



# SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

DAY OF PENTECOST

MAY 20, 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, **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.*

# GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

**Prelude** — “A Tango for Organ on ‘Come Down, O Love Divine’”

Mark Sedio

*The Spirit Blows Where It Wills*

**First Reading** — Acts 2:1-21

Pew Bible, page 885  
Spark Story Bible, page 502

*After the reading:*

☒ The word of the Lord.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

**\*Processional Hymn** — No. 407

“O Living Breath of God”

*Please stand and sing at the end of the introduction.*

**\*Greeting**

☒ 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.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

☒ Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through 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

Psalmody — Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Setting by Marty Haugen

Refrain: (first time: cantors, then **all singing**)

Send forth your spir - it, O God, send forth your spir - it, O God,  
and re - new the earth, re - new the earth, send forth your spir - it, O God.

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*Cantors : O God, how countless are your works! By your wisdom you fashioned them all. All the earth is filled with your creatures, oceans teem with the life you made. All that lives looks to you in hope to give them their food in due season: you open your hand, they feast on good things, you hide your face and they are lost.*

**Refrain — all**

*When you take their breath they perish and return to the dust from which they came; when you send forth your spirit, they are brought to life; you renew the face of the earth. May the glory of God endure forever and may God rejoice in all these works: God, who looks on the earth and it trembles; at the touch of God, the mountains smoke.*

**Refrain — all**

*I will sing to my God while I live; may the prayer of my heart please my Lord. Bless the Lord, O my soul, praise the Holy One! Forevermore give praise to God.*

**Refrain — all**

Second Reading — Romans 8:22-27

Pew Bible, page 919

After the reading:

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

Children's Message

**\*Gospel Processional** — “Veni Sancte Spiritus”

Taizé Community

*Sung in harmony in English or Latin.*

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Veni Sancte Spiritus". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with the first line of the treble staff corresponding to the first line of lyrics and the second line of the treble staff corresponding to the second line of lyrics. The bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

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**\*Gospel** — John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Pew Bible, page 878

*Before the reading:*

- The Holy Gospel according to John, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.
- Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the reading:*

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

**\*Gospel Processional** — “Veni Sancte Spiritus”

Taizé Community

*Repeated from above.*

**Sermon**

Pastor Jonathan Davis

## RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

**Hymn of the Day** — No. 400

“God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind”

**\*The Nicene Creed** — *Front of hymnal, page 104*

## \*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.*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Offering of Our Gifts

*Music at the Offering:*

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

NETTLETON, arr. Sandra Eithun

*Rejoice Ringers*

### \*Offering Hymn — “As the Grains of Wheat”

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were gath-ered in-to one to be-  
come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from all the ends of earth be  
gath-ered in - to one in you. Let this be a fore-taste of  
all that is to come when all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

To refrain

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain'. The second and third staves contain the main body of the hymn. The fourth staff concludes with a double bar line and the instruction 'To refrain'.

## \*Offering Prayer

**L** Let us pray.

**All** Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

## \*Great Thanksgiving

**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 our thanks and praise.

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and might;  
Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est! Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

## \*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"

1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have  
2. Lamb of God, you are the bread of life for us all: have  
mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us. 3. Lamb of God, you  
mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.  
take a-way the sin of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

**Anthem** — "Celtic Dance on 'Pleading Savior'" arr. Sondra Tucker

**Hymn** — No. 403 "Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song"

**Hymn** — No. 804 "Come Down, O Love Divine"

## \*Post-Communion Blessing



**\*Prayer after Communion**

℣ Let us pray.

℟ **Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. Amen.**

## **DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD**

**Blessing and Sending for Rebekah Thomas**

**\*Blessing**

*Response:*

℣ **Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn — “O Day Full of Grace”**

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**God came to us then at Pentecost,  
the Spirit new life revealing,  
that we might no more in death be lost,  
its pow'r over us dispelling.  
This flame will the mark of sin efface  
and bring to us all true healing.**

**\*Dismissal**

℣ Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

℟ **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude — “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**

ELLACOMBE, arr. Mary Kay Parrish



## **SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:**

Presiding	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Preaching	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Assisting Ministers	Mari and Thea Hanson
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Choir	Rejoice Ringers, Zachery Pelletier, director
Psalm Cantors	Carrie Melby, Nancy Ordahl-Kmoch, Julie Zdenek
Flute	Jenny Pelletier
Percussion	Jeanette Pelletier, Jenny Pelletier, Amy Jivavitoonkit
Acolytes	(8:30) Oden Hoff, Peder Lindell (10:45) Lindsey Canedy, Sylvi Hanson
Communion Preparer	Lynette Marks
Communion Servers	Mari and Thea Hanson
Communion Clean Up	Lynette Marks
Greeters / Welcome Desk	(8:30) Gene Bakko, Robert and Sandra Nyvall (10:45) Lois Bakko, Scott, Jennifer, Isabelle and Beau Paulson
Coffee and Refreshments	Lynette Marks, Guenther and Allene Moesler, Liz Rowley, Kristoffer and Melissa Thorsheim, Kristin Vatter
Nursery	Julie Brehmer
Counters	Brenda Bultman, Chris and Martha Erickson, Jerry Kipp
Ushers	(8:30) Mark Anderson, Jim Bierman, Jerry Bothun, Dave Hagen, Sue Hagen, Nicholas Gonnerman, Patsy Ophaug, John Ophaug (10:45) Margaret Hayford O'Leary, Bonnie Jean Flom, Susan Immel, Greg Norman, Doug O'Leary, Wally Wegner

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## **Thank You Rejoice Ringers!**

Those ringing during the 2017-18 season:

Tracy Kochendorfer	Julie Zdenek
Katie Helgen	Marcia Yernberg
Susan Rudser	Jane Rinehart
Karen Christ	Joan Koester
Carrie Melby	Patsy Ophaug
Nancy Ordahl-Kmoch	Derek Melby
Carol Hollen	Kayla McGrady

Zachery Pelletier, director



### **First 150th Anniversary Capital Projects (nearly) Complete!**

St. John's beautiful generosity in our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Grace Overflowing campaign has allowed us to begin work on some of the capital projects needed in our facility.

#### **Good Shepherd Window Restored**

The Good Shepherd window, one of the historic treasures of our 1913 Sanctuary, was partially removed and restored in the first weeks of May. Glass was repaired and a new sill created and installed. The window will also be getting some new lighting that will allow it to be illuminated in the evenings and seen from the outside. Check it out behind the organ!

#### **New Air Handler and HVAC Controls Installed**

A replacement for our 60 year-old air handler was ordered earlier in the spring and is now installed on the east side of the building. The new system will be more efficient and will have remote controls, enabling us to better keep the temperature stable in the Sanctuary. In addition to keeping us comfortable, good controls of our air conditioning system are essential to care of our valuable organ and grand pianos in the Sanctuary.

# **Announcements**

**Today's Radio Broadcast** is given by Duane and Marie Benson. 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: June 3 & 10 and July 8, 22 & 29. 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.

## **Blessing and Sending of Rebekah Thomas**

During both services, we will recognize Rebekah Thomas, a member of our Youth Ministry support staff this past year, as this will be her last Sunday with us at St. John's. We are blessed to have had her assistance with Wednesday and Sunday youth programming! She is graduating from St. Olaf, and will lead the middle school mission trip to Milwaukee in June. We pray for her as she continues her studies and begins her new job as a church youth director in Montana in the fall.

## **A "Thank You" Celebration for Everyone!**

**When:** Today 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.

## **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.**

Sign up today in the Commons between services to donate blood to the American Red Cross on Wednesday, June 6 between 8:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The Faith & Health Board urges eligible donors to join us in the selfless act of giving blood. The short amount of time it takes to donate can mean a lifetime to a patient with a serious medical condition.

## **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.

# **Announcements (continued)**

## **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](mailto:connect@stjohnsnorthfield.org) or 507-645-4429.

## **Summer Sundays are Coming!**

In the summer, we do not have hospitality groups to serve on Sunday mornings. This means we need extra help from everyone during the summer months to fill the roles of greeting, coffee service (making coffee, serving donut holes, and cleaning up), and also preparing for and cleaning up from communion by intinction (quick and easy setup and cleanup). Could you help? Please sign up today in the Commons, online thru CCB, or contact Mary Kelve at 507-645-4429 or [sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org](mailto:sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org).

## **St. John's Website**

Please check out our website at [www.StJohnsNorthfield.org](http://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.

## **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: June 15<sup>th</sup> for the July Edition

Please send submissions electronically to [office@StJohnsNorthfield.org](mailto:office@StJohnsNorthfield.org)

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, Sigrid Gronning, Bob Tabery, Karin Graddy

*Those celebrating the first communion of*

Dyson McBroom, son of Saul and Amy McBroom

Isabelle Paulson, daughter of Scott and Jennifer Paulson

*Those mourning the loss of a loved one*

*Family of Joe Nesheim*

*Those with ongoing health concerns*

Marybeth Bremer, Mary Gasho, Fred Gonnerman, Elvin Heiberg, Fred Huemoeller,

Mary Ingbritsen, Sally Lindell, Becky Ness, Susan Nissen, Margaret O'Leary,

Bette Quinnell, Joanne Sommers, Jim Thompson, Laila Burns Hedstrom

*All who are homebound, including*

Lyla Arneson Paulson, Rodney and Janice Helgeson

*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](mailto:macisar@gmail.com), or contact a pastor.

## **Lectionary Readings for Next Week (May 27):**

*The Holy Trinity*

Isaiah 6:1-8 † Psalm 29 † Romans 8:12-17 † John 3:1-17

# This Week At-a-Glance

<b>Monday, May 21</b>	11:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Dinner followed by Communion at NRC, Offsite Manna and Mercy Mondays, Fireside Room Pub Theology, Froggy Bottoms Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall
<b>Tuesday, May 22</b>	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.  12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Bone Builders, Fellowship Hall Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Knitters (World Vision for Kids), Offsite Weekly Lectionary Text Study, Fireside Room Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room Church Council, Undercroft
<b>Wed., May 23</b>	12:00 p.m.	Nfld Public Schools Instructional Coaches, Fireside Room
<b>Thursday, May 24</b>	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Knitters, Room 19
<b>Friday, May 25</b>	8:45 a.m.	Bone Builders, Fellowship Hall
<b>Saturday, May 26</b>	8:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	Saturday Morning Discussion Group, The Hideaway Suzuki Kids, Room 205
<b>Sunday, May 27</b>	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.  10:00 a.m.	Worship Coffee and Fellowship, Commons Faith & Health Board: Blood Drive Signups, Commons Worship / Nursery

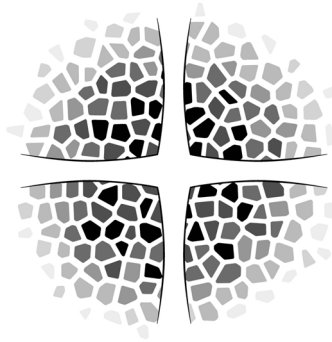


**Worship hours will change  
next Sunday, May 27.**

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship

10:00 a.m. Worship



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