

Mission Messenger!

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WORSHIP UPDATES



**AUGUST
2021**
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★ Beginning Sunday, August 8th we will gather for worship in the sanctuary at 9:00am. The service will include coming forward for Holy Communion served by wafer and individual cup. This service will also be live streamed.

The current plan is to continue with the one indoor service through Sunday, September 5th.

★ Sunday, September 12th will be our Annual Church Picnic. We will begin with worship under the tent at 10:30am followed by Children's games and food.

★ Sunday, September 19th we will return to offering two Sunday services in the sanctuary at 8:00am and 10:30am. We will also continue to stream the service online through our YouTube channel St. John De Pere (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIi1cjRdeaDr3N5fYKeuRUw>) or on our website.

★ Sept. 19th is also the date Sunday School, Adult Education and Fellowship Time (coffee and treats) will resume.

While we are happy to share these updates and the move to gathering together indoors again, your Church Council continues to consider local infection/vaccination rates as well as recommendations from health officials and will make changes as deemed necessary for the health and wellbeing of all.

Pastor Cindy & The SJLC Council

Hospitality & Celebration



In sympathy & Remembrance

~ Michael Istwan ~

January 28, 1943 - June 6, 2021

May God's tender mercy uphold his family in resurrection hope.



WELCOME

*Mason James Fuller who was
baptized on July 11th.
Parents: John & Brittney Fuller*



**WE WELCOME
NEW MEMBER
Judith (Judie)
Pinkall**



Did you know the ELCA and Living Lutheran are on Instagram? Follow [@elca](https://www.instagram.com/elca) and [@livinglutheran](https://www.instagram.com/livinglutheran) for exclusive content and more ways to access updates from and stories of the ELCA.

WELCOME

*Walker Wallace Schleis who was
baptized on July 25th.
Parents: Ryan & Madeline Schleis*



THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS TO
SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE.

ST. JOHN DONATED:

10 twin sheet sets

2 complete twin comforter/sheet sets

3 twin comforter sets



IT'S BACK AND YOU'RE INVITED!



Sunday, September 12, 2021 St. John Lutheran Church Annual Picnic

1700 Lost Dauphin Road De Pere

www.stjohndepere.org 920.336.1082



All are welcome

9:30 am Set Up

10:30 am Outdoor worship service

11:30 am Food, music, and Kids
games



ST JOHN'S BOOK CLUB will begin meeting again this fall. Our first meeting will be Thursday, September 16th at 1:00 PM. We will meet in the narthex. Please come ready to share some of the great books you have read since we last met. A book will be distributed to be read and discussed at our October meeting. It will be wonderful to meet again and fellowship with friends over a good book! Everyone is welcome! Contact Donna Hjorth (336-5990) or Jan Vanden Heuvel (639-6987) for more information.

TRUST FUND SCHOLARSHIPS

CONGRATULATIONS on receiving a scholarship from the St. John Trust Fund.

We will be distributing scholarships at Worship on Sunday, August 8th.

Recipients are asked to be in attendance if at all possible.

Recipients for this semester are as listed below:

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| ★ Gracie Destiche | ★ Lauren Nordwig | ★ Alyssa Tobisch |
| ★ Emma Feldhausen | ★ Isaiah Robinson | ★ Stephen Tobisch |
| ★ Jessica Geurts | ★ Emma Schepp | ★ Max Zuege |
| ★ Melissa Nordwig | | |



WORSHIP AT HOME



CALL TO WORSHIP † *Make the sign of the cross.* Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. Amen. Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. Amen.

DWELLING IN SCRIPTURE PSALM 34:1-8

¹ I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

² **I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

³ Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.

⁴ **I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.**

⁵ Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶ **I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.**

⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.

⁸ **Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!**

*Read the appointed lesson for the day. Take time to reflect and discuss its message or journal your reflections.
Let the Holy Spirit guide you.*

†AUGUST 1ST - 10th Sunday after Pentecost

John 6:24-35

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

Prayer of the Day

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

†AUGUST 8TH - 11th Sunday after Pentecost

John 6:35, 41-51

After feeding more than five thousand people in the wilderness, Jesus teaches them regarding the true significance of this remarkable sign.

Prayer of the Day

Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SING PRAISE "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"
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ELW #656 **SING PRAISE**

"Be Thous My Vision" **ELW#793**

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Worship

DWELLING IN SCRIPTURE CONTINUED

†AUGUST 15TH - 12th Sunday after Pentecost

John 6:51-58

In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true "bread of life." Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of holy communion.

Prayer of the Day

Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SING PRAISE "We Eat the Bread of Teaching" ELW#518
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†AUGUST 22ND - 13th Sunday after Pentecost

John 6:56-69

The "hard saying" that offends Jesus' disciples is his claim that his followers must eat his flesh and drink his blood. The followers who return to their old lives know something about how odd this sounds. Simon Peter, on the other hand, knows something about the scarcity of living, gracious words. He asks the most important question: "To whom shall we go?"

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SING PRAISE "Blessed Assurance" ELW #638
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†AUGUST 29TH - 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Mark's gospel depicts Jesus as challenging traditional ways in which religious people determine what is pure or impure. For Jesus, the observance of religious practices cannot become a substitute for godly words or deeds that spring from a faithful heart.

Prayer of the Day

O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SING PRAISE "For the Beauty of the Earth" ELW #879
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PRAYERS

Pray for the church, the world, your prayer list, the people in the church directory and anything else that the Holy Spirit places on your heart.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

Worship

DWELLING IN SCRIPTURE CONTINUED ---

OFFERING

God calls us to give generously of our hearts and gifts. How will you live and give today?
Visit www.stjohndepere.org to give online.

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.

BLESSING

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. Amen.



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WORSHIP AT HOME

Available each week on the ELCA worship blog (<https://blogs.elca.org/worship/3060/>) are materials for "Worship in the Home."

Consider ways to pray and sing using this resource at home. In addition to Sunday worship resources, Daily Prayer in the Home is available, providing simplified forms of Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer, as well as table prayers.

**PRAISE BAND will be
leading worship on
AUGUST 11th,
9:00am in the
sanctuary**



**TRUST
IN THE
LORD
WITH ALL
YOUR ♥**
{proverbs 3:5}

**WORSHIP AT THE
CAMPFIRE
AUGUST 26TH @6:30PM**





AUGUST NEWSLETTER HYMNS



Blest Be the Tie That Binds **ELW#656**

1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the unity of heart and mind is like to that above.
2. Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
3. We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear, and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

Be Thou My Vision **ELW#793**

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art: thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
- 3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, the first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

We Eat the Bread of Teaching **ELW#518**

Refrain

We eat the bread of teaching,
drink wine of wisdom,
are given here a taste of the kingdom.
Together joined, the greatest and the least,
we all are one at Wisdom's holy feast.

- 1 Wisdom calls throughout the city, knows our hunger, and in pity gives her loving invitation to the banquet of salvation. *Refrain*
- 2 Simple ones whose hearts are yearning, come and gain from Wisdom's learning; bread and wine she is preparing, know her loving in the sharing. *Refrain*

Blessed Assurance **ELW#638**

- 1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*

For the Beauty of the Earth **ELW#879**

- 1 For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

Refrain

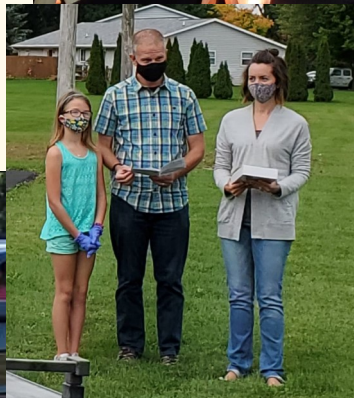
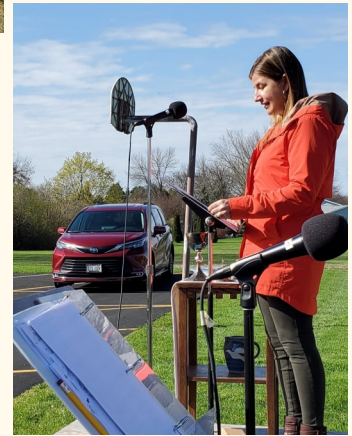
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our
sacrifice of praise.

- 2 For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light: *Refrain*
- 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: *Refrain*



Worship

THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed to our worship services throughout the past year!



Faith Formation



CONFIRMATION CLASS

Please fill out and return to the church office an enrollment form for your student(s) so we can best plan for class.

(Available at www.stjohndepere.org under Faith Formation/Confirmation)



5TH-8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Important dates Sept-Oct!

- Wed. Sept. 8th - Be sure your **student enrollment form** has been sent in!
- Wed. Sept 29th Regular *weekly classes* begin for ALL 5th-8th grade students 6:30 pm.
- 5th-6th grade students will meet in the basement classroom. *5th-6th grade students do not need to bring a bible.*
- 7th-8th grade students will meet in the GREAT room. *7th-8th grade students please bring your bible to each class.*

9TH GRADE CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Important dates

- Sunday Oct. 3rd 5-8pm class
- Thur. Oct 14th 6:30-7:30pm class
- Thur. Oct 21st 6:30-7:30 class
- 9th Grade students will meet in the Youth room.
Please bring your bible to each class.



MISSION TRIP 2021 HIGHLIGHTS!

Rerouting to and serving within a new "neighbor"-hood defined the 2021 St. John Lutheran Youth Mission Trip! After a positive St. Louis staff Covid case prevented us from serving in that location, we were sent to Duluth, MN where God had plans for us. (Did you know that Duluth is located in St. Louis County?!?) Our group picked up garbage and landscaped at local parks and nursing homes; we served by spending time with nursing home residents and an in-school child care program; we helped out local residents with lawncare; we prayed over people in the neighborhood on a prayer-walk; and most importantly, we shared the love of Jesus through listening, sharing and spending time with our "neighbors" both within our group and within the community. We are forever changed by the people of Duluth, by the Youthworks staff who welcomed our last-minute, high-energy group, and by each other. Thank you, thank you to the adult leaders who gave their time to come with us: **Tammy Lewis, Kevin Pawlak, Trenea Schepp and Rick Westein,** . Thank you to the congregation and Trust Fund of St. John and the greater De Pere



and Wrightstown community for their support of our trip; and thanks to all of our teens who worked hard, prayed, lost sleep and shared their boundless energy with everyone they encountered!

Our full congregational presentation will be in October – stay tuned for details!



Faith Formation

ANXIETY, QUESTIONS, CONCERNS

PLEASE call myself or Pastor Cindy with your concerns. We'd LOVE to talk with you, pray for you and support you and your families in any way we can. Prayers make such a difference, and so does asking for help. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Pastor Cindy or call/text Kristin at 920-360-6045 or email at kristin@stjohndepere.org. **WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!**



FAITH FORMATION FORMS

for 3 yr olds - 8th grade are available on line @www.stjohndepere.org or in the narthex. Questions about Sunday School this year? Please contact Tammy Lewis @sundayschool@stjohndepere.org



Mission & Service



LET'S HELP MAKE EDUCATION POSSIBLE FOR CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD LIVING THROUGH WAR, DISASTERS AND POVERTY.

LET'S BUILD KITS OF CARE! Through Lutheran World Relief's Project Promise, we will take ordinary items — like pencils, erasers and notebooks — and turn them into extraordinary gifts of God's love.

Listed below is what it takes to fill one complete kit. Use this as a shopping list to purchase a few items or a whole kit! Please bring items to church by Sunday, Sept. 5th.

- ___ **Four** 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper, approximately 8x10
- ___ **One** 30-centimeter ruler or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- ___ **One** pencil sharpener
- ___ **One** pair of blunt scissors
- ___ **Five** unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- ___ **Five** black or blue ballpoint pens (No gel ink)
- ___ **One** box of 16 or 24 crayons
- ___ **One** 2-1/2" eraser

There are flyers in the narthex under the community bulletin board that you may take when you are shopping.



Lutheran World Relief
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT. LASTING PROMISE.

Celebration & Outreach

In 2021, St. John will be focusing on collecting the following items each month for the DPCO Food Pantry.

- August** Mayonnaise/salad dressing
- September Peanut butter
- October Canned spaghetti
- November Thanksgiving Food Drive
- December Reverse Advent Calendar



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS

WE PRAY:

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble”. Psalm 46:1

Please hold in healing prayer,

- Larry Armstrong,
- John Grom, Michael Johaneck, Fianna Kaye,
- Jennifer Leonard, Seth Meinel, Sophia Meinel,
- Betty Peters, Charlotte Schink,
- Lynda Tetzlaff and Bob Van Enkenvoort.



Hi from Mission sewing,

If anyone is interested in coming or joining the mission sewing group, we meet every Thursday from 9am until noon. If you cannot come for the entire time you can come for whatever fits your schedule. Come sew, learn how to sew if you do not know how, help tie the quilts, or sort out the squares and bag them for people to sew. Just a reminder that if you have any gently used sheets we can use them to make the quilts. Hope to see you there to have some laughs, fun and treats. Judy Beerntsen



Men's Breakfast
Food, Fellowship & Faith



Men in Mission meets on the third Wednesday of the month.

August 18th we will be meeting at 8:30am at Nicolet Restaurant, then back to church for bible study with Pastor Cindy from 9:30 - 10:30am.

If you have any questions, contact Dick VandenHeuvel at 920-336-7157 or at dickvan1943@gmail.com.

Christ Care will meet on **Wednesday, August 4th and Wednesday, August 18th @10:00am** in the LOUNGE. If you have any questions, contact Carlyn Cooper at 920-983-0327 or at clpdkcm@twc.com.



Mission & Service

NEW COMMUNITY SHELTER 301 MATHER ST, WEST GREEN BAY

During this post-covid time, volunteers from St. John serve and/or provide deserts for the evening meal on the first Saturday of each month from 4:30 - 6:00pm. Thank you to the **Usiak family** who served the meal on Saturday, July 3rd and made deserts for the shelter. Please check the ministry board at church for a time that works for you to volunteer. If you have any questions, please contact Marlene Bergum at 336-7472.



LIVESTREAM A/V VOLUNTEERS

We are beginning to put together a team to run the Sunday morning livestream and we need YOU! If you can click a button, you can operate the system! If you have experience or interest in learning more about A/V all the better! Adults, Middle and High school youth are all encouraged to volunteer (great way to earn service hours and Pastor can arrange for your volunteer time to replace sermon notes for Confirmation students!) Please contact the office or Pastor with the Sundays you are available to volunteer. Training will be provided.



Woodside *Senior Communities*

A Lutheran heritage. Serving all faiths.

Woodside senior community is seeking Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) and Personal Care Assistants (PCAs) to work in their skilled nursing and rehabilitation and assisted living areas on our campus. Starting wage is \$18-\$22 per hour. Woodside believes their residents deserve the best, so they pay the best! For more information, please visit our website at woodsideseniorcommunities.org/employment or interviews are available Monday through Friday from 9am - 4pm.



If you, a loved one, or a friend would like to have prayers, please call Karen Cota at 920-632-2015 or e-mail Carlyn Cooper at clpdkcm@twc.com. We will get your requests out to our faithful prayer warriors.

DE PERE PANTRY AND THRIFT STORE

PANTRY UPDATES: Through the generosity of our volunteers and your support, the pantry was able to assist 93 households (180 adults and 70 children) in June which continues to be low compared to previous months/years. We are so blessed to have such an outstanding group of volunteers to operate and manage this vital program!

THRIFT STORE: There are many opportunities/positions available to join our team. Please consider joining our EXTRA ordinary team. All the proceeds generated from the store help residents of De Pere with rental and/or emergency gas assistance, as well as support other worthy non-profit organizations! If you are interested, please contact Amy Murphy at 920-655-5758 or Amurphydpco@outlook.com.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>WORSHIP ONLINE PM 8am - Indoor Worship 9am - Worship In Prk Lot</p> <p>1</p>	<p>4:45pm - Faith Form Mitg</p> <p>2</p>	<p>6:30pm - Cele/Outreach</p> <p>3</p>	<p>10am - Christ Care</p> <p>4</p>	<p>9am - Mission Sewing</p> <p>5</p>		<p>4:30pm - NEW Comm</p> <p>7</p>
<p>WORSHIP ONLINE PM 9am - Worship Inside</p> <p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10:30am - Finance Mitg 7pm - Stewardship Mitg</p> <p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>9am - Mission Sewing</p> <p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>WORSHIP ONLINE PM 9am - Worship Inside</p> <p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>7pm - Council Mitg</p> <p>17</p>	<p>8:30am - Men In Mission 10am - Christ Care</p> <p>18</p>	<p>9am - Mission Sewing</p> <p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>WORSHIP ONLINE PM 9am - Worship Inside</p> <p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>9am - Mission Sewing 6:30pm - Campfire Worship</p> <p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>WORSHIP ONLINE PM 9am - Worship Inside</p> <p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>



The stained glass for the final four windows is currently being constructed!

Visit us on the web for weekly services!

www.stjohndepere.org

and on

[facebook.com/StJohnDePere](https://www.facebook.com/StJohnDePere)

and visit our YouTube channel for weekly worship by following this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCl1cjRdeaDr3N5fYKeuRUw>

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

September 15, 2021

Send submissions to

newsletter@stjohndepere.org

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Church Council Members**

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Colleen Geurts	Celebration/Outreach
Rick Johnson	Mutual Ministry
Bill Lake	Worship & Music
Dick VandenHeuvel	Property



WORSHIP TIMES

Join us Online Anytime

Sunday Indoors @9:00am