the Fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord”* (1 Cor. 1:9).

**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**

Lisa Leese; Hugh Harwood; Ivan Adkins; Jeanette Piotter; the Family of Mary Forbing

**SHUT-INS**

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| Ivan/Betty Adkins | Howard/Della Finkel  | Willard Reinke |
| Arnold Brown | Yvonne Fuhrman  | Jeffrey Schave |
| Wade Cohoon (Colorado) | Hugh Harwood  | Helen Schultz  |
| Elaine Eggert | Charlie Koglin | Arlene Zelz |
| Nelson Erbisch | Elmer/Ruth Leese  |  |

**FRIENDS**

Roman Jock (cousin of Harold Collings)

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)

All those affected by COVID-19.

Kevin Kreh (nephew of Marv & Vicki Koglin)

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

**A Smile for You:**An elderly lady was well-known for her faith and for her boldness in talking about it. She would stand on her front porch and shout “PRAISE THE LORD!”
Next door to her lived an atheist who would get so angry at her proclamations he would shout, “There ain’t no Lord!!”
Hard times set in on the elderly lady, and she prayed for GOD to send her some assistance. She stood on her porch and shouted “PRAISE THE LORD. GOD I NEED FOOD!! I AM HAVING A HARD TIME. PLEASE LORD, SEND ME SOME GROCERIES!!”
The next morning the lady went out on her porch and noted a large bag of groceries and shouted, “PRAISE THE LORD.”
The neighbor jumped from behind a bush and said, “Aha! I told you there was no Lord. I bought those groceries, God didn’t.”
The lady started jumping up and down and clapping her hands and said, “PRAISE THE LORD. He not only sent me groceries, but He made the devil pay for them. Praise the Lord!”

**In Memory of Gloria Schmaltz a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Herbert & Betty Leese, Jim & Carol Hunter**,** Nancy Schelke, Susan Reinke, Joann Muter

**A monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran:** Daniel P Koglin, DBA Koglin Excavating.

**In Memory of Mary Forbing a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Stained Glass Fund:** Herbert Hartz; Steven & Kristen Weiss; Joann Muter; Mr. & Mrs. Al Wolschlager; Les, Linda & Joe Weiss; Randy, Renee, Cruz & Mya Moran

**In Memory of Mary Forbing a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Church:** Sharon Joy & Family, Joann & Chuckie Schave, Melvin Hartz, Dennis & Marcia Karg

**In Memory of Mary Forbing a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Church Trustees:** Nancy Schelke