

St. John-St. James

Ev. Lutheran Church & School



Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 25 & 28, 2022

Opening Hymn:**Arise, O Christian People**

Christian Worship, Hymn # 310



1 A - rise, O Chris - tian peo - ple! Pre - pare your - selves to -
 2 Pre - pare the way be - fore him, pre - pare for him the
 3 The hum - ble heart and low - ly God rais - es up on



day; pre - pare to greet the Sav - ior, who
 best; cast out what would of - fend him, this
 high; be - neath his feet in ter - ror the



takes your sins a - way. To us by grace a -
 great, this heav'n - ly guest. Make straight, make plain the
 haugh - ty soul shall lie. The heart sin - cere and



lone the truth and light were giv - en; the prom - ised
 way: the low - ly val - leys rais - ing, the heights of
 right, that heeds God's in - vi - ta - tion and makes true



Lord from heav - en to all the world is shown.
 pride a - bas - ing, his path all e - ven lay.
 prep - a - ra - tion— it is the Lord's de - light.

INVOCATION

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

C **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

C **Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.**

M Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C **Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

(Silence for meditation and reflection)

DECLARATION OF GRACE

M God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY--*Kyrie*

M In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

M 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.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Amen.**

GLORY BE TO GOD



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

(Our Hymn Response continues on the next page)

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;

have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.

You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.

For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the

Ho-ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

M Let us pray.

O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by your Holy Spirit to follow the example of your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

⁶Do not exalt yourself in the king’s presence, and do not claim a place among his great men; ⁷it is better for him to say to you, “Come up here,” than for him to humiliate you before his nobles.

M The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

C **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 fully 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. *(Nicene Creed continues on the next page.)*

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.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 14:1,7-14

¹One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched.

⁷When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: ⁸“When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. ⁹If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, ‘Give this person your seat.’ Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, ‘Friend, move up to a better place.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. ¹¹For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

¹²Then Jesus said to his host, “When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

M The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Hymn of the Day:

Son of God, Eternal Savior

Christian Worship, Hymn # 729



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and
2 Bind us all as one to - geth - er in your Church's
3 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us,
sa - cred fold, weak and health - y, poor and wealth - y,
oth - ers live. Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed;
truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



hal - lows all our hu - man race, you our head, who, throned in
sad and joy - ful, young and old. Is there want or pain or
free - ly may your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and yours the
hal - lows all our hu - man race, by your pray - ing, by your



glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead: fill us with your
sor - row? Make us all the bur - den share. Are there spir - its
sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea; we but stew - ards
will - ing that your peo - ple should be one, grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, heal our wrongs and help our need.
crushed and bro - ken? Teach us, Lord, to soothe their care.
of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.
hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

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James 2:1-13

“When Should I Play Favorites?”

¹My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism. ²Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in filthy old clothes also comes in. ³If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, “Here’s a good seat for you,” but say to the poor man, “You stand there” or “Sit on the floor by my feet,” ⁴have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

⁵Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who are blaspheming the noble name of him to whom you belong?

⁸If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, “Love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing right. ⁹But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it. ¹¹For he who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” If you do not commit adultery but do commit murder, you have become a lawbreaker.

¹²Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives freedom, ¹³because judgment without mercy will be shown to anyone who has not been merciful. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M** Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.
- C** **Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.**
- M** Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.
- C** **Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.**
- M** Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.
- C** **Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.**
- M** Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.
- C** **Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.**
- M** Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.
- C** **Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.**
- M** Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, (*Special intercessions may be offered here.*) Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.
- C** **Grant them your love, take them into your tender care.**

M Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

(Silent prayer.)

M We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. *(Special intercessions may be offered here.)* Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

C **Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.**

M Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

C **Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT

M The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

M Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C **It is good and right so to do.**

M 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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en-ly hosts:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -
san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he,
bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on five staves in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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

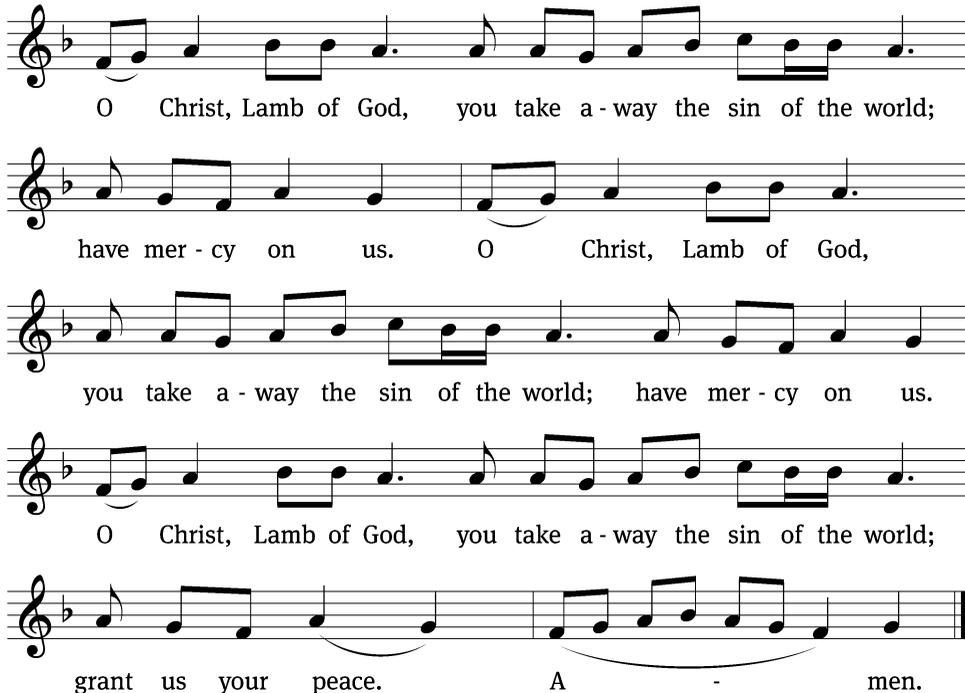
M Our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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.

C Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - - men.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

A PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

Lord, I am a sinner. I do not deserve to commune with you, my holy God. But because of your Son and through faith in him, you graciously invite me to not only pray to you but also to come to your Table. Use this sacrament to reassure me of your forgiveness and strengthen me to live a new life of thanksgiving and joy. In Jesus' name. Amen.

(After all those communing have received Lord's Supper, we conclude our celebration)

M Now may this true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in the one true faith unto life everlasting. Be assured, your sins are forgiven.

C Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BLESSING

M 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.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn:

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

Christian Worship, Hymn # 766



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of
2 Still your chil - dren wan-der home-less; still the hun - gry
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re -
4 Sent from wor - ship as your ser - vants, forth in your dear



hu - man need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en,
cry for bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom;
veal - ing light in its height and depth and great - ness,
name we go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged,



of - fered mer - cy's per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants,
still in grief we mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your
dawns up - on our quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the
love in liv - ing deeds to show; hope and health, good -



bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se -
deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul, use the
needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring
will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your



crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift that you im - part.
love your Spir - it kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
us to tire-less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.
ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

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Everyone Outreach Workshop

Saturday November 12th 8-noon Sign up at stjohnstjames.com

Sunday November 13th 12-4pm

Click on the Everyone
Outreach link **OR** the sign
up sheet in the west office

- Lunch and Childcare will be available

Everyone Outreach is designed to help our congregation build a culture of outreach so that every ministry and every member is thinking about and participating in community outreach

OUR FATHER'S BUSINESS

Today

Preacher, Pastor Darin Aden

Music Today—Char Wagner

Thursday—9/1

Last Thursday Worship Service at 6:30 pm

Thursday, August 25 & Sunday, August 28

SERVING YOU THIS WEEK—Thursday, August 25, 6:30 pm Ushers— Scott Bubolz, Brian/Susan Bubolz, Bill Voeltz **Sunday, August 28, 9:00 am Ushers—** Terry/Karen Prochnow, Randy/Sandy Waack, Todd Hickmann ■ **Church Cleaners—8/22-9/4 Gary/Deb Bernhardt, Joe/Judy Hoyer ■ Flower Committee—**Kay Pantzloff & Ida May Krepline ■ **Communion Set-Up/Take-Down—**Suzanne Bubolz, Amanda Schrubbe, Michaela Bubolz.

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK—THURSDAY—6:30 pm Ushers—Jeff Schneider, Jellane Schneider, Arlie Olp **SUNDAY—9:00 am Ushers—**Terry/Karen Prochnow, Randy/Sandy Waack, Todd Hickmann ■ **Church Cleaners—8/22-9/4 Gary/Deb Bernhardt, Joe/Judy Hoyer; 9/5-18 Nancy Hillmann, Sarah Miller, Roger/Judy Hoida ■ Flower Committee—**Judy Hoyer & Audrey Duchow.

MINISTRY RESERVE FUND—We have started a fund for our Second Pastor to help defray costs involved in adding another Pastor. If you wish to give to the Ministry Reserve Fund please place your offering in an envelope and clearly mark it as **Ministry Reserve Fund or 2nd Pastor Fund** and place it in the offering plate. As of July 31st there is a total of \$ 37,299.00 in the Ministry Reserve fund.

2ND PASTOR—Pastor Gregory C. Lyon was called at the 8/18 call meeting for a Youth and Outreach Pastor. Pastor Lyon serves as a Pastor at Wisconsin Lutheran College in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

ANNUAL REPORTS—Our fiscal budget year has ended on June 30, 2022. Our annual meeting will be held on Sunday, October 2nd at 9:00 am. An email has been sent to all committee chairmen to turn in your annual reports as soon as possible. This will give our secretary time to format the report and get it back to the congregation in a timely manner.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER—We are looking for Sunday School teachers, if interested in helping out please contact Melissa at (920) 286-2029.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Sunday School here at SJSJ will begin on September 11th at 9:05 am. All of God's children ages 3 through 6th grade are welcome to attend on any Sunday. Please register as soon as possible to help our director & teachers better prepare for the year. Please go to our website stjohnstjames.com to register. Click on "OUR CHURCH" in the top menu bar & look for Sunday School Registration" under the Important Links on the right-hand side.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY, CREW AND SUNDAY SCHOOL—Please join us for Sunday School, CREW and Adult Bible Study which will begin on Sunday, September 11th at 9:05 am. Come one, come all!

SWEET CORN FEST 2022—The sweet corn will be available inside entrance "A" before or after church on Sunday, August 28th. Free will offering will go to support the MLHS Voucher Program. To date, the MLHS Academic Voucher Committee has awarded 1689 vouchers to students in grades 5-8 that participate in the MLHS Academic Fair. Each voucher is worth \$100 of tuition to Manitowoc Lutheran High School. This program has been around for 14 years and much of the money raised has been through the "Sweet Corn Fest" each summer. Thanks for your support in the past and we hope you make plans to participate in this great program.

INDOOR WORSHIP SCHEDULE UPDATE—**Outdoor Worship is completed.** Church services will be Thursday at 6:30 pm and 9:00 am on Sundays thru Labor Day weekend on Sept 4th in the Church Sanctuary. Starting September 11 we will resume our services at 8:00am and 10:15am.

HEATING SYSTEM—On Sunday May 22nd our voters decided to go ahead with a new heating system for our 1961 addition. The cost is \$49,975.00. For funding this project, we will take \$8,500.00 from the LaVerne Treichel estate, \$5,000.00 from Scrip and \$15,000.00 from Fund A in the Endowment Fund. This leaves about \$25,000 for the congregation to take care of. We will have a special offering from June 19th to September 11th. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Duchow at 920-754-4751 or 920-860-9379. Presently given—\$ 27,655.00.

THRIVENT T-SHIRTS—On the table in the West Church office you will find some free t-shirts of various sizes, please help yourself.

MISSION FESTIVAL—The Mission festival is taking place on October 16, 2022. More info to follow when available.

WORSHIP ADDITION—A additional Thursday evening service will be held on Oct.6,2022 due to Packer/London game. Both 8:00am and 10:15am services will be held on October 9, 2022.

MESSENGERS SERVICES RESUME—Starting the first Sunday in October and the first Sunday of each month, the Messengers will again be leading the musical portion of the service.

ELDERS MEETING—There will be an Elders' Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 6th at 7:00 pm.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP—SJSJ will begin serving coffee, cappuccino, and hot chocolate on Sundays starting at 7:30am (before early service) until after late service. This is an opportunity for fellowship and camaraderie for our members. Coffee, etc. will be served in both the commons and narthex area.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—The Evangelism Committee is looking for volunteers to help make and serve coffee, cappuccino, and hot chocolate on Sundays starting at 7:30am throughout the year. If interested in doing so there is a sign up sheet in the West Church office. When the Evangelism committee gets enough individuals to participate a schedule will be put together and disbursed out to our volunteers.

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION - SAVE THE DATE!!

Register today for the EVERYONE OUTREACH WORKSHOP!!

St. John St. James is participating in an exciting new program called Everyone Outreach. The program will help us build a culture of outreach so that every ministry and every member is equipped and encouraged to reach the lost in our community. **Everyone Outreach kicks off with an interactive 2-day workshop on Saturday November 12th from 8-noon and Sunday November 13th 12-4pm** at St. John St. James. Each participant will leave the workshop with sustainable ways to personally help build our congregation's outreach culture. **Register for the workshop online at stjohnstjames.com and click on the Everyone Outreach link, or use the sign-up sheet in the west office at church.** If you have any Questions, you can Visit **everyoneoutreach.com** or contact Arlie Olp, Corey Marohn or Pastor Aden. We encourage every member of our congregation

to attend the workshop and participate. In fact, the more members that attend, the more likely it is that our culture shift for community outreach will be successful!

St. John – St. James Voter’s Call Meeting Highlights —August 18, 2022

- a) There were 13 voting members and 20 total members present.
- b) A unanimous ballot was cast for Pastor Gregory C. Lyon to be our second Pastor by a unanimous ballot.

Would you like to give the council members your feedback on the Outdoor Worship? A list of our Council Members, phone numbers and emails are listed below:

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OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE—AUGUST 15-21, 2022

Church Attendance: Thursday—70 Sunday—136 Total: 206

Offerings: General Fund—\$ 9,033.75*, Synod—\$ 545.50*, MLHS—\$ 221.50*

Total \$ 9,800.75* **Special Offerings:** Building Fund: \$ 2,735.00 *,

(needed each week \$2,312) Ministry Reserve—\$ 25.00* ■ Communion Cups Fund—

\$ 500.00 ***Electronic Offerings included**