



# **THE CHURCH** *God* ~~**WE**~~ **WANTS**

*A Church That Really Knows Jesus*

**St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church**

Juneau

Salem-Lowell

Horicon

# Proper 16

August 24 & 27, 2023

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Hymn 869 v. 1-3

“Onward, Christian Soldiers”

*Stand*

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Confession

CW 188

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

A - men. A - men.

# Glory to God in the Highest

CW 191

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of ten staves of music. The first staff is an instrumental introduction. The second staff begins the vocal melody with the lyrics 'Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to'. The third staff continues with 'God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,'. The fourth staff concludes the phrase with 'and peace to his peo - ple on earth.'. The fifth staff starts a new phrase: 'Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and'. The sixth staff continues: 'Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we'. The seventh staff continues: 'praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly'. The eighth staff continues: 'Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,'. The ninth and tenth staves conclude with: 'you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on'.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to  
God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,  
and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and  
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly  
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on

us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus

Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to

God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,

and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

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# The Word

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

**Exodus 34:5-9 (EHV)**

The LORD came down in the cloud. He took his stand there with Moses and proclaimed the name of the LORD. <sup>6</sup>The LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed: "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, and overflowing with mercy and truth, <sup>7</sup>maintaining mercy for thousands, forgiving guilt and rebellion and sin. He will by no means clear the guilty. He calls their children and their children's children to account for the guilt of the fathers, even to the third and the fourth generation." <sup>8</sup>Moses quickly bowed to the ground and worshipped. <sup>9</sup>He said, "If I have now found favor in your sight, Lord, please let the Lord go along with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, pardon our guilt and our sin, and accept us as your possession."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Second Reading**

**Romans 10:5-13 (EHV)**

Indeed, Moses writes this about the righteousness that comes by the law: “The one who does these things will live by them.”<sup>6</sup>But the righteousness that comes by faith speaks like this: “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down)<sup>7</sup>or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).<sup>8</sup>But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart,” that is, the word of faith that we are proclaiming.<sup>9</sup>Certainly, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.<sup>10</sup>For it is with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and it is with the mouth that a person confesses, resulting in salvation.<sup>11</sup>For Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.”<sup>12</sup>So there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, because the same Lord is Lord of all, who gives generously to all who call on him.<sup>13</sup>Yes, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

**John 6:68 (EHV)**

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

*Stand*

## **Gospel**

**Matthew 16:13-20 (EHV)**

When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”<sup>14</sup>They said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”<sup>15</sup>He said to them, “But you, who do you say that I am?”<sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”<sup>17</sup>Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.<sup>18</sup>And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell will not overpower it.<sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”<sup>20</sup>Then he commanded the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

Hymn 563

**“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”**

Sermon

Exodus 34:5-9

*A Church That Really Knows Jesus*

*Stand*

## Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## Installation of Church Council Members

Current members and new members

## Prayer of the Church

### Offering

*Stand*

Hymn 752 v. 1

**“Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings”**

## The Sacrament

### Preface

CW 199

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

# Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 200

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts, heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## **Words of Institution**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my † blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**Amen.**

# Lamb of God

CW 202



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; grant us, grant us peace.

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*Be seated*

## Distribution

Hymn 899

“Lord Jesus Christ, Our Savior-King”

*Stand*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

**Hymn 869 v. 4**

**“Onward, Christian Soldiers”**

## **Acknowledgments**

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Pastor: David Brandt

Liturgist: Duke Backhaus

Organist: Ruth Affeld

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## **Announcements:**

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**Pantry/Card Shower for the Backhauses:** Our new Senior Assistant and Preschool Teacher have arrived in Dodge County! Welcome Duke and Livia Backhaus! If you are interested, we are having a Pantry Shower to help fill their pantry! Items may be brought to any campus now through Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Not interested in giving pantry items? Then, gas gift cards would also make a great gift (since Duke will be traveling to the Seminary in Mequon every day.)

**“Note of Thanks” for Pastor Baumann:** St. John’s truly appreciates the many hours our vacancy pastor, Pastor John Baumann, served at our congregation for the past year. Pastor Baumann was instrumental by leading many of our services, using slides to share God’s Word with us during his sermons, instructing our 7<sup>th</sup> Graders in Confirmation Class, visiting our shut-ins, attending our meetings, etc. His presence will be greatly missed. To show our appreciation, would you be willing to write him a “Note of Thanks”? You are welcome to drop your card into the offering plate at any campus between now and September 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

### **Fall United in Christ Sunday:**

**Worship:** St. John’s will host our Fall United in Christ Sunday on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. We will have one worship service on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM. (Therefore, there will be no Thursday night service, no Saturday service, and no Sunday service in Lowell.)

**Brunch:** In celebration of our United in Christ Sunday, we will host a special breakfast brunch. If you are willing to bring something for the brunch, please see the signup sheet in the narthex. Thank you!

**Athletic Parents Meeting:** If your child will be participating in sports at St. John’s School this fall, please attend one of our mandatory Athletic Meetings at our school.

- Sunday, August 27, 9:45 am
- Tuesday, August 29, 5:00 pm

### **St. John’s Endowment Fund:**

There are always things we would like to do at St. John’s that don’t fit into the budget. In the last couple of years, we have started an Endowment Fund. 5% of the Endowment Fund is to be distributed each year. Any group, committee or member of St. John’s can submit an application for the available funds (or a portion of them) for a non-budgeted need or

project at St. John's. This year there is \$2,700 available for disbursement. Applications are available in the narthex and are due by August 30. A completed application can be submitted to any Pastor, the church office, or any member of the Church Council.

**Volleyball Coach:** St. John's School is looking for a volleyball coach for this fall season of volleyball. If you are interested in helping, please contact Suzi Colantonio at 920-285-7532 or call school at 920-386-4464. Thank you!

**Sunday School:** St. John's Sunday School will resume in-person class on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. All children ages 3 years through 7<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to join us! Please preregister in the narthex at our Juneau or Lowell Campuses or registration is also available on the first day of class.  
Salem-Lowell: 8:30-9:15 AM & Juneau: 9:15-10:15 AM



**Shooting at the Schillings:**

Looking for some outdoor fun and interaction? We will be shooting clay pigeons at the Schillings' farm on Saturday, September 9th at 2:00pm. We ask that any shooters to be experienced gun handlers or to have taken hunter's safety. Not interested in shooting clay pigeons? No problem, come and support the others.

N2960 County Rd K, Watertown (Town of Lowell)

**Snow Removal Bids:** Our St. John's Trustees are accepting bids now through September 30<sup>th</sup> for snow removal for the upcoming season. If you are interested in submitting a bid, please contact Scott Bilgrien at 920-362-0199.



**St. John's regular Fall/Winter/Spring Worship Schedule will resume the weekend of September 17<sup>th</sup>.**

Worship times are as follows:

Thursdays	6:30 PM	Juneau
Saturdays	5:00 PM	Horicon
Sundays	8:00 AM	Juneau
	9:30 AM	Lowell
	10:30 AM	Juneau



Thank you to all those who serve on our St. John's Church Council! The current Council is in the September Welcome Newsletter. St. John's would also like to say thank you to those Council members whose terms have expired. We greatly appreciate your service! Bob Bischoff, Nick Tolkinen, Steve Groening, Ron Preskar, Randy Mohr, Darris Wasmund, Dan Fude, Mark Justmann.

## Volunteers (8/24-8/27)

### **Greeters:**

6:30 PM Tim, Jill, and Maddy Weisensel  
8:30 AM Darris and Jill Wasmund, Suzi Colantonio, Tiffany Cina

### **Communion Assistants:** Juneau & Salem Lowell Campus

6:30 PM Pastor and Tim Weisensel  
8:30 AM Dave Gerbitz, Chuck Wolfram, Matt Lober, Marty Weinheimer  
10:15 AM Pastors and Matt Smith

### **Ushers:**

6:30 PM Bob Gerbitz, Ken Wolfram  
8:30 AM Scott Bilgrien, Steve Weinheimer, Tony Colantonio, Bob McLain, Wesley McLain  
10:15 AM Harold Lenz, William Borth

### **Lawn Mowers:** (Week of August 28<sup>th</sup>)

Team One Rick Leissring, Tony Colantonio  
Team Four Matt Smith, Paul Metzger

## Statistics

### *Offerings given to our Lord*

8/10 - 8/13

General	\$ 10,458.99
Debt	\$ 489.70
Improvement	\$ 270.00
Lakeside	\$ 214.55
Missions	\$ 316.90
Total	\$ 11,750.14
Adopt-a-Bill	\$20.00

### *Attendance*

August 13<sup>th</sup> Weekend: 279 (47, 28, 139, 65)

*At our Voter's Meeting, our congregation approved a weekly budget with an average total of \$20,246 (includes General, Lakeside and Missions) needed every week. **Since the beginning of 2022, our congregation has gone from zero debt to drawing a total of \$138,572.34 from the line of credit.** Please continue to support St. John's through your time, talents, treasures, and prayers. Thank you!*

# **This Week at St. John's**

## **Sunday (8/27)**

<b>Worship</b>	<b>8:30 AM – J</b>
<b>Worship</b>	<b>10:15 AM - SL</b>
Bible Class	9:00 AM – SL
Bible Class	10:00 AM – J
School Athletic Mtg	9:45 AM - School

## **Monday (8/28)**

Readings Bible Class	6:30 PM - J
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## **Tuesday (8/29)**

School Athletic Mtg	5:00 PM - School
Evangelism Bible Class	6:30 PM - J

## **Thursday (8/31)**

<b>Worship</b>	<b>6:30 PM – J</b>
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## **Saturday (9/2)**

<b>Worship</b>	<b>5:00 PM - H</b>
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## **Sunday (9/3)**

<b>Worship</b>	<b>8:30 AM – J</b>
<b>Worship</b>	<b>10:15 AM - SL</b>
Bible Class	9:00 AM – SL
Bible Class	10:00 AM – J

# Welcome to St. John's

## WELCOME

We are so glad you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today! St. John's is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership at any of our campuses. Please join us again soon!

## PERSONAL PRAYER AFTER WORSHIP

Good Shepherd, I was glad to be here, gathered with your flock to worship you. Cause the Word I have heard to take root in my heart and bear fruit in my life. Guide me in paths of righteousness, that my words and actions might lead others to glorify you. Amen.

### Pastors & Assistant

David Brandt 608-343-2206  
Nicholas Mount 920-344-1524  
Joel Luetke 920-285-1351  
Duke Backhaus 414-559-6107

### Principal

Richard Cody 920-386-4644

### Staff Minister

Ryan Kummerow 608-345-1900

### Worship Services

#### Thursday

6:30 PM Juneau

#### Saturday

5:00 PM Horicon

#### Sunday – *summer schedule*

8:30 AM Juneau

10:15 AM Lowell

### Bible Classes

#### Sunday

Juneau Campus  
10:00 AM

Salem-Lowell Campus  
9:00 AM

#### Monday

Juneau Campus  
6:30 PM

#### Tuesday (2nd, 4th, 5th)

Juneau Campus  
6:30 PM

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

#### Juneau Campus

920-386-3313

400 S. Main St.

Juneau, Wisconsin

#### Horicon Campus

920-386-3313

716 Clinton St.

Horicon, Wisconsin

#### Salem-Lowell Campus

920-386-3313

105 Juneau Rd.

Lowell, Wisconsin

#### School Office

920-386-4644

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