



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

DAY OF PENTECOST

JUNE 8, 2025 † 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 — “O Day Full of Grace”

F. Melius Christiansen, arr. Bryan King

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn** — ELW No. 627

“O Day Full of Grace”

Stanza 1 — all

Stanza 2 — treble voices

Stanza 3 — bass voices

Stanza 4 — all; sung in harmony

Stanza 5 — all

***Greeting**

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

G And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

P God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.” ⁵The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶And the LORD said, “Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another’s speech.” ⁸So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

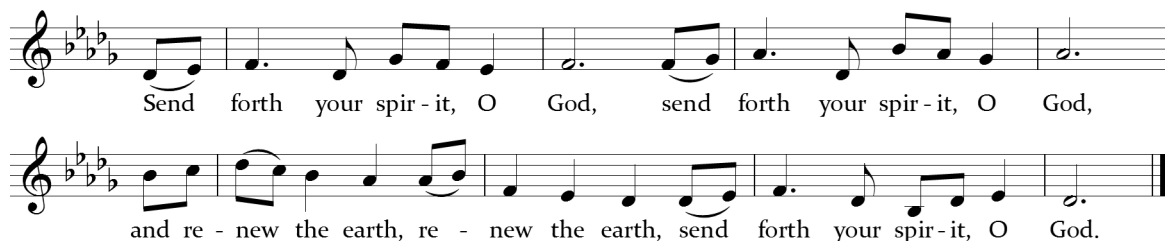
L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody — Psalm 104

Setting by Marty Haugen

Refrain: (first time: cantor, then all singing)



*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

*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.
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 — John 14:15-17, 25-27

¹⁵If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ²⁵I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Third Reading — Acts 2:1-21

Spark Story Bible, page 502

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.

¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — ACS No. 944

“O Spirit All-Embracing”

*The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is
seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Prayers of Intercession

After each petition:

Ⓔ Lord, in your mercy,

🕊 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

“Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove”

Libby Larsen

*Creator Spirit, heavenly dove,
descend upon us from above;
with graces manifold restore
your creatures as they were before.*

– Rhabanus Maurus, 776–856

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

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.

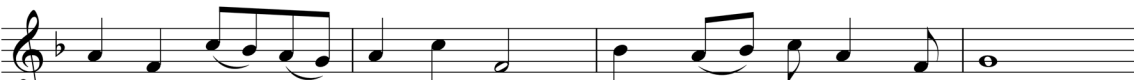


P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

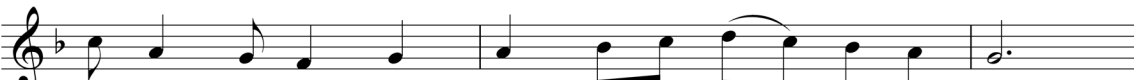
P It is indeed right . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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 musical notation for 'Lamb of God' is presented in three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below each staff.

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 — ELW No. 401

“Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading”

Hymn — ELW No. 407

“O Living Breath of God”

*Post-Communion Blessing

***Sending of Communion to the Sick and Homebound**

***Prayer after Communion**

- ℒ Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory,
and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.
- ☞ Amen.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

***Blessing**

Response:

- ☞ Amen.

***Sending Hymn** — ACS No. 942

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

***Dismissal**

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

Postlude — “Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

Spiritual, arr. Aaron David Miller



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Preaching	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Presiding	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Assisting Minister	Beth Cox, Charlotte Cox
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Cantor	David Sims
Communion Service	Angie Gehring
Greeter	TBD
Coffee Service	Angie Gehring
Refreshments	Kibby Errington, Rhonda Reece
Counters	Reed Hagberg, David Nitz, Mark Ulmer
Ushers	Mike Bull, Rick Hillard, Don Sahling, Jim Sharrow

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Announcements

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

Today's Radio Broadcast is given by Marilyn McRae Raadt in thankful appreciation for our pastors, musicians, and all the staff making St. John's a special place of worship. Sunday services are broadcast on KYMN Radio 1080AM/95.1FM at 8:30 a.m. on Sundays. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast (cost is \$160), contact Leah Garlie. Next available dates: August 10 & 24.

Church Softball League

Tonight, 7:05 p.m., Sechler 2

St. John's vs. Bethel

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

High School Senior Recognition Sunday—June 15

Next Sunday, June 15, we will recognize our High School Seniors and bless them on their road ahead. Following worship, we will host a brunch for High School Seniors and their families. Please join us in worship to celebrate and congratulate them!

Summer Choir Invitation

This summer you are invited to a summer choir opportunity. Next **Sunday, June 15**, come join your friends or try out the choir for the first time. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the choir room to rehearse and then sing for the 9:30 a.m. service. Anyone is welcome to participate! You don't have to be in the St. John's Chorale to join us.

Any questions, contact Nathan Proctor at music@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, June 23, 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.

70th Birthday Celebration for Mary Ellen North

Come and celebrate Mary Ellen's birthday with family and friends at a special coffee hour on Sunday, June 29 after worship. All are welcome!

Good Earth Village is excited to welcome everyone to the 6th Annual GoodStock!

The event begins Saturday, June 21, with the GoodStock Color Trail Run. After this we begin an afternoon of live music featuring Thomas and the Shakes, Loud Mouth Brass, and our headliner with members of Collective Unconscious. We will also have food trucks, wagon rides, and a Family Fun Zone. We will conclude on Sunday, June 22, with an outdoor worship service. For more information about this year's event visit our website www.goodearthvillage.org/goodstock.

Children and Youth

Road Trip: On the Go with God!

VBS is hosted by St. John's, Bethel, and St. Peter's Lutheran Churches and Emmaus Church.

When: Monday, June 9–Thursday, June 12, from 9:00–11:00 a.m.

Ages: Entering K–Grade 3, Fall 2025

Where: St. John's Lutheran Church

Cost: \$15/child; \$30/family, payable the first day of VBS

Scan the QR code to register.

*Volunteers Needed: Please email Julie Brehmer at children@StJohnsNorthfield.org if you can help.



Drop-In Lunches at Hogan Brothers

Youth are invited to join Kristin, one of the pastors, or another member of staff for lunch at Hogan Brothers, Wednesdays at noon, starting this Wednesday, June 11. No sign-up necessary, but feel free to check in with Kristin. Rising 6th graders and older.

Youth Summer Fun and Service Event

What: Feed My Starving Children

Who: All Youth (Grades rising 6–12)

When: Wednesday, June 18, 4:00–8:15 p.m.

Where: We'll carpool from Bethel to FMSC in Eagan.

Adult drivers and high school helpers needed! Please bring a picnic dinner, which we'll eat at a nearby park after our shift ends at 6:30 p.m.

Contact information for Children and Youth

Julie Brehmer, Director of Children's Ministry at children@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

Kristin Partlo, Director of Ministry with Youth & Families at youth@StJohnsNorthfield.org

Save the Date!

A Sweet and Savory Social for All Ages

Sunday, July 13

3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Spring Creek Park

510 Jefferson Parkway

Details to Follow

Sponsored by the
Adult Ministry & Education Board

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

Ellen Ellickson, Fred Huemoeller, Mary Ellen North,
Kent Rommereim, Kathy Applebee (sister of Craig Schultz)

Those celebrating the baptism of

Olive Ethel Tennyson (daughter of Anna and Richard Tennyson)
Lee Chester Tennyson (son of Anna and Richard Tennyson)
Kai Rifat Islehart (son of Sarah Rinehart and Riaz Islam)

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Jack Schwandt
Family of David Errington (father / father-in-law of Mike and Kibby Errington)
Family of LouElla Zibel (mother of Deanne Weber)

Those with ongoing health concerns

Greta Matzner-Gore, Dolores Nelson, Scott Quinnell, Alice Rickert, Kathy Vang,
Ruth Smestad Anglin, Ingrid Alberding, Darlene Schloeder (mother of April Fitzloff)

All who are homebound, including

Bob Flaten, Carolyn Jennings

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 macisa_r@gmail.com, or contact a pastor.

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 9	9:00 a.m.	VBS, St. John's Hall and Lower Level
	12:00 p.m.	Lunchtime Text Study via Zoom
	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts Pack #300, Sunday School Classrooms
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts (Troop #9313), Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, June 10	7:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Class, Fellowship Hall
	9:00 a.m.	VBS, St. John's Hall and Lower Level
		S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall
	10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting, Fireside Room
	1:00 p.m.	Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room
	7:00 p.m.	Church Board Meetings, St. John's Hall
Wednesday, June 11	9:00 a.m.	VBS, St. John's Hall and Lower Level
	11:15 a.m.	Personnel Committee, Fireside Room
Thursday, June 12	7:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Class, Fellowship Hall
	9:00 a.m.	VBS, St. John's Hall and Lower Level
		Quilting & Bandage Rolling, Fellowship Hall
Friday, June 13	9:00 a.m.	S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	NAMI Support Group, Fireside Room
Saturday, June 14		No Scheduled Activities - Building Closed
Sunday, June 15	9:00 a.m.	Summer Choir Rehearsal, Room 209
	9:30 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Fellowship, St. John's Hall

Lectionary Readings for Next Week (June 15):

The Holy Trinity—First Sunday after Pentecost

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 † Psalm 8 † Romans 5:1-5 † John 16:12-15



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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.*