
We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure...

Hebrews 6:19



St. John Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

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Mission Statement: To be an anchor of hope in Christ!

October 5/6

*We cordially welcome all who are worshipping with us this week.
May our Lord Jesus Christ grant you the will and the wisdom
to renounce the world and to live as His follower and disciple.*

VISITORS – you are invited to share your names and addresses in our Guest Book in the entryway of the church.

COMMUNION POLICY

As an expression of our faith and fellowship as the Missouri Synod Lutherans we welcome to the Sacrament those baptized Christians who:

- confess and repent of their sins; believe in the Triune God, and in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior;
- believe that they receive Christ's true Body and Blood with the Bread and Wine for forgiveness of sins, new life and salvation;
- promise to change their sinful life with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Oneness at the altar requires oneness in doctrine, faith, and life (Acts 2:42). Therefore, "Let each person examine himself, and thus eat of the bread and drink of the cup" (1 Corinthians 11:28)

Visitors and Guests - please speak with the Pastor or a Deacon before the worship service.

Visitors and Members - please fill out a communion registration card found next to the hymnals. Please hand it to an usher or place it in the offering plate.

Visitors – please write your names and addresses in our Guest Book in the entry way of the church.

Parents – we encourage you to bring your children up with you during the communion celebration for a pastoral blessing. Remember Jesus' words: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Mark 10:14).

2019 LWML Sunday Worship Service

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is the official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has affirmed each woman's identity as a child of God and her relationship with Jesus Christ. Lutheran Women in Mission are women of faith, empowered for active service in Jesus' name and bold support of missions through Mite Box offerings. As Christians, our faith propels us all into God's mission and gives us confidence that God's amazing grace will supply our needs and move His mission forward.

FAITH LIKE A MUSTARD SEED

HYMN: Tune 525 "With Joy We Come Together"

- 1) With joy we come together, Our hearts of one accord,
Rejoicing in the blessings of serving You, O Lord.
The gifts that You have given Make us a mighty throng.
With thankfulness we raise up Our praise to You in song.**
- 2) We celebrate the women, Who've served You through the years,
Sustaining one another Through vict'ry, trials, and fears.
We follow now their service, Devoted, Christ, to You.
No matter what Your errand, We'll strive to follow through.**
- 3) Through ministries supported, We've seen Your love outpoured.
With mites that You've provided, We've learned to trust You, Lord.
Our many hands have served You, Yet much is left undone.
Your mission must continue In reaching everyone.**
- 4) Lord, with Your love and guidance, We'll serve You faithfully.
Wherever You should lead us, We'll follow willingly.
May we be bold in witness So others see Your grace.
That we may one day worship Together face to face.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Confident in His steadfast love, we approach our heavenly Father, seeking His forgiveness.

C: Merciful Father, I confess that I have sinned against You in thought, word, and action. I have done that which You forbid, and I have failed to do that which You command. I have grown timid and afraid when confronted by evil. I have not trusted You completely when facing challenges bigger than myself. For the sake of the atoning work of Your Son, Jesus Christ, my Savior, forgive me. By Your Holy Spirit, lead me to a faith more confident in Your wisdom, grace, and power. Lord, put my faith to work for the sake of Your kingdom. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all of your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: 826 “Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying”

1) Hark, the voice of Jesus crying,
"Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting--
Who will bear the sheaves away?"
Loud and long the Master calleth;
Rich reward He offers thee.
Who will answer, gladly saying,
"Here am I, send me, send me"?

**2) Let none hear you idly saying,
"There is nothing I can do,"
While the multitudes are dying
And the Master calls for you.
Take the task He gives you gladly,
Let His work your pleasure be;
Answer quickly when He calleth,
"Here am I, send me, send me!"**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray together,

C: **O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your Church. Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1–4; 2:1–4

1 The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw. 2 O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? 3 Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. 4 So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted. 1 I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint. 2 And the Lord answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. 3 For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. 4 "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 62

L: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.

C: He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

L: How long will all of you attack a man to batter him, like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

C: They only plan to thrust him down from his high position. They take pleasure in falsehood. They bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse.

L: For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him.

C: He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

L: On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

C: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

L: Those of low estate are but a breath; those of high estate are a delusion; in the balances they go up; they are together lighter than a breath.

C: Put no trust in extortion; set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, set not your heart on them.

L: Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that power belongs to God,

C: and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love. For you will render to a man according to his work. Glory be to the Father and to Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1–14

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus, 2 To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

3 I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. 4 As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. 5 I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. 6 For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, 7 for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. 8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, 9 who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, 10 and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, 11 for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, 12 which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me. 13 Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 14 By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE: 712 “Seek Ye First”

- 1) Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And His righteousness
And All These things shall be added unto you
Allelu, Alleluia!**
- 2) Man does not live by bread alone. But by every word
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord,
Allelu, Alleluia!**

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 17:1–10

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

1 And he [Jesus] said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! 2 It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. 3 Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, 4 and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him." 5 The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" 6 And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. 7 "Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? 8 Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? 9 Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? 10 So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'"

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into
heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

HYMN OF THE DAY: 660 “Stand Up, Stand Up, For Jesus”

SERMON: “Faith Like What?”

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Friends in Christ, lift up your hearts to God and pray with me.
Almighty God, give to your church a boldness of faith
which is not afraid to go where You lead us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We thank You for the mission and ministry of the Lutheran Women’s
Missionary League, supporting Your work across the world. By Your
Spirit, strengthen and encourage all Christian women as they fulfill their
various callings in service to You. Sustain our generosity as we support
mission outreach through our LWML Mite Boxes. Lord, by Your power,
multiply our gifts for Your kingdom’s increase. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Bring healing, Lord, to those who are sick.... Bring comfort and hope
to the grieving.... Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: With grateful hearts we celebrate Your grace in the lives of the newly
baptized..., those just married..., and those with birthdays and
anniversaries.... Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: For all who lead in the world and in our nation..., and for those who lead
in Your church...; bless them to lead with humility, wisdom, justice,
and peace. Protect all who serve us in harm’s way.... Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Lord of life, use us, Your people, to provide for the poor and the hungry
across the world. Through Your church, preserve and defend the unborn
and all victims of hate and injustice. Renew our faith as we serve boldly
in Your kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

OFFERING

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of the universe, for You have had mercy on us and blessed us with a living, active faith in Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Here we remember and proclaim all that He has done for us, how He has saved us from sin, death, and hell by His bitter suffering and death and His glorious resurrection. Therefore with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS: Sung to Tune 507

1) Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!

**Day and night we join to praise Your love and majesty.
You alone are holy, worthy and righteous.
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

2) Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!

**We rejoice to join in hymns Of earth and sky and sea.
Generations praise You, with the saints and angels
Holy and blessed through all eternity.**

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.**

P: In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command and with His own words, we receive His promises in this Sacrament.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P: 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 the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and, when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

LAMB OF GOD: Tune 701

- 1) O Lamb of God, we pray;
Take all our sins away
Our faith increase.
Have mercy on us all,
Strengthen us when we fall,
Answer our fervent call
And grant us peace.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 620 "Jesus Comes Today with Healing"

THANKSGIVING: Tune 789 "Praise and Thanksgiving"

- 1) Father, we thank You for all Your blessings
Food at this table, graces divine,
Oneness in faith, our Savior confessing
His very presence, mystery sublime.**
- 2) Yours is the kingdom. Yours is the sending.
Yours is the message, rich with Your love,
Ours for the telling, truth without ending,
Ours for the singing, here and above.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray. O God the Father, we give You thanks that in this meal You strengthen us for service in Your kingdom. Your love in this sacrament motivates us to live out our faith in Jesus Christ, Your Son, in all of our callings and relationships. By Your Holy Spirit, give us grace to go out with boldness to witness to what we have seen and heard; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN: Tune 662 “Serve the Lord with Gladness”

1) “Serve the Lord with gladness!”

It is He alone

Who redeemed us sinners,

Guides us as His own

To enjoy the blessings

Of His love and grace,

Will at last in glory

Meet us face to face.

Onward, then, for Jesus!

Let this be our aim:

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

Glorify His name.

2) **“Serve the Lord with gladness!”**

He gave us command
To proclaim His Gospel
Now in every land
So that fellow sinners
May, like us, be blest.
Leading them to Jesus,
We can serve Him best.
Onward, then, for Jesus!
Let this be our aim:
“Serve the Lord with gladness!”
Glorify His name!

3) **“Serve the Lord with gladness!”**

There’s no greater joy
Than to serve the Master,
Work in His employ.
As we build His kingdom
Angels, too, rejoice
Over every sinner
Brought to hear His voice.
Onward, then, for Jesus!
Let this be our aim:
“Serve the Lord with gladness!”
Glorify His name!

Those Serving the Lord This Weekend

Officiant: Rev. Phillip Phifer

Readers: Sunday – Candace Kowalski & Donna Hopp

Organist: Saturday – Deanna Karsten

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Deacons: Saturday – Willard Brege & Terry Bellmore

Sunday – Tyler Idalski & Andy Grulke

Ushers: Saturday – Deacons

Sunday – Tammi Altman, Marcia Pidgen

Carol Shay & Donna Hopp

Weekly Calendar- October 5 to 13

Saturday/5	5:00p	Holy Communion (Green)
Sunday/6	10:30a	Holy Communion (Green) LWML Sunday
Monday/7		Scrip Orders Due (am)
Tuesday/8	6:00p	Church Council
Wednesday/9	3:15p	Choir
	6:00p	Handbells
	7:15p	Bible Study
Thursday/10	8:00a	Men's Breakfast at Karstens
	10:00a	Women's Study (St. Michael's)
	12:30p	Ladies Aid
	4:15p	Medilodge Worship
Saturday/12	5:00p	Worship (Green) Quilt Packing (Please Help)
Sunday/13	10:30a	Holy Communion (Green) Pastor Appreciation
	3:00p	Confirmation

Pastor Phil is in the office at St. John Lutheran Church
Tuesday through Friday from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

Those Sharing Their Faith with Us

Attendance: Saturday/28: 39; Sunday/29: 82

In Loving Memory of Dolores Blair

A gift was given by

*Deedra & David Haselhuhn, Ryley, Isabel & Lucy
to the St. John Youth Group Trip Fund*



Thank You Ladies Aid

Did you know? That the Ladies Aid has, over the past years, paid for the weekly church bulletin covers that are ordered through Concordia Publishing at an annual cost of \$660.

Did you know? That the Ladies Aid have allocated \$500 to pay for new entry mats for church.

Thank you ladies for your generosity.

CHURCH EXTENSION NEWS

At the fall conference of the Michigan District Church Extension Fund meeting held on September 28-29, in Auburn Hills, our CER (Church Extension Rep) Donald Schaedig was recognized for his service as a CER for his dedication and commitment to the ministry of Church Extension Fund. The theme for this year's meeting was "The Joy of Generosity" which directed the attendees to focus on their response to God's gift of grace through his Son, Jesus Christ.

Church Extension Fund is a ministry of partnering Christians to make resources available for members and churches of the Michigan District in carrying forward the Great Commission.

Please feel free to talk to Don about CEF, 734-3892,
dschaedig@hotmail.com

NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

A new women's Bible study will begin on Thursday, October 10 at St. Michael Lutheran Church. We'll meet in the school classroom every Thursday at 10:00am. The first six week session will focus on Outspoken Heroes of the Faith including Isaiah, the Woman at the Well, Stephen, Philip, Peter, and Paul.

There is no cost. The lesson will be provided. You just need to bring your Bible and a pen or pencil. We hope you can join us. Contact leader, Linda Schalk at 766-8073 if you have any questions.

SOAP BARS

With your help, through October 6 soap bars will once again be gathered and sent to Lutheran World Relief. A basket is in the narthex for your gift of soap bars. Please keep them in their original wrappers. Thank you!

MEN'S BREAKFAST HAS BEGUN

We welcome all the men of St. John to join our weekly breakfasts, which will be held on Thursdays at 8:00am at Karstens Restaurant. At each breakfast we will study the upcoming Sunday's Gospel Lesson. This week will be Luke 17:11-19. See you there!

PASTOR APPRECIATION WILL BE HELD OCT. 13 after church in the narthex .It will be sponsored by Ladies Aid. Please come and thank Pastor Phifer for all he does and share in Christian fellowship.

COULD USE SOME JOYFUL HELPING HANDS

If you would like to serve St. John on Oct. 14 at 9am we will be cleaning the benches and moving the cushions. This is a big job so help would be appreciated. Contact Joan Nowak 734 3404.

DONUT DAY IS OCTOBER 16!

FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

Now that fall has arrived, please check out the coffee fellowship sign-up sheet. Consider sharing some time to offer coffee and or a small snack for church Saturday or Sunday. Groups can use the free will offering to raise funds. Individuals can filter the collection back into the coffee fund. Sheet is on the Erie St. bulletin board.

GREETING CARDS

Ladies will be selling greeting cards in the narthex the second weekend of the month. We will be getting Thanksgiving and Christmas. If there is anything special you would like, let one of the ladies aid members know. Thanks for your support!

ST. MICHAEL FUNDRAISER

Do you enjoy Watkins products? If you do, stop in the St. John School office to place an order. Profits go to St. Michael's Ladies Aid. An order form will be on the counter until end of the sale.

THANKSGIVING MITE BOX COLLECTION—

**PICK UP A BOX TODAY AND RETURN ON
THANKSGIVING WEEKEND.**

MITE BOXES are used to collect money for Missions to further spread the Good News of Jesus' love here and throughout the world.



White Fish Dinner

Fish supplied by King's Fish Market

Moran, MI

\$13.00 Dinner includes:

Potato, Coleslaw, Rolls, & Dessert Bar

Friday, October 11th. 2019

4pm-7pm

(or until sold out)

Peace Lutheran Church

1401 M-68 Hwy. Rogers City

734-7621

Take Outs Available

½ of profit will go towards the LCMS Disaster Relief Fund



Rogers City Area Christmas
Outreach Program

For persons living in the follow areas: 49779, 49743 and 49776

**DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEED HELP PUTTING
GIFTS UNDER THE TREE THIS YEAR?**

CALL US – WE CAN HELP!

989-734-7656 or 989-351-0429

Referrals accepted October 10 – November 22

Call for more details



TRUNK AND TREAT

October 31, 5:00-7:00pm

**St. John Lutheran Church
460 West Erie, Rogers City**

BRING YOUR GHOSTS AND GOBLINS!

We will be holding a Trunk and Treat in the Church parking lot and your trunk is needed to make this event possible. Please, decorate your trunk and bring treats to share with the community children.

*For more information call Donna Hopp 734-4240,
Jackie Langlois 734-3856, or Joan Altman 734-2228.*

Monetary gifts are welcome to help fund this event.

Quilters Notes

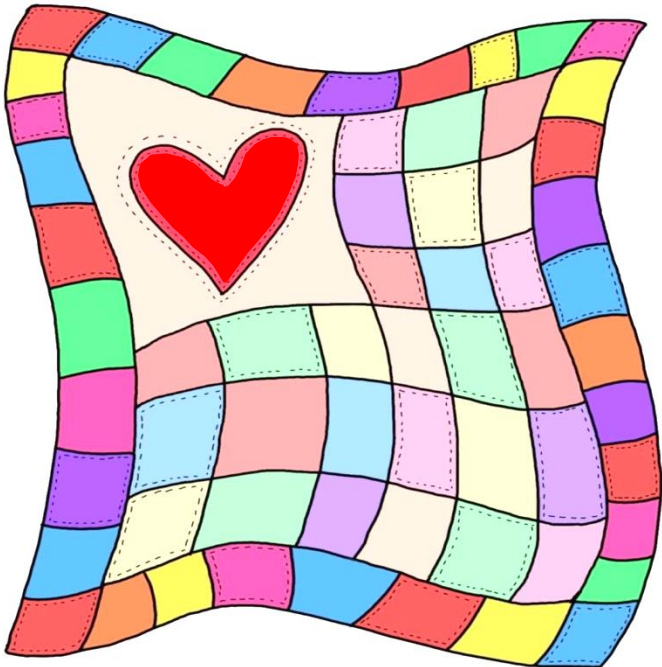
Please disregard the date for quilt packing on the weekly calendar page of your bulletin. The note below contains accurate information.

We hope everyone takes time to look and participate in the blessing of our display of quilts, school kits and soap for Lutheran World Relief.

We will be packing the items on Monday, October 7 at about 9:30am, so we can use some help at that time.

A thank you to everyone, and the Ladies Aid, who gave \$25 for soap and \$200 toward the shipping of the items. It is a great feeling that we may have helped someone.

Thanks to Ron Altman who has volunteered to take the items to Alpena on October 12.



St. John Lutheran School's 18th annual

“A Taste of Italy”
Italian Dinner
and Auction

Saturday, October 26, 2019

St. John Lutheran School, 145 N. Fifth Street in Rogers City

Silent Auction begins at 4:00

Live auction begins at 7:00

Dinner will be served 4:30-6:30

Dinner menu includes lasagna, Italian pasta,
garlic bread, salad bar and irresistible desserts

Adults (11 & Up) \$12 • Children \$5
Children five and under eat free
Carryout available for \$12



Thank you for
helping us
raise funds for
our school!

Tickets are available from St. John families.

*If you don't know any St. John families
or would like more information about the auction,
contact Monica at (989) 766-8114*

We are still taking ads and auction items!