

## Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

February 7, 2021

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Sermon Text: Mark 1:29-39

Sermon Title: "A Lonely Place"

Hymns: 790, 398, 684

Divine Service: Setting 3, pg. 184

### Introit 13:6

**Ps. 13:3-5; antiphon: Ps.**

**P.:** I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

**C.:** Consider and answer me, O LORD my God, light up my eyes, lest I sleep of death,

**P.:** Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

**C.:** But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

**ALL SING "Glory be to the Father..." (pg. 186)**

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### THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today	9:00am	Sunday School/Bible Study
	10:00am	Worship
		Council meeting after church
Wednesday	7:00pm	Confirmation/Youth Group
Sunday	9:00am	Sunday School/Bible Study
	10:00am	Worship w/Holy Communion

**LAST WEEK...** The January 31<sup>st</sup> offering was \$2,231 for the general Fund/Loose Offering; including \$270 for Missions, \$50 for Lutheran Hour, \$8,628 for Ariel Dolmos-Jones Mission (sent from Redeemer Lutheran Church/Marquette, MI), \$55 for the Church Basement/Sunday School Classroom Fund, \$20 for the Madagascar Mission. There was a total deposit of \$11,254.00.

**BACKPACKS FOR FAMILIES IN NEED ...** St. John is packing up backpacks for families in need. Next drop off date is February 18<sup>th</sup>. Please let Pastor Christian know if you are interested in helping pick up backpacks or drop off the filled ones. Thank you!

**ISSUES ETC. ...** This week's topics include: Christian Nationalism, The Equality Act, Donor Conception, Media Coverage of Religion and more. Tune in at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), LPR mobile app or any podcast provider.

**THANK YOU ...** to Hope Anderson for the new "kiddie" bags to use during worship.

**LWML NATIONAL CONVENTION ...** Early registration began February 1<sup>st</sup>. "Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus," the Lexington, KY held June 24-27, 2021 convention will be a faith-filled opportunity for women all over the USA. Hebrews 12:1-2. A registration form will be on the table near Pastor's office if you'd like to make a printed copy.

**RSVP...** on Facebook to attend the 150<sup>th</sup> celebration in August 2021. Please link to <https://fb.me/e/48n0NzyTT>. Alternatively, please contact the church office.

**MEETING ...** Church Council meeting today after church.

**THANK YOU ...** Thanks for the prayers and generous gifts this past Christmas. I really appreciate it! Mary Baker

**LUTHERANS FOR LIFE ...** are holding an Essay Contest for two age groups (confirmation/youth group: Grades 6-8, Grades 9-12) based on the theme: "God Chose You" with the Bible verse: "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit." John 15:16. More information on the board by the office.

*Announcement deadline: Noon, Thursdays to Pastor or Ali (706) 284-0646, [secretaryst.john@outlook.com](mailto:secretaryst.john@outlook.com)*