



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 20, 2019 † 8:30 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA

Welcome to worship at St. John's!

We especially welcome all who are visiting this morning!

*All are invited to **sign the welcome sheets** in the black folders at the end of the pews.*

*Please pass them to the center and then back
so you can greet those worshipping around you.
Ushers will gather these following worship.*

*In the red pew hymnal (Evangelical Lutheran Worship),
page numbers are at the bottom of the page in the front section,
and hymn numbers are at the top of the page in the hymn section.*

An asterisk () invites you to stand as you are able.*

P Pastor, **L** Leader (Assisting Minister), **C** Congregation

Children are welcome to participate throughout our
worship service, including at Holy Communion.

*Parents, please assist children when they come forward for communion
to extend their hands if they are to receive the bread and wine.*

Children's Bibles and activity bags
are available at both entrances to the Sanctuary
and scribble cards are available in the pews.

Hearing assistance devices are available outside the Sanctuary or from an usher.

Large print bulletins are available for worship services.



*St. John's Lutheran Church is a community grounded in the promise of God's grace
and called to extend Christ's welcome to all people. Every day, Christ meets us all just as
we are, extending love to people of every age, race or ethnicity, physical appearance,
sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, marital or
relationship status, economic circumstance, educational achievement,
political affiliation, or religious background.*

*While we do not always agree, we choose to walk and grow in faith together,
believing that God creates diversity, and loves and welcomes us.*

We warmly welcome you here.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude — “Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness” BWV 654

J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

*Thanksgiving for Baptism

P ...for with you is the fountain of life.

C In your light we see light.

***Gathering Hymn** — No. 312

“Jesus, Come! For We Invite You”

*Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day

P Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — Isaiah 62:1-5

Pew Bible, page 604

After the reading:

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody — Psalm 36

Psalm Paraphrase by Isaac Watts, TRURO



High in the heavens, e - ter - nal God, your good - ness
 For - ev - er firm your jus - tice stands, as moun - tains
 From the pro - vi - sions of your house we shall be
 Life, like a foun - tain, rich and free, springs from the

in full glo - ry shines: your truth shall break through
 their foun - da - tions keep; wise are the won - ders
 fed with sweet re - past; there mer - cy like a
 pres - ence of the Lord, and in your light our

ev - 'ry cloud that veils and dark - ens your de - signs.
 of your hands; your judg - ments are a might - y deep.
 riv - er flows and brings sal - va - tion to our taste.
 souls shall see the glo - ries prom - ised in your word.


Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Pew Bible, page 933

After the reading:

- ☐ The word of the Lord.
- ☒ Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

***Gospel** — John 2:1-11

Spark Story Bible, page 410; Pew Bible, page 863

Before the reading:

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 2nd chapter.

G Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

P The Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Jonathan Davis

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 688

“Lord of Light”

***The 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.

***Prayers of Intercession**

After each petition:

- Ⓔ Lord, in your mercy,
Ⓒ hear our prayer.

***Peace**

- Ⓔ The peace of Christ be with you always.

- Ⓒ And also with you.

You are invited to share God's peace with those around you.

Offering of Our Gifts

Music at the Offering:

"Love Came Down at Christmas"

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

Rejoice Ringers

***Offering Hymn — "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" stanza 2**

SALZBURG

**Manifest at Jordan's stream, prophet, priest, and king supreme;
and at Cana wedding guest in thy Godhead manifest;
manifest in pow'r divine, changing water into wine;
anthems be to thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.**

***Offering Prayer**

- Ⓔ Let us pray together.

- Ⓐ God with us: you came as a baby to a manger.

You slept on straw and greeted shepherds.

You come again in bread and wine.

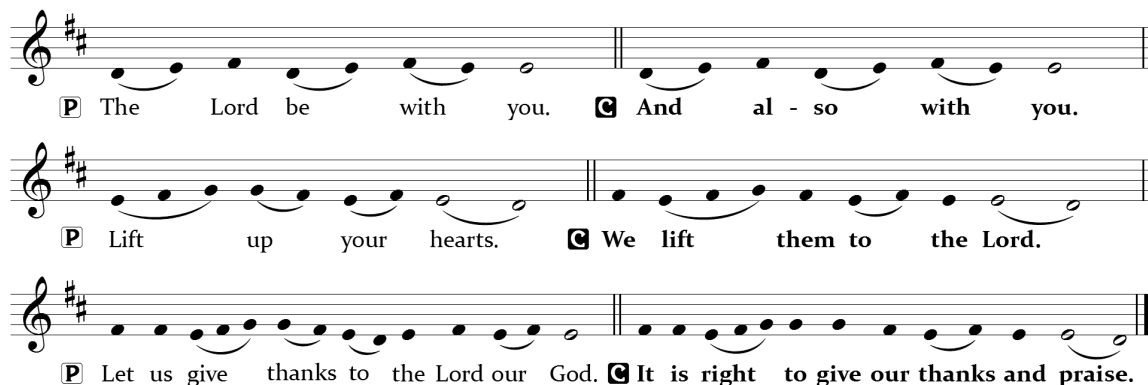
Remind us how good you are at blessing ordinary things.

**And then, through these gifts, help us to bless the lives of others
in the strength of your holy name.**

Amen.

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Great Thanksgiving

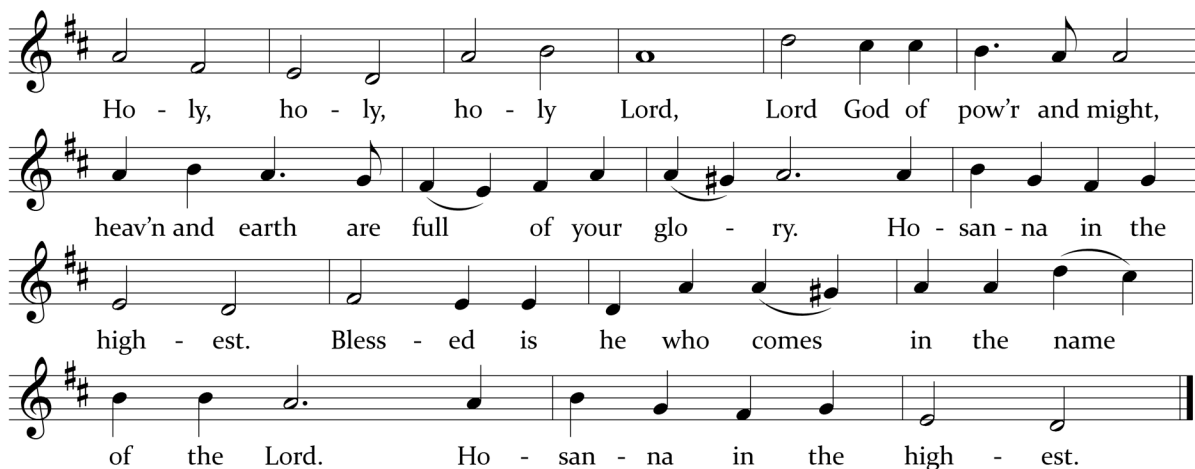


P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

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 our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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

*Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

*All God's children are welcome at the table. Communion will be received standing at the front of the sanctuary; ushers will direct you forward. **Gluten-free wafers** are available in the middle. After you have been served the bread, you will be offered **wine or grape juice**. The **grape juice** is white and is located in the center of the tray. If you are unable to come forward, let an usher know, and communion will be brought to you.*

Music during Communion

"Lamb of God"

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Anthem — "Be Very Joyful" from BWV 13

J. S. Bach/arr. Shawn Gingrich

Hymn — No. 488

"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

Post-Communion Blessing

***Prayer after Communion**

L Let us pray.

A O Morning Star, fair and bright,
you have refreshed again with heavenly food.
You are our dearest treasure.
Go with us now—
today, tomorrow, and every day—
that we tell the story of your never-ending love
and sing your praise both now and forever
Amen.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD’S WORLD

Blessing of 5 years of service for Pastor Pam Fickenscher

***Blessing**

Response:

C Amen.

***Sending Hymn** — No. 575

“In Christ Called to Baptize”

***Dismissal**

L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

A Thanks be to God.

Postlude — Fugue in G Minor, BWV 578

J. S. Bach



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding	Pastor Pam Fickenschner
Preaching	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Assisting Minister	Will Schroeer
Organist	David Fienen
Choir	Rejoice Ringers, Zachery Pelletier director
Oboe	Jaida Gehring
Acolytes	(8:30) Rhett Garlie, Jake Tanghe (10:45) Gus Welbaum, Louise Welbaum
Communion Preparers	Francis Boehning and Erik Boehning
Communion Server	TBD
Communion Cleanup	Lydia Moe, Marilyn McRae Raadt
Greeters / Welcome Desk	(8:30) Shirley Falck, Angie Gehring (10:45) Angie Gehring, Judy Karlson
Coffee and Refreshments	Jennifer Edwins, Shirley Falck, Imogene Nelson, Alyssa Ness
Nursery	Erica Anderson
Counters	David Norman, Otto and LaVerne Reitz, Mark Ulmer
Ushers	(8:30) Mark Anderson, Jim Bierman, Jerry Bothun, Dave Hagen, Sue Hagen, Nicholas Gonnerman, Patsy Ophaug, John Ophaug (10:45) Bonnie Jean Flom, Ruth Dahl, Susan Immel, Greg Norman, Doug O'Leary, Wally Wegner

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Annual Meeting and Potluck Today!

The potluck meal will begin immediately after the 2nd worship service.
The church will provide coffee, water, and lemonade.

Following the potluck lunch we will meet to:

- hear reports
- elect council and board members for 2019
- approve the 2019 budget

The St. John's Foundation meeting will take place just before the congregational meeting.

Learning and Fellowship Between Services

This Week (January 20):

Coffee and Fellowship, Commons

Sunday School: Preschool-Grade 5 (9:45-10:30 a.m., Lower Level)

Middle School Youth Group: Grades 6-8 (9:45 a.m., Youth Room)

St. John's Forum: Anniversary Benevolence Project (9:45 a.m., Sanctuary)

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Coffee and Fellowship, Commons

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Middle School Youth Group: Grades 6-8 (9:45 a.m., Youth Room)

St. John's Forum: Joint Religious Leaders Coalition (9:45 a.m., Sanctuary)

Accompany Newcomer Gathering (9:45-10:30 a.m., Undercroft)

Wednesday Night



**Served from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.
in St. John's Hall**

Wednesday, January 23
Hot Turkey Commercials

All are welcome!

Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in memory of Omar and Margery Otterness by the Otterness Children. Sunday services are broadcast on KYMN Radio 1080AM / 95.1FM from 8:30-9:30 a.m. on Sundays. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast (cost is \$160), please contact the church office. Dates available: January 27 and February 3, 10, 17 & 24. Video broadcasts can be seen on Northfield Community Television – cable channel 180 (please note change of channel number), Mondays at 7:30 p.m. and Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

St. John's Forum

Today, 9:45-10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

Topic: Anniversary Benevolence Project: Affordable Housing and the Community Action Center

In honor of our 150th anniversary, St. John's has given a benevolence grant to the Community Action Center (CAC) as a lead gift for new affordable housing in Northfield. During this forum, Scott Wopata, director of the CAC, will share with us the new and exciting developments with this project.

Middle School Youth Group

Sundays, 9:45-10:30 a.m., Youth Room

Come to the Youth Room for highs and lows, and a discussion of the common question "*Why should I pray when God doesn't answer all of my prayer?*". And enjoy cookies or doughnuts, along with hot chocolate and marshmallows!

Manna and Mercy Text Study

Mondays, 12:00-1:00 p.m., Fireside Room

The Manna and Mercy group that gathers on Mondays has now become a weekly text study for the upcoming Scripture readings in worship. This is a great opportunity to read through and discuss the Bible texts before they are read and preached on Sunday morning. It is also a great opportunity to meet other people and grow in faith.

Courageous Conversations Book Study: "Waking Up White" Continues

Thursdays, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., January 24, February 7 & 21, March 7 & 21, Fireside Room

Courageous Conversations is hosting a second discussion of Debbie Irving's "Waking Up White." Everyone is welcome. This event is sponsored by St. John's Women of the ELCA.

Do you have photos from last Sunday's visit from the St. Olaf Choir and reception?

If so, we would love to see them! Please send them via email to photos@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

St. John's Website

Please check out our website at www.StJohnsNorthfield.org.



We invite you to **mark your calendars** for these special 150th anniversary events:

Sunday, April 28: We will continue our Easter celebrations with a special focus on local composers and local visual artists.

Sunday, July 14: We will get outdoors together and celebrate with a family friendly social event.

October 26-28: Our **Capstone Event** will include something for everyone - kids, neighbors, history buffs, and people who just love to get together, share food, and celebrate.

Board Orientation: Tuesday, January 22

6:00 p.m.

Pizza and Fellowship Time

(new and returning board members are welcome)

6:30 p.m.

Orientation for New Board Members

(returning board members are welcome)

7:00 p.m.

Board Meetings Begin

Children and Youth Ministries

Tomorrow's No School Day Events for Children and Youth

- Grades 2-8 are invited to Jesse James Lanes for a St. John's Bowling Event from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sign up in the Commons
- High School Youth: High School Youth are invited to a "Trip to an Escape Room". We will carpool from St. John's at 11:00 a.m. and begin the day at Augsburg College to listen to a speaker talk about Martin Luther King, Jr., have lunch in the college cafeteria, then head over to Trapped in St. Paul. Sign up in the Commons, outside the Youth Room, or contact Angie Gehring at youth@StJohnsNorthfield.org or 507-645-4429.

Prayer Requests

We are called to remember one another in prayer. The church office has been made aware of the following persons for whom we pray today. This list is also for your use this week.

Healing and Support

Those in the hospital or in need of healing

Herb Fick, Joann Jorgensen, Jane Koskovich

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Chuck Muckey

Family of Donna Kallestad

Those with ongoing health concerns

Marybeth Bremer, Fred Gonnerman, Elvin Heiberg, Fred Huemoeller, Mary Ingbritsen, Becky Ness, Susan Nissen, Betty Schuette, Eulalie Smestad, Joanne Sommers, Jim Thompson, Laila Burns Hedstrom

All who are homebound, including

Lois Rand, Sylvia Solberg, Dorothy Ostlie

Involved in the mission of the church who have ties to St. John's

The Savior (El Salvador) Lutheran Church in El Cocuy, Colombia;

Iambi Lutheran Church in Iambi, Tanzania; Randy Stubbs & Family,

ELCA missionaries in Tanzania; Curtis and Katie Kline, ELCA missionaries in Colombia

Members of St. John's studying at seminary, including

Henry Burt, Hayden Kvamme

Refugees from Ethiopia being sponsored by St. John's

Paul, Ariat, and their family

Prayer Requests / Stephen Ministry Requests

Stephen Ministry Requests

Call Joan Halvorson at 507-645-8445 or one of the pastors at 507-645-4429.

Prayer Chain Requests

Contact Mary Cisar at 507-663-1097 or macisar@gmail.com, or contact a pastor.

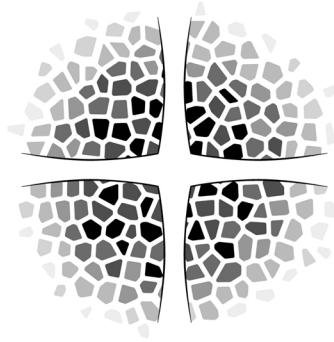
Lectionary Readings for Next Week (January 27):

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 + Psalm 19 + 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a + Luke 4:14-21

This Week At-a-Glance

Mon., Jan. 21	10:30 a.m.	Bowling Event for Grades 2-8, Jesse James Lanes
	11:00 a.m.	High School Youth Event, Meet at St. John's to Carpool
	12:00 p.m.	Manna and Mercy Text Study, Fireside Room
	6:00 p.m.	Pub Theology, TBD
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts, Kitchen
Tue., Jan. 22	8:45 a.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall
	10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting, Fireside Room
		Knitters (World Vision: Knit for Kids), Offsite
	2:00 p.m.	Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room
	6:00 p.m.	Board Orientation, St. John's Hall
Wed., Jan. 23	3:45 p.m.	Wednesday After School Programming (Grades K-5)
	4:00 p.m.	CAT (Grades 4-5), Grade 4 - Undercroft / Grade 5 - Room 20
	4:15 p.m.	Alleluia Choir (Grades K-2), Room 205
	4:45 p.m.	Jubilate Choir (Grades 3-5), Room 209
	5:15 p.m.	Wednesday Night Meal, St. John's Hall
		Laudate Choir (Grades 6-12), Room 205
	6:15 p.m.	Confirmation (Grades 6), Undercroft
		Confirmation (Grades 7-8), Fellowship Hall
		High School Youth Group (Grades 9-12), Youth Room
	7:00 p.m.	St. John's Chorale, Room 209
Thursday, Jan. 24	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Knitters, Room 19
	11:30 a.m.	Courageous Conversations Book Study, Fireside Room
	1:00 p.m.	Laura Baker Services Art & Technology Team, Fireside Room
	6:00 p.m.	Rejoice Ringers, Balcony
Friday, Jan. 25	8:45 a.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall
	12:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop #25258, Undercroft
Saturday, Jan. 26		No Scheduled Activities - Building Closed
Sunday, Jan. 27	8:30 a.m.	Worship / Nursery (For Schedule Between Services, please see page 11)
	10:45 a.m.	Worship / Nursery
	2:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop #25258, Undercroft



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Call the Church Office, or check the website for a complete listing of staff emails.