



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 7, 2026 † 9:30 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 hymnal (Evangelical Lutheran Worship), or purple hymnal
(All Creation Sings), hymn numbers are at the top of the page in the hymn section,
and page numbers are at the bottom of the page in the front 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.

For those with hearing aids, the Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing loop.

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 — on FAITHFULNESS

Dan Miller

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn — ELW No. 733

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

*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

- ☐ O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing into this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- ☑ **Amen.**

Children's Message

“Wonders of Worship”



I won-der. I won-der. The won-ders of wor-ship, what does it mean? I won-der. I
won-der. The won-ders of wor-ship, what does it mean? Come and see! Come now and see!

Text and Music: Anne Krentz Organ

HEARING GOD'S WORD

First Reading — Hosea 5:15—6:6

¹I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: ^{6:1}“Come, let us return to the LORD, for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.”

⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

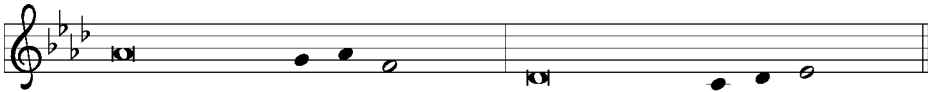
📖 The word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

Psalmody — Psalm 50:7-15

Antiphon: Mark Shepperd

Antiphon: Call upon me in the day of trouble, says your God.



⁷“Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.

⁸**I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.**

⁹I will not accept a calf from your stalls, nor goats from your pens;

¹⁰**for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.** *Antiphon*

¹¹I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.

¹²**If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world and all that is in it is mine.**

¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.

¹⁵**Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.** *Antiphon*

After the reading:

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

***Gospel Acclamation**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***Gospel — Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26**

- The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 9th chapter.
- Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him. ¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹²But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.” ¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment. ²³When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread through all of that district.

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

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — ACS No. 1038

“God, We Gather as Your People”

*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:

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

*Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

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

Offering of Our Gifts

Music at the Offering

"God, We Gather as Your People"

Anthony Giamanco

*Offering Hymn — "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major (one sharp). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some dotted notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be-low;

praise God a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

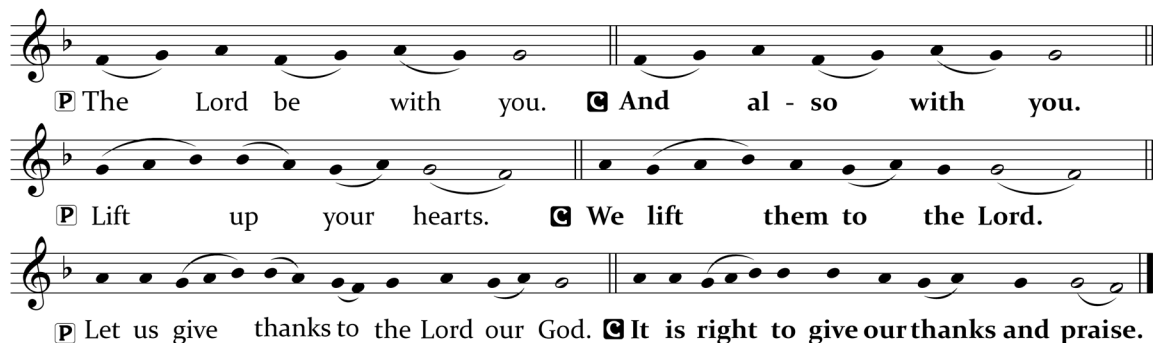
*Offering Prayer

L Let us pray.

C **Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.**

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Great Thanksgiving

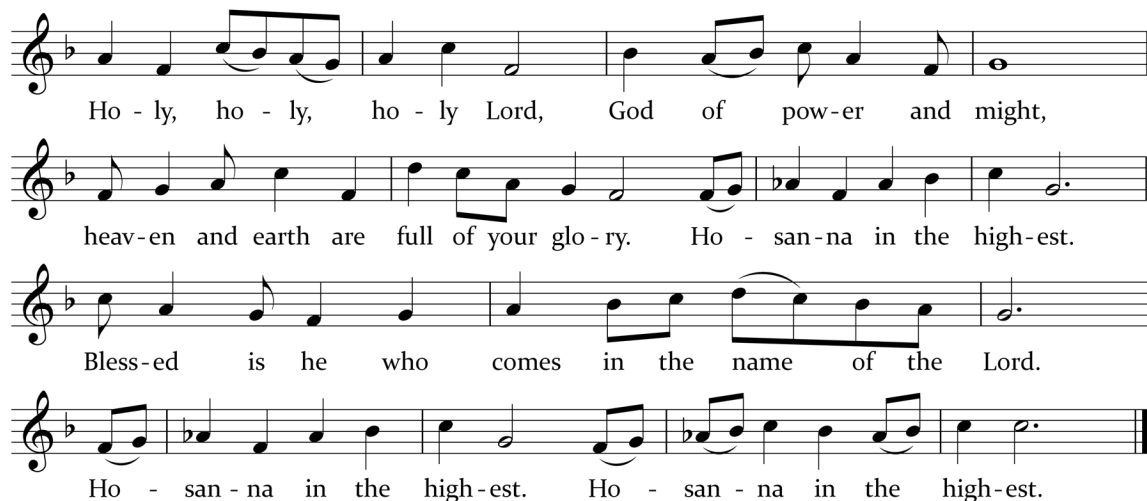


P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

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, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en 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. 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.**

*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.***

Music during Communion

"Lamb of God"



The image shows three staves of musical notation for the hymn "Lamb of God". Each staff is in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first two staves have lyrics underneath them: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us." The third staff has lyrics: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace." The music consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests and a final double bar line on the third staff.

Hymn — ELW No. 588

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

Hymn — ELW No. 689

"Praise and Thanksgiving"

*Post-Communion Blessing

*Sending of Communion to the Sick and Homebound

***Prayer after Communion**

- ☞ Holy One,
through this meal you have made your home among us and are making
all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our
enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,
☞ Amen.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

***Blessing**

Response:

- ☞ Amen.

***Sending Hymn** — ELW No. 836

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

***Dismissal**

- ☞ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
☞ Thanks be to God!

Postlude — on HYMN TO JOY

Albert Travis



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Preaching	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Presiding	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Assisting Minister	Matthew Olson
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Cantor	David Sims
Livestream	Jon Kavanaugh
Communion Service	David and Debby Nitz
Greeters	Pam Groves-Gaggioli, Mary Ellen North
Coffee Service	Angie Gehring, Diane Melby
Refreshments	Pam Groves-Gaggioli, Jane Rinehart
Counters	Sue Brockman, Brenda Bultman, Jane Rizzo
Ushers	Dan Franklin, Doug Johnson, Don Sahling, Dean Schoeb

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St. John's
SUNDAY FUN DAY

Sunday
July 19

3 pm until 5 pm

burgers,
hot dogs &
vegetarian

Join us at Oddfellows Park
1016 Forest Avenue
for the event!

All ages are welcome.
Bring friends!
Food & drinks provided.

Games include water games,
cornhole, frisbee...

Hosted by the Adult Ministry
and Education Board

The poster features a grid of colorful icons: a soccer ball, a hot dog, a guitar, a sun, a frisbee, a cornhole board, a guitar, a hot dog, a burger, and a popcorn bucket. The text is in various colors and fonts, including red, green, and black.

Announcements

Additional announcements can be found in the weekly E-Voice.

Today's Radio Broadcast is given by friends of St. John's. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast (cost is \$160), contact the church office. Next available dates: July 12 & 26 and August 9 & 30.

St. John's Forum: ISAIAH MN Moving Forward and the OBBBA

Today, 10:30 a.m. (after worship), St. John's Hall

Many St. John's members attended and were inspired by the ISAIAH Palm Sunday worship event at the Capitol. At the forum, the St. John's leadership group will give an update on ISAIAH and how Northfield congregations are working together and with other organizations to further address issues of economic justice, food insecurity, healthcare, housing needs, and climate in our community, state, and country. We will also present information about key impacts the OBBBA (One Big Beautiful Bill Act) will have on these issues now and over the next ten years. This will be an opportunity to learn and to hear about ways to become involved in helping to create change for the betterment of all.

Church Softball League

Tonight, 7:10 p.m., Sechler 1

St. John's vs. Canvas

Join the fun! Come cheer our team on! For the full summer schedule, go to <https://sites.google.com/site/northfieldchurchsoftballleague/home>.

Habitat for Humanity House Tour

Next Sunday, June 14, 11:00 a.m. (following worship and coffee/fellowship)

St. John's is invited to tour the Habitat for Humanity home at 315 S Poplar St. This home is located just one block from the church. We'll walk over as a group! Jodi Wagner, the Rice County Community Engagement Coordinator, will lead us through the property and answer any questions. St. John's committed \$20,000 from the Sustaining Grace Appeal to this project and the St. John's Foundation has generously gifted \$50,000. Members of our church have donated their time by helping on a few occasions with painting, providing lunch for the volunteers, and mowing the lawn. Habitat has now found a family who can move in when it is finished!

WELCA Summer Sips & Snips

Fridays, June 12 and/or June 19, 5:00–7:00 p.m., Home of Pam G-G

Join us as we get a head start on Christmas cards and ornaments. All supplies, food, and drink will be provided. RSVP required at least 5 days in advance and seating is limited.

Reminder of Deadlines

Please send all submissions electronically to Leah Garlie at office@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

- Sunday Bulletin and E-Voice Announcements: Due by Wednesday at 2:00 p.m.
- *The Voice* (July 2026 Edition): Due by June 15

Announcements (continued)

Volunteer Need for Habitat for Humanity House

Tuesday and Wednesday, June 9 and 10, (315 S Poplar St.)

There's a need for five volunteers to help stain and trim doors. Work begins at 9:00 a.m. Subway box lunches will be provided for all volunteers. Please contact Jodi Wagner at 507-403-7868 or jodihabitat@gmail.com if you can help with this on either or both days. Thank you!

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, June 22, from 12:00–6:00 p.m.

Please consider helping by donating blood at our upcoming blood drive. Sign up at <https://www.redcross.org/give-blood.html> or by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS.

Children and Youth

Registration for 2026–2027

Registration is officially open for St. John's children and youth programming next year, 2026–2027. Check out St. John's website for more information and to register.

Kids are Invited to Summer Movie Night—“How to Train Your Dragon”

Thursday, June 18, 6:30 p.m., St. John's Theater, 2nd floor

Bring a treat to share per family! Popcorn will be provided. Parents are welcome to join us, especially if your child is PreK.

Good Earth Village is Bringing Summer Camp to Northfield

When: August 3–6, 8:45 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Who: Kids completing grades K–5

Where: Bethel Lutheran Church

Cost: \$70 / Camper (Scholarships Available)

Want to give your kids a faith-filled camp experience—without leaving Northfield? Good Earth Village Day Camp brings the energy, joy, and spiritual impact of summer camp to us! GEV summer staff lead a week of songs, Bible study, worship, crafts, games, and connection—all designed to help children grow in faith and friendships. We are teaming up with Bethel, St. Peter's, and United Methodist Churches! Register online at: <https://goodearthvillage.org/bethel-northfield/>

Summer Camp for PreK too! Snowball Mountain Challenge! (VBS)

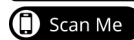
Who: For kids age 3 by 9/1/26–age 5

When: August 3–6, 9:00–11:00 a.m.

Where: St. John's Lutheran Church

Cost: \$15/Child, Max of \$30/Family (Scholarship Available)

Register by scanning the QR Code.



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

Marilyn Boschee, Barbara Dettle, Fred Huemoeller, Lowell Johnson, George Pinc

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Beverly Lohmann (mother of Judd Lohmann)

Those with ongoing health concerns

Ruth Smestad Anglin, Mary Cisar, David Halsor, Greta Matzner-Gore,
Dagfinn Moe, Dolores Nelson, David Norman, Mary Ellen North, Alice Rickert,
John Walters, Ingrid Alberding, Glen Norgaard (father of Brett Norgaard)

All who are homebound, including

Carol Johnson, 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; Katie Larson, ELCA missionary in Colombia

Prayer Requests / Stephen Ministry Requests

Stephen Ministry Requests

Contact 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.



Join Us for
Summer Worship

SUNDAYS AT 9:30 A.M.

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP
AFTER SERVICE

This Week At-a-Glance

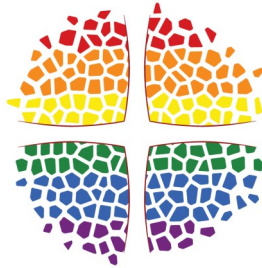
*The full calendar of events and building usage can be accessed
on our website at www.StJohnsNorthfield.org.*

Monday, June 8	9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Monday Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall Lunchtime Text Study via Zoom Boy Scouts Court of Honor, St. John's Hall
Tuesday, June 9	7:45 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Tai Chi Class, Fellowship Hall S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room Church Board Meetings, St. John's Hall
Wednesday, June 10	11:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Personnel Committee, Fireside Room New Moms Network, St. John's Library
Thursday, June 11	7:45 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Tai Chi Class, Fellowship Hall Quilting & Bandage Rolling, Fellowship Hall Prayer Shawl Knitters, Youth Room Thursday Night Big Book Group (AA Meeting), Youth Room
Friday, June 12	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall NAMI Support Group, Fireside Room
Saturday, June 13		No Scheduled Activities - Building Closed
Sunday, June 14	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary Coffee and Fellowship, St. John's Hall Tour of Habitat for Humanity House at 315 S Poplar Street

Lectionary Readings for Next Week (June 14):

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 19:2-8a + Psalm 100 + Romans 5:1-8 + Matthew 9:35—10:8



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

*St. John's Lutheran Church stands on the
ancestral homelands of the Wahpekute band of the Dakota nation.
We respect and are grateful for the generations of native people who have cared for this land.*