

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School

(Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod)

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Pentecost 17

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Prayer: “Let me live to praise You ever, Jesus, now my heart’s delight; You are leading me aright. Let me cling to You forever, All the fleshly lusts deny, And the devil’s hosts defy.” Amen. (Hymn #464, v. 2)

Divine Service II

(Christian Worship Supplement, page 28.)

The Hymns: 463 – 465 – 483, vv. 1 & 2 – 452/453 – 318.

Organist: Elizabeth Ruhland.

The Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 38:1-13 – Today’s readings all make the point that it’s not easy being a Christian – but it’s still great! It’s not easy – we are called to “take up our cross” – suffer for following Jesus. But it’s still great because we have Jesus and His cross – God’s forgiveness and promise of eternal life in heaven. We have an example of this from this incident in Jeremiah’s life.

Psalm 116, page 107.

The Epistle Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-19 – As Jesus’ followers we shouldn’t be surprised if we suffer ridicule, rejection, etc. So did our Lord – who now reigns in glory! Jesus has promised that one day we too will be with Him in heaven.

The Gospel Reading/Sermon: Mark 8:27-35 –

No Cross – No Christian

I. There’s no Christianity without Jesus and His cross.

II. There’s no being a Christian without carrying your own cross.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Since the Sacrament is also a public declaration of a unity of faith we practice Communion Fellowship. We ask that only members of our congregation or the Wisconsin Synod receive the Sacrament. Thank you.

This Week at St. John’s

Monday

8:30 a.m.

Chapel – Pastor Hildebrandt

Tuesday

6:30 p.m.

Education Committee/Faculty Meeting

Wednesday

8:30 a.m.

SonBEAMS begins

4:00 p.m.

Soccer: Home vs. St. Peter

4:30 p.m.

Public School Confirmation

7:00 p.m.

Worship – Holy Communion

Thursday

4:00 p.m.

Soccer: Home vs. Peace

Sunday

8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Worship – Jr. Choir sings early

9:15 a.m.

S. School/Bible Class

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Our greeters is Rodney Binder (late).

Last Week: 210 (119+71+20) gathered around God’s Word to grow in their faith and praise their Savior. 25 came to Sunday school and 54 came to Bible class. Offerings received:

Last Week

Needed: \$7,941

Received: \$12,248

Budget year to date

\$87,351

\$88,614

This includes \$5,557 for tuition. We also received \$8 for Wisconsin Lutheran Child and Family Services. Our school received a gift of \$100 in memory of Betty Belter. In memory of Eleanor Mutterer we received \$20 and in memory of Christian Holz we received \$25 (both for the new sound system).

Please be sure to pick up a Christian Worship – Supplement on your way into church. We will be following Divine Service II on page 28 in the Supplement. Note: Psalm 116 is in the hymnal and not the Supplement. We will also be using the “modern” Lord’s Prayer.

Door Collection: Today we will take a door collection to help support the work of our Lutheran Women’s Missionary Society. The L.W.M.S. money is used for unbudgeted items/programs in our home and world missions. The home mission project is the Campus Ministry New Start; the world mission is the Haiti Project. Our Ladies of St. John’s regularly support the L.W.M.S. and thought this door collection would enable more of our members to help out with this work.

Chapel: Tomorrow morning at 8:30 a.m. Pastor Hildebrandt will be here to speak about our mission work in India. This will be where our school’s first semester’s missions will go to. Everyone is invited to attend.

WLA News: At a plenary meeting last Tuesday, the Winnebago Lutheran Academy Association voted to submit an offer to purchase a vacant farm field that is just north of Hwy 151 between Martin Road and Hwy V., along with approving spending up to \$85,000 to complete the contingencies on the offer. The final contingency to be met will be Final Plenary Approval of purchasing this land, Lord willing in July or August 2019.

The Quilting Ladies will start again this fall. Any person that is interested in helping make quilts is welcome to come. We will start tomorrow morning (Monday) at 9:30 a.m. We meet at Dorthy Zimmerman's house, N9708 Cty. A., Fox Lake (must be able to do stairs.) You don't have to sew; there are other things to do. Come and join us! Call 928-2266 for more information.

SonBEAMS: Can you find a family with a 2 or 3 year old to tell about our SonBEAMS group? Parents, you are so important in our mission at St. John's. Please spread the word that a six week session of SonBEAMS will begin this Wednesday, September 19. Children ages 2-3 (along with their caregivers) are welcome to attend. 4 year olds are also welcome if they aren't in a 4K on Wednesdays! We engage the children in some social time, a Bible lesson, singing, some learning activities, movement, and a simple project each week. We begin at 8:30 and usually end at 9:30 or shortly after.

Adult Information Class: Pastor would like to start an adult information class in late September. The class is for those who are interested in joining our church or just learning what we Lutherans believe on the basis of God's Word. It's also a good refresher for those who are already members. If you or anyone you know is interested in attending please let Pastor know. The day/time of the class will depend on the schedule of those attending.

Sign up for C18 *One-million souls.* That is the goal. To share the gospel with one-million souls prior to and on Christmas Eve. That goal is part of WELS Congregational Services' C18 program. The only way to achieve that goal is for all WELS members, young and old, to embrace the privilege and responsibility of sharing Christ with unchurched friends, relatives, and neighbors. A simple way to do that – invite them to come with your family to your congregation's Christmas Eve worship service. A recent survey found that 80% of unchurched adults would seriously consider accepting an invitation, extended by a friend, to attend a Christmas Eve service. C18 walks you through this process step-by-step. For more information and to sign up to receive free weekly materials and encouragement, go to welscongregationalservices.net/c18.

Greeters are needed for the rest of the services in September. Please write YOUR name in where YOU can help on the sign-up sheet in the entry-way.

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