

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 13, 2018 † 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, □ Leader (Assisting Minister), □ 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.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude — Three settings of "With High Delight Let Us Unite" MIT FREUDEN ZART John Ferguson, Mark Sedio, and Clay Christiansen

Welcome and Announcements

Installation of WELCA Officers

*Gathering Hymn — No. 368

"With High Delight Let Us Unite"

*Thanksgiving for Baptism

- **P** For these waters of life,
- **@** We give you thanks, O God.

*Greeting

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

*Canticle of Praise — "This is the Feast" Front of hymnal, page 149

*Prayer of the Day

- P Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — 1 John 5:9-13

Pew Bible, page 991

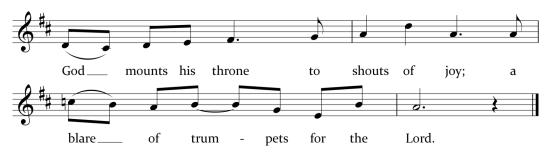
After the reading:

- **L** The word of the Lord.
- **9** Thanks be to God.

Psalmody — Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

Setting by Luke Mayernik

Refrain



All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy! For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, the great king over all the earth. **Refrain** — **all**

God goes up with shouts of joy. The LORD goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God; sing praise! Sing praise to our king; sing praise! **Refrain** — **all**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God reigns over the nations. God sits upon his holy throne. **Refrain** — **all**

*Gospel Acclamation





*Gospel — Luke 24:44-53 and Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Spark Story Bible, page 498; Pew Bible, page 861

Before the reading:

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 24th chapter.
- Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

- **P** The Gospel of the Lord.
- **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Pam Fickenscher

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 393

"A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!"

*The Nicene Creed — Front of hymnal, page 104

*Prayers of Intercession

After each petition:

- **L** Lord, in your mercy,
- **©** hear our prayer.

*Peace

- **P** 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:

(8:30) "O Christ, Surround Me"

GREEN TYLER, arr. David Sims

Conducted by Kayleigh Shaffer, Church Music Intern

God be the love to search and keep me; God be the prayer to move my voice; God be the strength to now uphold me. O Christ, surround me.

Bind to myself the name of Holy, great cloud of witnesses enfold; prophets, apostles, angels witness. O Christ, surround me.

Brightness of sun and glow of moonlight, flashing of lightning, strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of planet. O Christ, surround me.

Walking behind to hem my journey, going ahead to light my way, from beneath, above, and all ways, O Christ, surround me.

Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me: O Christ surround me.

St. John's Chorale

(10:45) "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"

Wayne Wold

*Offering Hymn

OLD HUNDREDTH

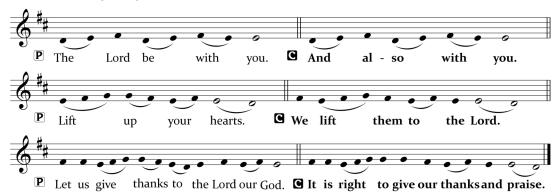
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here, below; praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offering Prayer

- **L** Let us pray together.
- Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offerings of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Great Thanksgiving



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



*Eucharistic Prayer

*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.

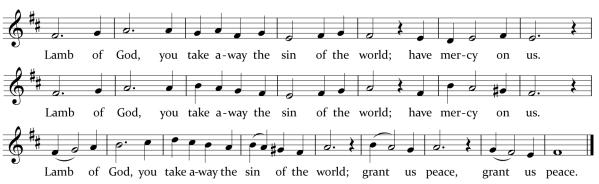
After you have been served the bread, you will be offered **wine or grape juice**.

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"



(8:30) **Anthem** — "God Be In My Head" John Rutter Conducted by David Gindra, Church Music Intern

Hymn — No. 466

"In the Singing"

Hymn — No. 826

"Thine the Amen"

*Post-Communion Blessing

*Prayer after Communion

- **L** Let us pray.
- In the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light in the darkness, water to give new life, and bread to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to the resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

*(8:30) **Choral Benediction** — "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" Peter Lutkin

BlessingResponse:

*Sending Hymn — No. 867

"In Thee Is Gladness"

*Dismissal

C Amen.

- L Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!
- **L** Go in peace. Proclaim the resurrection.
- **☑** Thanks be to God!

Postlude — "Christ lag in Todesbanden" BWV 625 J. S. Bach (8:30) Andy Jacob, Church Music Intern



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding Pastor Jonathan Davis
Preaching Pastor Pam Fickenscher

Assisting Ministers | Joran Peterson

Organists Nathan Proctor, Andy Jacob Choir (8:30) St. John's Chorale

Psalm Cantor (10:45) Kristin Partlo

Acolytes (8:30) Aiden Long, Elsa Nystrom

(10:45) Gus Welbaum, Louise Welbaum

Communion Preparer Lois Bakko

Communion Servers TBD Communion Clean Up TBD

Greeters / Welcome Desk (8:30) Duane and Marie Benson, John Ophaug

(10:45) Marilyn Jacobson, John Ophaug

Coffee and Refreshments Carol Cowles, Marilyn Jacobson, Patsy Ophaug,

Jennifer Paulson, Gordon and Dodie Mickelsen

Nursery Sara Small

Counters Sue Brockman, Gordon Jorgenson, Brent Mueller, Ted Peterson Ushers (8:30) Dan Franklin, Jim Enestvedt, Bob Johnson, Jon McBroom,

Cindy McBroom, Brent Mueller, Don Sahling, Dick Werdahl (10:45) Jonathan Norrie, Alex Dell, Terry Dell, Trevor Dell,

David Halsor, Dick Kleber, Steve Williams

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Lectionary Readings for Next Week (May 20):

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21 + Psalm 104:24-34, 35b + Romans 8:22-27 + John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

3rd Grader's Communion Celebration

On Wednesday, May 2, our 3rd graders gathered in retreat with their parents to learn about Holy Communion.

Children with an asterisk in front of their name will be taking first communion this morning.

*Anna Bash, Joshua Faust, Hunter Heath-Williams, Genevieve Knutson, Dyson McBroom, *Will McLaughlin, Isabelle Paulson, Selius Price, *John Tracy, *Noah Tracy, Braden Van Sickle

Our communion bread was baked by the 3rd graders during their retreat.

Installation of WELCA Executive Board Members

This morning the following women will be installed into the St. John's Women's Executive Board for the 2018-2019 season:

Maribeth Beck, Frances Boehning, Evelyn Bronson, Merilyn Calcutt, Judy Cederberg, Jo Franklin, Anita Hellie, Mary Holleque, Jane Rinehart, Jeannette Rondestvedt, Sue Sharrow, Julie Thorsheim, Julie Zdenek

Thank You St. John's Chorale and Music Interns

Those singing during the 2017-18 season:

Sopranos Elizabeth Bade Eleanor Coolidge Jennifer Edwins Jo Franklin Anita Hellie Mary Holleque Carol James Nancy Ordahl Kmoch Ruth Legvold Bev Mahachek Liz Rowley Kristi Wermager	Altos Ruth Smestad Anglin Karen Appeldoorn Jennifer Bothun Christy Hall-Holt Mary Hoff Andrea Hoff Carol Hollen Barb Kuhlman Sharol Nau Patsy Ophaug Jo Ann Polley Dawn Tommerdahl Emily Westerback Julie Zdenek	Tenors Terry Gilbertson Chuck Hellie Erik Holleque Will Schroeer Church Music Interns Kayleigh Shaffer, soprano Kellie Asher, alto Andy Jacob, tenor Sam Long, tenor David Gindra, bass	Basses Jerry Appeldoorn John Bade Paul Beck Jim Cederberg Fletcher Coolidge Ron James Brad Kmoch David Legvold Richard Nau Don Niehaus Rob Quanbeck Mark Ulmer
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Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given by Shirley Falck in honor of grandson Bennett Falck's graduation from Allegheny College in Meadville, PA. Bennett was baptized and confirmed here, one among many others nurtured by this congregation. 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: May 27 and June 3 & 10. Video broadcasts can be seen on Northfield Community Television – cable channel 187, Mondays at 7:30 p.m. and Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

Intergenerational Event: LWR Personal Care Kits

Today, 9:45 a.m., St. John's Hall

Come to St. John's Hall between services to help pack personal care kits. Personal Care Kits, through Lutheran World Relief, are shared with people who have lost everything from a natural disaster or life-threatening violence. Give hope through a bar of soap! **PLUS** enjoy movie theater popcorn and make a gift for mom!

Special Offering in May for Lutheran World Relief

Lutheran World Relief (LWR) helps families in the world's poorest communities. In 2017, your support of LWR reached 3,163,673 people in 32 countries through 131 projects. LWR works to improve livelihoods and to assist in emergencies. All this is because of the generous support of people like you. Use the LWR envelope in your offering packet or make an online donation with your electronic giving to St. John's.

Creative Arts Group: "Campfire Sing-Along" Wednesday, May 16, 6:00-6:45 p.m., St. John's Library

The next creative arts group with Laura Baker Services is a Campfire Sing-Along. Come ready to meet new friends, sing songs, and engage in music. Feel free to bring your favorite song! The group will be led by Jenny Solar, LBSA's music therapist.

A "Thank You" Celebration for Everyone!

Sunday, May 20, 9:45 a.m.

When: Next week between services in the Commons and outside if weather permits.

Time: 9:45 a.m. with short time for remarks at 10:00 a.m.

What: Join all for cake, treats, coffee and lemonade, and balloons! You make St. John's what it is - let's celebrate and thank everyone for the myriad gifts of time and service, prayers and encouragement, and every involvement that make this a vibrant and loving community.

Announcements (continued)

St. John's Faith & Health Board is sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive at St. John's Wednesday, June 6, 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

It is important that we have volunteers to donate so blood is available for emergency situations. Signups will be held Sundays, May 20 and May 27, between services in the Commons or contact Jennifer Edwins at 507-645-9653 or <u>iedwins@gmail.com</u>.

Saturday Morning Discussion Group

Featuring Ideas from Switch: How to Change Things When Change is Hard

May 12 - June 16 at the Hideaway downtown Northfield

Start your Saturday mornings with a cup of Hideaway (fill in your favorite beverage) and humorous discussion! No reading required. Gather between 8:30-9:00 a.m. Informal topic discussion begins at 9:00 a.m. Come anytime. Questions? Contact Christy Hall-Holt at 507-645-4429 or connect@stjohnsnorthfield.org or 507-645-4429.

St. John's Website

Please check out our website at www.StJohnsNorthfield.org. Our website contains additional information regarding events and programs, along with a link to our online church directory, Church Community Builder (CCB), in the top right hand corner. You can also access the church calendar.

Be sure to follow us on **Facebook** and **Twitter** (@StJohnsNF). If you have pictures we could add to our Facebook site of the happenings of our church, please email them to: office@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

Reminder of Deadlines:

Bulletin Announcements: Wednesday by 2:00 p.m.

News Blast for the Week Ahead Announcements: Friday by 2:00 p.m.

Newsletter, the Voice: May 15th for the June Edition

Please send submissions electronically to <u>office@StJohnsNorthfield.org</u>
Thank you.

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
Dick Dahlin, Lauren Davis, Bob Tabery

Those with ongoing health concerns

Marybeth Bremer, Mary Gasho, Fred Gonnerman, Elvin Heiberg, Fred Huemoeller, Mary Ingbritsen, Sally Lindell, Joe Nesheim, Becky Ness, Susan Nissen, Margaret O'Leary, Bette Quinnell, Joanne Sommers, Jim Thompson, Laila Burns Hedstrom

All who are homebound, including

Sylvia Solberg, Berta Diem, 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;

lambi Lutheran Church in lambi, 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.



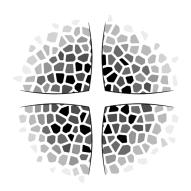
Served from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. in St. John's Hall

Menu for Wednesday, May 16: Tater Tot Hotdish

All are welcome!

This Week At-a-Glance

Monday, May 14	8:300 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Quilting, Fellowship Hall Manna and Mercy Mondays, Fireside Room Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, May 15	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Bone Builders, Fellowship Hall Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Weekly Lectionary Text Study, Fireside Room Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room Sons of Norway Executive Committee, Undercroft Stephen Ministers, Fireside Room
Wed., May 16	12:00 p.m. 3:45 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m.	Nfld Public Schools Instructional Coaches, Fireside Room Wednesday After School Programming Goes to the YMCA Wednesday Night Meal, St. John's Hall Laudate Choir (Grades 6-12), Room 205 Creative Arts Group, Library Confirmation (Grades 6-8), Fellowship Hall Confirmation (Grade 9) High School Youth Group, Youth Room
Thursday, May 17	7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Executive Committee, Fireside Room Quilting, Fellowship Hall Rejoice Ringers Rehearsal, Balcony Bold Café - Hideaway Thursdays, The Hideaway
Friday, May 18	8:45 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Bone Builders, Fellowship Hall High School Youth Group Event, NAG Theater
Saturday, May 19	8:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	Saturday Morning Discussion Group, The Hideaway Suzuki Kids, Room 205
Sunday, May 20	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship / Nursery Coffee and Fellowship, Commons Faith & Health Board: Blood Drive Signups, Commons Worship / Nursery





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