

## St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School

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**Prayer:** “Oh grant, dear Lord, this grace to me, Recalling Your ascension, That I may serve You faithfully, Adorning Your redemption; And then, when all my days will cease, Let me depart in joy and peace, In answer to my pleading.” Amen. (Hymn #173, verse 3.)

### The Service of the Word (The Hymnal, page 38.)

**The Hymns:** 171 – 351 - 171, v. 6 – 362 – 169.  
Organist: Elizabeth Ruhland.

**The First Reading:** Acts 1:15-26 - These verses take us to the days between Jesus' ascension and Pentecost. We are reminded that our ascended Lord is watching over His Church on earth. He has given us His faithful Word to guide us and He provides us with faithful servants to lead us in His work.

**Psalm 8**, page 67.

**The Epistle Reading:** I John 4:13-21 (sermon text).

**The Gospel Reading:** John 17:11-19 – We hear a portion of Jesus' “High Priestly Prayer” for us. As Jesus looked ahead to His ascension into heaven He prayed that His holy Father would protect us from the devil and sanctify (make us holy) through His holy Word.

**The Sermon:** 1 John 4:13-21 -

### We Rely On God's Love

- I. For our salvation.
- II. For our confidence.
- III. For our motivation to love.

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**Altar flowers** are to the glory of God in thanksgiving for Jim and Maxine Ferron's 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary from their family.

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**This Week at St. John's**  
Monday 9:30 a.m. Circuit Pastor's Meeting

Tuesday 4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class  
7:00 p.m. Education Committee Meeting  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Worship  
Thursday 6:30 p.m. CPT Meeting  
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship (Holy Communion-early)  
Confirmation/Jr. Choir sings late

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**Our greeters** are John and Barbara Bubolz (early).

**Last Week:** 152 (102+50) gathered around God's Word to grow in their faith and praise their Savior. 60 came to our Ascension Day service. 22 came to Sunday School and 38 came to Bible Class. Offerings received (does not include Ascension Day):

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Budget year to date</u>
Needed:	\$7,802	\$351,090
Received	\$6,297	\$348,177

This includes \$400 for tuition. We also received \$23 for Madison chaplains and \$10 for Wisconsin Lutheran Child and Family Services. We also received for our new sound system \$20 in memory of Pastor James Radloff and \$20 in memory of Vicker Frank and Frank Kolitz.

**Hospital Report:** Jan Rabehl and John Schwefel are both home.

**In Heaven:** Funeral services for Buzz Pillsbury were held here at church last Thursday. May God comfort his family with His promise of eternal life in heaven through faith in Jesus.

**Today** is our last day of adult Bible class and Sunday School until this fall (the Sunday after Labor Day). We thank our Sunday School teachers for all their time and help: Gwen Rabbitt, Rachel Hesprich, Krista Klas, Deb Raley and Nathan Pausma.

**Confirmation: Next Sunday** we will have confirmation in the late service. Holy Communion will be celebrated in the early and Wednesday services. The Wednesday service will also be 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation.

**Our summer schedule** of Sunday worship at 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. will begin Memorial Day weekend, May 27 (two weeks from today). The Wednesday service remains the same.

**A regular voters meeting** will be held on Tuesday, May 22, at 7:00 p.m. On the agenda is the adopting of a 2018-2019 budget (copies of the budget are in your mailbox). There will also be a brief presentation and explanation of the budget after this week's services. All voters are encourage to attend.

**Our aluminum can drive** ends today. Our last can drive amounted to \$198. The money received is used to help cover busing costs for field trips.

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