# October 8, 2023



# St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church

Juneau Salem-Lowell Horicon

# **October 8, 2023**

# **LLHS Sunday**

#### Processional: Ancient Words

By Lynn DeShazo, Arranged by Craig Courtney

Ancient words, long preserved, for our walk in this world, They resound with God's own heart.
O let the ancient words impart.

Words of life, words of hope give us strength, help us cope, In this world where'er we roam, Ancient words will guide us home.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you, We have come with open hearts.

O let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age, Came to us through sacrifice. O heed the faithful words of Christ.

Please stand

#### Invocation

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit **Amen.** 

# Confession

The Word of Christ, says, "If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." Therefore, 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.

Please be seated

#### CHOIR:

Lord, from the depths I call to you; Lord hear me from on high And give attention to my voice when I for mercy cry.

#### St. 2: CONGREGATION



#### CHOIR:

Out of the depths I cry to you, In darkest places I will call; Incline your ear to me anew, And hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were you to count my sinful ways, How could I come before your throne? Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze; I stand redeemed by grace alone.

#### Refrain:

I will wait for you, I will wait for you; On your word I will rely. I will wait for you, surely wait for you, Till my soul is satisfied.

So put your hope in God alone; Take courage in his power to save. Completely and forever won By Christ's emerging from the grave.

(Song continues on the next page.)

#### **CONGREGATION:**

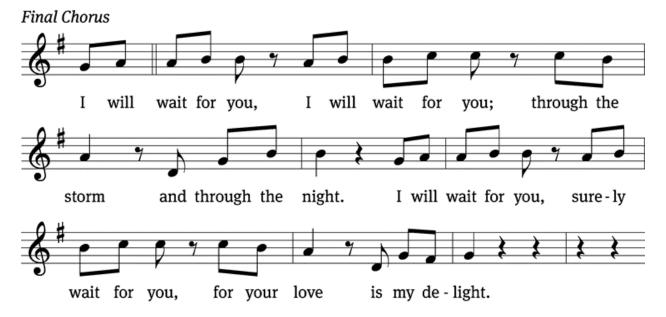


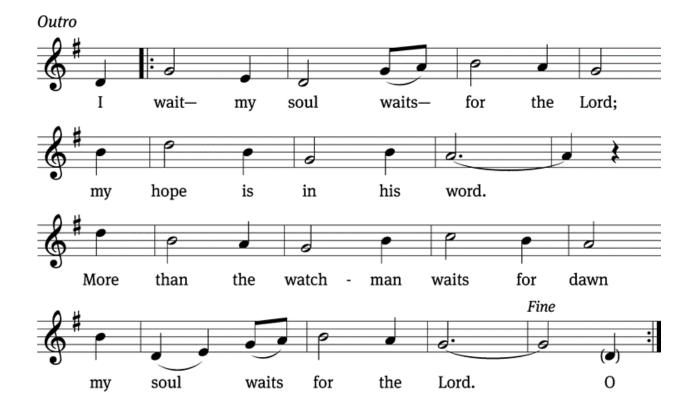
#### CHOIR:

Now he has come to make a way, And God himself has paid the price, That all who trust in him today Find healing in his sacrifice.

## **CONGREGATION:** Chorus (above)

#### **CONGREGATION: Final Chorus**





#### **Absolution**

The Lord has heard our cry for mercy, and has given his one and only Son, Jesus Christ, to be the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. His blood purifies us from all sin. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by this authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

# Old Testament Reading

# Deuteronomy 6:4-9 EHV

The Lord calls his people to impress his words on the hearts and minds, and to diligently teach them to the next generation.

<sup>4</sup> Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God. The LORD is one! <sup>5</sup> Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup> These words that I am commanding you today are to be on your heart. <sup>7</sup> Teach them diligently to your children, and speak about them when you sit in your house and when you walk on the road, when you lie down and when you get up. <sup>8</sup> Tie them as a sign on your wrists, and they will serve as symbols on your forehead. <sup>9</sup> Write them on the doorposts of your houses and on your gates.

# Theme Song: These Words of Mine

With the St. John's School children

I, the Lord your God, the Son of man, Have come to seek and save the lost, To ransom back your soul from death, To be lifted on a cross.

I, the Resurrection and the Life, Have gone to furnish a place for you. Hold fast onto my promises, For I am coming soon.

These words of mine, impress them on your heart; Bind them as a symbol on your head, As a sign upon your hands, And on your doorways and your gates. Teach them to your children; Impress them on your heart.

I have given you a new command, So that your joy may be complete: To love as I have loved you first, And to wash each other's feet.

Forsake the patterns of this world And be renewed in heart and mind, No longer wand'ring lost in the dark, But children of the Light.

These words of mine, impress them on your heart; Keep them in your mind and on your lips, When you rest and when you rise, And when you walk along your way. Teach them to your children; Impress them on your heart.

# **Epistle Reading**

Romans 12:1-2 EHV

The Word of God impressed on our hearts will transform our lives so that we no longer conform to the patterns of this world.

Therefore I urge you, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice—holy and pleasing to God—which is your appropriate worship. <sup>2</sup> Also, do not continue to conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, so that you test and approve what is the will of God—what is good, pleasing, and perfect.

# Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

By Robert Robinson, Arr. by John Cornish

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come," And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; Let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

Please stand

# Gospel Lesson

Matthew 28:16-20 EHV

Jesus commissioned his disciples to teach the Word and administer the sacraments that more disciples might be gathered from every nation on earth.

<sup>16</sup> The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshipped him, but some hesitated because they were uncertain. <sup>18</sup> Jesus approached and spoke to them saying, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and gather disciples from all nations by baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and by teaching them to keep all the instructions I have given you. And surely I am with you always until the end of the age."

Please be seated

#### **CONGREGATION:**



#### CHOIR:

Our call to war: to love the captive soul,

But to rage against the captor;

And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,

We will fight with faith and valor.

When faced with trials on ev'ry side,

We know the outcome is secure;

And Christ will have the prize for which he died,

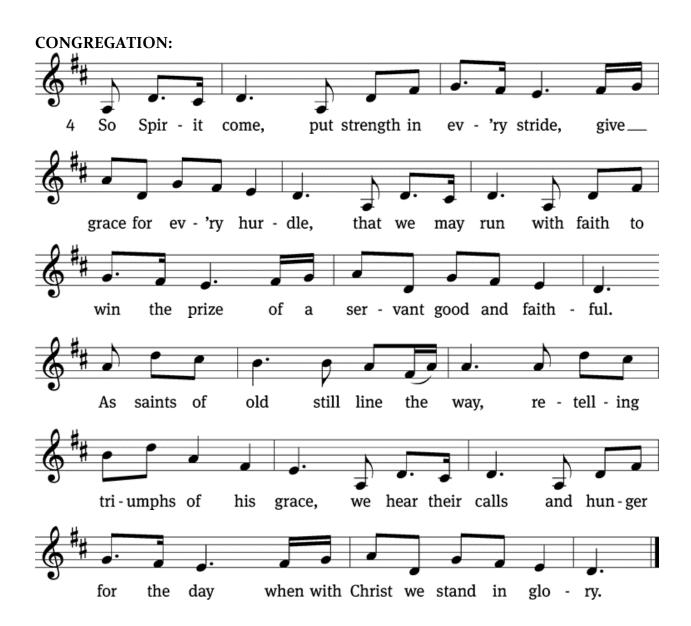
An inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet,

As the Son of God is stricken.

Then see his foes lie crushed beneath his feet,

For the Conqueror has risen!



Sermon: Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Please 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.

Please be seated

# Prayer

Eternal Father, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light to our path. You inspired the Scriptures for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that your servants might be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Lead us to love your Word more and more and to receive your message with great eagerness.

You have given us your Word that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing we may have life in his name. Enable us to see the wonders of your love in Christ from the beginning to the end of your holy book.

Help us to see Jesus, the pioneer and perfector of our faith.

Work in all your people, especially in parents, the resolve and patience to teach little children the simple truths about the Savior who loves them. Walk with us as we take our children to the manger, the cross, and the empty tomb. Let them find Jesus in stories, songs, and prayers. **Move us to bring up our children in the training and instruction of the Lord.** 

Provide wisdom and commitment to teachers who train our young in every form of Christian education. Deepen their knowledge of your Word as they prepare and share the lessons they teach. Move them to model a sincere devotion to the Scriptures.

Lead us to plan for and support the Christian training of children.

Bless the schools and teachers who prepare public ministers of the gospel for service in our churches and around the world. Ignite the zeal of young men and women to be willing and eager to share the truths of Scripture with others.

We pray that you send workers in your harvest fields.

Work in us that we may find the lasting value of growing in the grace and knowledge of Christ. Lead us to be faithful in our personal study of the Scriptures and in participating in regular Bible classes. Rid us of all thoughts that Christian education ends in our youth. Make us life-long students of your precious Word.

Let your Word be impressed on our hearts and minds. Let us meditate on your Word as we sit in our houses and as we walk on the road. Amen.

Hear us Lord as we also join to pray:

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.

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Please stand

Offering Hymn 748 v1

Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly

# The Sacrament

At St. John's, we practice closed Communion, to which our congregational members or those who belong to the WELS or ELS, are invited, in obedience to Scripture's teaching that the Lord's Supper is an expression of our complete unity in faith. This has been the historic practice of the Christian church for nearly 2,000 years. If you are not a member of the WELS/ELS, we respectfully ask that you speak with a pastor before approaching the altar for Communion.

#### **Preface**

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:

tune: In Christ Alone

#### And Christ is Here

And Christ is here
In means divine
Found underneath the bread and wine!
In water poured There with the Word
The living voice of Christ is heard!
And when his Christians Fall to sin
Our Jesus calls us back again
For Christ is here
In means divine –
Bles-sing us through his design!

# Consecration

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. (spoken)

Please be seated

#### Distribution

## **Distribution Hymns**

662 "Draw Near" 676 "Take and Eat"

Please 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.

Please be seated

# On My Heart Imprint Your Image

Arranged by J. S. Bach

#### CHOIR:

On my heart imprint your image, blessed Jesus, King of grace, That life's riches, cares, and pleasures have no power to hide your face. Let the clear inscription be: Jesus crucified for me Is my life, my hope's foundation, and my glory, and salvation.

#### **CONGREGATION:** 0 God. rock and my grant that my tow - er, in vour death I know-ing death has trust, lost its pow - er since vou crushed it in the dust. Sav - ior, let your ag - ny and com - fort I die help me: when be ev pro - tec - tion, light and life and my res - ur - rec

# Acknowledgments

Pastor: Dustin Yahnke, Lakeside Lutheran High School, Lake Mills

Liturgists: David Brandt / Nick Mount

Soloist: Elena Loest

Pianists: Ambria McCrary, Ava Wilson LLHS Choir Director: Steven Springborn

Choir: Lakeside Lutheran High School's A Cappella Choir

Organists: Matthew Lober / Becky Schultz

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# Thank you. Lakeside Lutheran Choir!

God's blessings on the rest of your year! To help offset the cost of their ministry, a free-will offering will be

# taken in the narthex.

#### **Announcements:**

#### **Special Builder's for Christ Presentation:**

At 8:15 AM (SL) and 9:30 AM (J) on Sunday Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, there will be a special presentation on the Builder's for Christ (BFC) ministry in our fellowship halls. Jim Bublitz will be talking about what BFC is, what they do, and how they relate to the WELS mission. Please come and learn more about this unique ministry and ways you could be involved!

#### **Area Seniors Dinner:**

All are invited to the area WELS Seniors dinner at St. Stephen's Beaver Dam on Tuesday, October 10th. They will meet in the church basement for a potluck at noon. After a devotion, Tim Boerneke of St. John's, Fox Lake will speak about "Scams for Seniors to Watch out for." He serves as Chief Loan Officer at the Ergo Bank. St. Stephen's is located at 300 West Street, Beaver Dam. All those 55 & older are welcome. Bring a friend!

#### **Learn About WELS Christian Aid and Relief:**

The Rock River Area OWLS will be enlightened on the WELS Christian Aid and Relief program with Rev Daniel Sims on Tuesday October 17, 2023 at 1:30 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 301 S High St., Fort Atkinson. Pastor Matthew Vik serves St Paul's. OWLS meetings are handicap accessible, last about two hours, and with refreshments and time to socialize with others. Seniors who are retired and/or 55 + years are encouraged to join OWLS. Everyone is invited and guests are always welcome!

#### **Upcoming Musician Visiting:**

Musician Stephen Bautista will be joining our Thurs. 6:30 PM service on Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> in Juneau and our Sat. service Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM in Horicon. Please consider attending to support a fellow WELS member as we praise and glorify our God in these special services!

Stephen and his family are WELS members who travel around the country for their full-time Christian music mission. Their goal is to "enlighten the lost and encourage the found" with Stephen's original, Christ-centered music. Along with his daughter Marissa, Stephen shares his music in a very compelling yet soothing style, while conveying a solid Gospel message. Stephen, his wife, Christy, their nine "roadschooled" children, a dog, and two cats have a home-base in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, but are more often found visiting congregations around the country in their Chevy Express van with their 33ft travel trailer in tow.

Stephen has five professionally produced CDs that are available for purchase at his concerts and worship services. His music is also available online at www.StephenBautistaMusic.com, iTunes, Amazon, and most other online outlets.

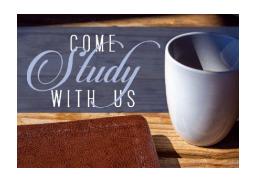
Please consider supporting Stephen's music mission by purchasing his CDs and/or contributing a freewill offering that will help him continue spreading the Gospel of Jesus with his music. For more information about Stephen's music and upcoming events, visit www.StephenBautistaMusic.com.

#### **New Bible Class:**

Starting Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 AM (SL) and 9:30 AM (J). Join us for an 8-week study that will build a solid foundation for understanding the patterns of all non-Christian religions. Each lesson presents a basic truth of Christianity and compares it with the teachings of Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, and Hinduism in response to questions such as:

- Who is God?
- Who is Jesus?
- What must I do to be saved?

Make sure to catch this bible study in-person as class will no longer be recorded.



#### **Council Meeting Date Changed:**

The upcoming council meeting originally scheduled for Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> has been moved to 6:30 PM on October 18<sup>th</sup> at the Juneau campus.

#### **Every Member Visits:**

Every member across all three campuses is encouraged to sign up for a time to connect with Pastor Mount. We want every member to feel confident in reaching out to their pastors and this get-to-know-you time will help build the foundation for a relationship with our newest full-time pastoral member. Meetings are informal and held at the Juneau church office. Please sign up for one 30-minute timeslot. To access the sign-up, scan the QR code or find it on our app or website. If you need assistance signing up, please call the church office at 920-386-3313.

#### **Luther Preparatory School Fall Play:**

Luther Preparatory School presents *The Kingdom Hath Talent*, a comedic tale in which a young adventurous prince must find his bride from a lineup of talent show contestants. Performances are Saturday, October 21 at 7:00 PM and Sunday, October 22 at 2:30 PM in the Luther Prep Auditorium. Find more information and purchase advance tickets at lps.wels.net/apps/pages/fallplay.



#### **Trunk or Treat:**

Trunk or Treat is just around the corner and we are looking for people willing to host a trunk! The event will be held Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> from 3-4 PM in the Juneau parking lot. If you are interested, please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you are not able to host a trunk this year, candy donations are also needed! Please drop off donations at any campus by Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> to give hosts time to prep!

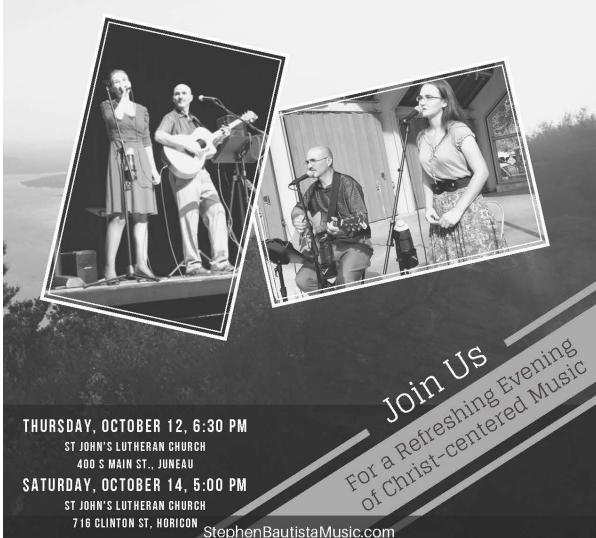
# Songs of Hope and Redemption

WITH SINGER/SONGWRITER

# **STEPHEN** BAUTISTA

THE VOCALS OF HIS DAUGHTER

# **MARISSA** RENÉE



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# **Volunteers** (10/5-10/8)

#### **Greeters:**

6:30 PM Neil Foch, Paul Schmidt 8:00 AM Jim and Chris Holy

10:30 AM Randy and Fran Mohr and family

#### **Communion Assistants:**

6:30 PM Pastor and Paul Schmidt

8:00 AM Rick Cody, Harold Zastrow, Luke Hirschfeld, Scott Wohling

9:30 AM Pastors and Paul Metzger

10:30 AM Jeff Greenwald, Bill Luebke, Dave Meister, Jim Bublitz

#### **Ushers:**

6:30 PM Neil Foch, Paul Schmidt

8:00 AM Bob Koch, Bob Sette, Jay Panetti, Leo Panetti

9:30 AM Dennis Kohn, Isaiah Yuenger, Matt Smith, Paul Metzger 10:30 AM Jerry Stolzman, Bob Henken, Dennis Lisko, Mike Schall

**Lawn Mowers:** (Week of October 9<sup>th</sup>)

Juneau: Team 4 Dave Fude Salem-Lowell: Team 2 Jim Bublitz

# **Statistics**

#### Offerings given to our Lord

	9/21-9/24
General	\$ 9,821.97
Debt	\$ 258.25
Improvement	\$ 85.00
Lakeside	\$ 109.90
Missions	\$ 244.90
Total	\$ 10,520.02

#### **Attendance**

Weekend of Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> 352 (59,30,110,57,96)

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 \$134,902.59 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 (10/8)**

Worship 8:00 & 10:30 AM - J

Worship 9:30 AM - SL

BFC Presentation 8:15 AM - SL

BFC Presentation 9:30 AM – J

Sunday School 8:30 AM- SL

Sunday School 9:15 AM- J

## Monday (10/9)

Readings Bible Study 6:30 PM- J

Board of Ed. 6:30 PM- School

# **Tuesday (10/10)**

Evangelism Bible Class 6:30 PM- J

# Wednesday (10/11)

Confirmation 5:00 PM- J

Elders 6:00 PM- J

Trustees 6:00 PM- J

Adult Choir 7:00 PM- J

# **Thursday (10/12)**

Worship 6:30 PM- J

# **Saturday** (10/14)

Worship 5:00 PM- H

# **Sunday** (10/15)

Worship 8:00 & 10:30 AM- J

Worship 9:30 AM - SL

Bible Class 8:15 AM – SL

Bible Class 9:30 AM - J

Sunday School 8:30 AM- SL

Sunday School 9:15 AM- J

Blood Pressure Checks 9:00 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
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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

8:00 AM Juneau 9:30 AM Lowell 10:30 AM Juneau

# **Bible Classes**

#### Sunday

Juneau Campus 9:30 AM

Salem-Lowell Campus

8:15 AM

# Monday

Juneau Campus 6:30 PM

Tuesday (2nd, 4th, 5th)

Juneau Campus 6:30 PM

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