



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 26, 2020 † 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 and hymns 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 — “Shalom” from *The Aeolian Sonata*

Dan Locklair

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn — “Field of Stars Awash in Splendor”

HYFRYDOL

Field of stars a - wash in splen - dor, stars of light, for
Gath - ered light of God's own peo - ple, more than each a -
Christ, O Light sur - pass - ing bright - ness, Christ, the ris - ing

glo - ry made, with the light of Christ for - ev - er for the
lone could be, called to serve, be - loved and no - ble, splen - did
Morn - ing Star, light our days and shine out from us in - to

u - ni - verse ar - rayed: not a - lone, your life's cre - a - tion,
in com - mu - ni - ty: man - y are the gifts of bless - ing,
shad - ed fields a - far. Let the saints sing joy in glo - ry,

not a - lone, your dai - ly arc, but as one fair
man - y are the wards of night, may each life in
let God's beau - ty glo - rious rise, for the morn - ing

con - stel - la - tion shin - ing bright - ness in the dark.
Christ a - bid - ing be a beam of ho - ly light.
stars in cho - rus shall fore - shad - ow par - a - dise.

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*Thanksgiving for Baptism

- In these saving waters,
- You shine the light of your promise on us.

***Hymn of Praise** — “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Paul Vasile

Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the be-gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

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***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, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us.
Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness
that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C** Amen.

(10:45) **Anthem** — “Carol of the Fishermen”

Natalie Sleeth

Jubilate Choir and 2nd grade Alleluia Choir singers

HEARING GOD’S WORD

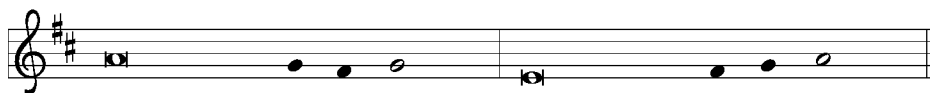
Children’s Message

After the reading:

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

Psalmody — Psalm 27:1, 4-8

Antiphon: The LORD is my light and my salvation.



¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then | shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one | thing I seek;**

**that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God | in the temple.**

⁵For in the day of trouble God will | give me shelter,

hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up- | on a rock.

⁶**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies | who surround me.**

**Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing;
I will sing and make music | to the LORD. *Antiphon***

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, | when I call;

have mercy on me and | answer me.

⁸**My heart speaks your message— | “Seek my face.”**

Your face, O LORD, | I will seek. *Antiphon*

Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

After the reading:

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

***Gospel Acclamation**



***Gospel** — Matthew 4:12-23

Spark Story Bible, page 258; Pew Bible, page 785

Before the reading:

☐ The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 4th chapter.

☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the reading:

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Pam Fickenscher

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 768

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

(8:30) ***The Apostles' Creed** — *Front of the hymnal, page 127*

(10:45) **The Sacrament of Holy Baptism** — *Front of hymnal, pages 227-231*

*The Triune God proclaims **Jackson Anthony Hirdler** as a beloved child this morning in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Jackson's parents are David and Tony Hirdler, and his sponsors are Jeff and Tamitha Olson, Tara Osborn, and Noah Asmussen.*

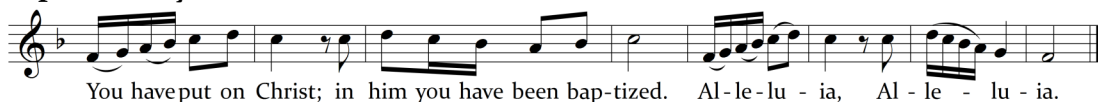
Presentation

☐ People of God, do you promise to support Jackson Anthony and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

☑ **We do.**

***Profession of Faith** — *Front of hymnal, page 229*

***Baptismal Hymn** — “You Have Put on Christ”



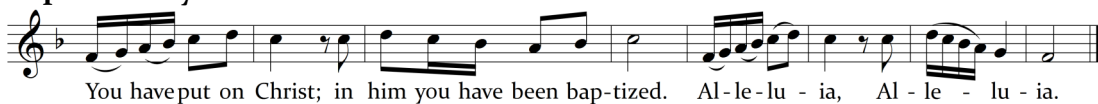
(During the hymn, all children are invited to join the baptismal group at the font.)

***Thanksgiving at the Font** — *Front of hymnal, page 230*

Baptism

Welcome

Baptismal Hymn — “You Have Put on Christ”



*Prayers of Intercession

After each petition:

L Lord, in your mercy, **G** hear our prayer.

*Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always. **G** And also with you.

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

Offering of Our Gifts

Music at the Offering:

(8:30) “Will You Come and Follow Me” (The Summons)

arr. Tom Trenney

For anthem text, see Hymn 798.

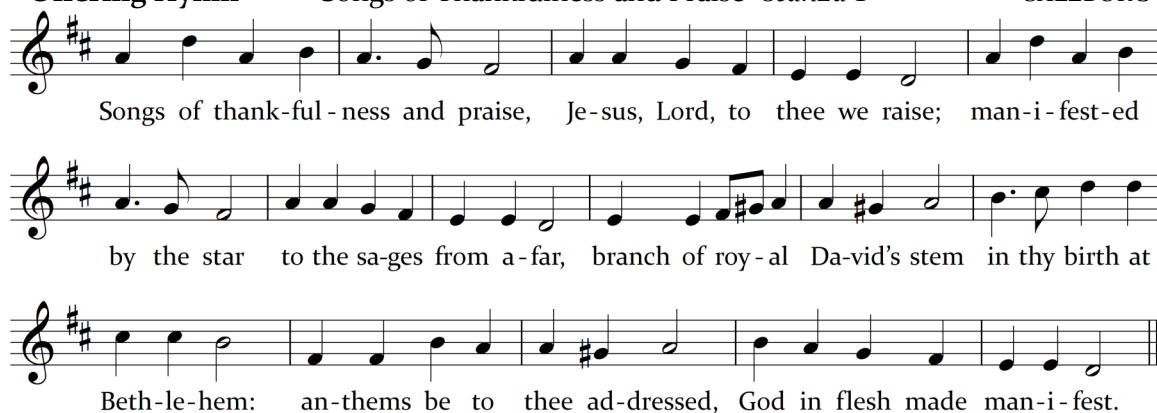
St. John's Chorale

(10:45) “Will You Come and Follow Me”

arr. Wayne Wold

*Offering Hymn — “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” stanza 1

SALZBURG



*Offering Prayer

L Let us pray together.

A 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.

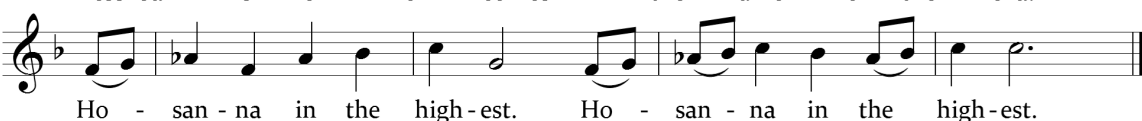
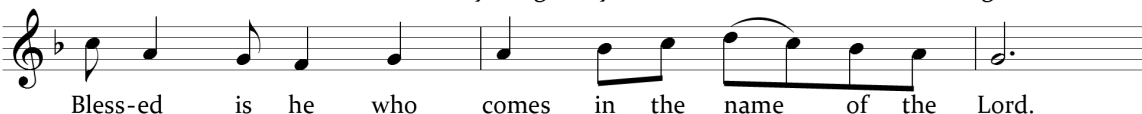
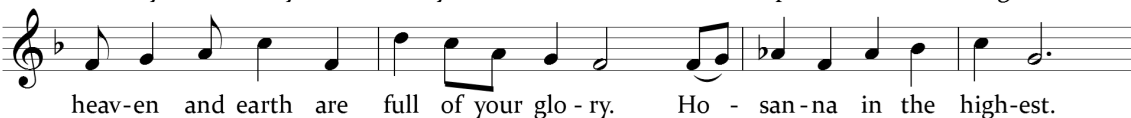
And then, through these gifts, help us to bless the lives of others
in the strength of your holy name. Amen.

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Great Thanksgiving



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



*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.**

Communion will be received standing at stations in the front of sanctuary; ushers will direct you forward.

***Gluten-free wafers** are available in the center. 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.

On the last Sunday of the month during communion, we offer the practice of anointing with oil on your brow and receive a blessing. If you want, you may ask for a specific prayer blessing from the anointer.

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.

Hymn — No. 767

"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

Hymn — No. 575

"In Christ Called to Baptize"

*Post-Communion Blessing

***Prayer after Communion**

ℒ Let us pray.

🔊 **O Morning Star, fair and bright,
you have refreshed us 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**

Response:

🔊 **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn** — No. 786

“O Holy Spirit, Enter In”

Stanza 1

***Dismissal**

ℒ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

🔊 **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude — “Fugue” from *Das Holsteinische Orgelbüchlein* Hans Friedrich Micheelsen



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SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Preaching	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Assisting Ministers	Emmett Norrie, Wyatt Norrie
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Choirs	(8:30) St. John's Chorale (10:45) Jubilate Choir, Carol Benson, director
Piano	(8:30) Emily Albrecht (10:45) Marcia Yernberg
Cantor	(10:45) Jenna Leonard, Youth Choir Intern
Acolytes	(8:30) Will Becker, TBD (10:45) Ava Little, Kailee Jo Little
Healing Prayers	(8:30) Jennifer Edwins, Jane Rinehart (10:45) Kristin Partlo, Mark Rydberg
Communion Preparer	Kristin Partlo
Communion Servers	Norrie Family
Communion Cleanup	Amy McBroom
Greeters / Welcome Desk	(8:30) Julie Becker, Mia Becker, Gordon Jorgenson (10:45) Lowell and Barbara Johnson, Judy Karlson
Coffee and Refreshments	Jon Kerr, Stewardship Board Members
Nursery	Erica Anderson
Counters	Brenda Bultman, Bob Tabery, Elden and Solveig Zempel
Ushers	(8:30) Dallas Berg, Barry Becker, Erik Hong, Rob Nutt, Mark Polzin, Bruce Rickert (10:45) David Rudser, Pam Groves-Gaggioli, Connie Menssen, Todd Menssen, Robert Nyvall, Susan Rudser, Mark Rydberg, Terry Rydberg

Learning and Fellowship Between Services

This Week (January 26):

Coffee and Fellowship, Commons

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

Sunday Morning Youth Group: Grades 6-12 (9:45-10:30 a.m., Youth Room)

St. John's Forum: Annual Meeting Budget Preview (9:45-10:30 a.m., Sanctuary)

Read, Talk, Pray: Sunday Psalm Conversation (9:45-10:30 a.m., St. John's Library)

Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given by a community member in gratitude for the excellent preaching at St. John's. 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: February 23 and March 1 & 29. Video broadcasts can be seen on Northfield Community Television (NTV) - cable channel 187, Mondays at 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays at 12:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m., and Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

Congregation Celebration

Today Between Services

St. John's is a busy vibrant church. What makes it so? YOU DO! The Stewardship Board invites YOU to join us for cake and coffee between services today to celebrate YOU. Your prayers, presence, pledges, your sharing of time, talent, leadership, labor, and love are gifts that allow St. John's to serve the congregation and the community. Each of you, giving however you are able, are a gift as unique as your thumbprint. Celebrate a memorable 2019 as we prepare to shape 2020 at the Annual Meeting. YOU are St. John's!

St. John's Forum

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

Topic: *Annual Meeting Budget Preview*

St. John's Forum will be a preview of the St. John's 2020 Annual Budget prior to the Annual Meeting and Congregational Potluck at 12:00 p.m.

Read, Talk, Pray: Sunday Psalm Conversation

Today, 9:45-10:30 a.m., St. John's Library

On four consecutive Sundays, from the end of January into February, there will be an opportunity for meeting in a small group in the library between worship services from 9:45-10:30 a.m. The purpose is to concentrate on the psalm for the day, looking at it personally from different aspects. Consider picking up a cookie and a cup of coffee and being part of this group.

Annual Meeting and Potluck

Today, 12:00 p.m., St. John's Hall

Following a potluck lunch, we will meet to hear reports, elect council and board members for 2020, and approve the 2020 budget. The St. John's Foundation meeting will take place just before the congregational meeting.

The Youth and Children's "Fun"-Raiser is on Sunday, February 9

- Enjoy a breakfast of pancakes, fruit, juice, and coffee - the cost is \$5/person or \$20/family.
- Dessert Silent Auction of delicious goodies to enjoy just in time for Valentines Day.
- Dollars raised help families with the cost of sending youth on the summer mission trips.

Announcements (continued)

Bake Sale Items Needed for Youth “Fun”-Raiser

Do you love to bake or have a recipe that everyone loves? Please sign up to donate a baked good for the Youth “Fun”-Raiser. Baked items will be sold to raise additional dollars to help families with the cost of sending youth on the summer mission trips. Desserts should be brought to church on Saturday, February 8, between 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. or on Sunday, February 9, by 8:15 a.m. Please sign up so we can plan accordingly. A paper signup is located in the Commons or you can email/call Amy McBroom at amybmcbroom@hotmail.com or 651-214-4459.

Children’s Ministry Appreciation Brunch

Sunday, February 2, 9:45 a.m., Fireside Room

Children’s ministry volunteers are invited to brunch next Sunday in appreciation for all that you do to make children’s ministry successful! *Please contact Julie Brehmer if you can help with the brunch by serving, bringing an egg bake, or bake treats (muffins, rolls, breads...). Thanks in advance!*

ELCA Global Mission

ELCA Global Mission walks with more than 80 companion churches in other countries to participate in God’s reconciling mission. Participating in these relationships, ELCA members see how people’s lives are touched by the gospel, how their lives are transformed and renewed, and how their communities live in hope. During January, we ask you to consider a special gift to ELCA Global Mission to support this important work. You may donate [online](#) or by check, noting Global Mission on the memo line. Thank you!

St. John’s Website

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

Children and Youth Ministries

Let’s go Bowling (Grades 2-5)

Tomorrow, 12:30-2:00 p.m., Jesse James Lanes

The cost is \$12 per child (scholarships available). Sign up in the lower or upper Commons. Parent or High School Chaperones are appreciated!

Sunday Morning Youth Group (Grades 6-12)

On Sunday mornings, during the school year, all youth (grades 6-12) are invited to meet in the Youth Room at 9:45 a.m. for treats, highs and lows, and interactive faith discussion! Other young adults and church members are encouraged to attend for intra and inter-generational connections. These gatherings will be led by Emmanuel Kaghondi and other adults. This month’s topics will focus on “Life’s Burning Questions about Spirituality.”

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 celebrating the baptism of

Jackson Anthony Hirdler, son of David and Tony Hirdler

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Vern Faillettaz

Family of Allan Nelson

Those with ongoing health concerns

Marybeth Bremer, Mary Ingbritsen, Becky Ness, Susan Nissen, Joanne Sommers,
Tom Sorenson, Jim Thompson, Julie Westerback, Laila Burns Hedstrom

All who are homebound, including

Tom Fjelde, Lois Pearson, Gloria Porter

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;

Mark Rich and Cynthia Holder Rich, ELCA missionaries in Tanzania

Prayer Requests / Stephen Ministry Requests

Stephen Ministry Requests

Call 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.

Wednesday Night



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

Menu for Wednesday, January 29:
Chicken Pot Pie Casserole

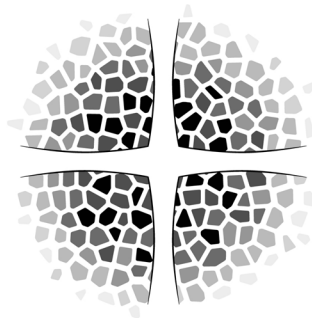
All are welcome!

*Wednesday Meals are made and served completely by people donating their time and talents.
Dessert contributions are always welcome and needed!*

This Week At-a-Glance

*The calendar below contains only St. John's events.
The full calendar of events and building usage can be accessed
on our website at www.StJohnsNorthfield.org.*

Mon., Jan. 27	10:45 a.m.	1000 Cannon Valley Drive Communion, Offsite
	11:30 a.m.	Dinner followed by Communion at NRC, Offsite
	12:00 p.m.	Manna and Mercy Text Study, Fireside Room
	12:30 p.m.	Bowling Event (Grades 2-5), Jesse James Lanes
Tue., Jan. 28	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. 29	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
	6:30 p.m.	J-Term for Middle School Confirmation, Multiple Sites
		High School Youth Group (Grades 9-12), Youth Room
	7:00 p.m.	St. John's Chorale, Room 209
Thursday, Jan. 30	6:00 p.m.	Rejoice Ringers, Balcony
Friday, Jan. 31	8:45 a.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall
	1:00 p.m.	Visitation - Vern Faillettaz, Commons
	2:00 p.m.	Funeral - Vern Faillettaz, Sanctuary
Saturday, Feb. 1	9:00 a.m.	Council Retreat, Offsite
Sunday, Feb. 2	8:30 a.m.	Worship / Nursery
		<i>(For Schedule Between Services, please see page 11)</i>
	10:45 a.m.	Worship / Nursery



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Leah H. Garlie, *Office Manager*

Angie Gehring, *Shared Ministry Coordinator*

Christy Hall-Holt, *Welcome Ministry Coordinator*

Emmanuel Kaghondi, *Director of Ministry with Youth & Families*

Sally Lindell, *Parish Nurse*

Arielle Loy, *Director of Alleluia Choir*

Zachery Pelletier, *Director of Rejoice Ringers*

Jaida Gehring / Marvin Perez, *Security and Custodial Assistants*

Nathan Proctor, *Organist and Director of Worship, Music & Arts*

Bernie Renander, *Financial Manager*

Call the church office or check the website for a complete listing of staff emails.