

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE HOLY TRINITY — FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 12, 2022 † 8:30 A.M. & 10:00 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 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 — "Wir glauben all an einen Gott" BWV 680

J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn — ELW No. 413

"Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!"

*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.**

*Prayer of the Day

- P Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

¹Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice?

²On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;

³beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

4"To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

²²The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

²³Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth—²⁶when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. ²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race."

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

Psalmody — Psalm 8

Antiphon: "Let All Things Now Living" stanza 2

Antiphon: God rules all the forces: the stars in their courses and sun in its orbit obediently shine.



¹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—

³When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,

⁴what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them, human beings that you should | care for them?

⁵Yet you have made them little less | than divine; with glory and hon- or you crown them.

Antiphon: The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.

⁶You have made them rule over the works | of your hands; you have put all things un- der their feet: 7all flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts | of the field.

⁸the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.

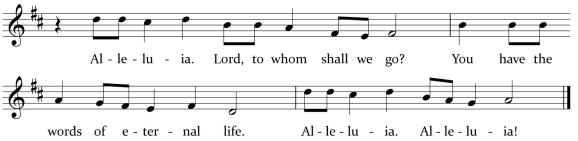
Antiphon: We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: "To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

Second Reading — Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

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

*Gospel Acclamation



*Gospel — John 16:12-15

- P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 16th chapter.
- **G** Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

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

Sermon

Pastor Jonathan Davis

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — ACS No. 948

"Womb of Life and Source of Being"

(10:00) Installation of WELCA Board

*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:

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

*Peace

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

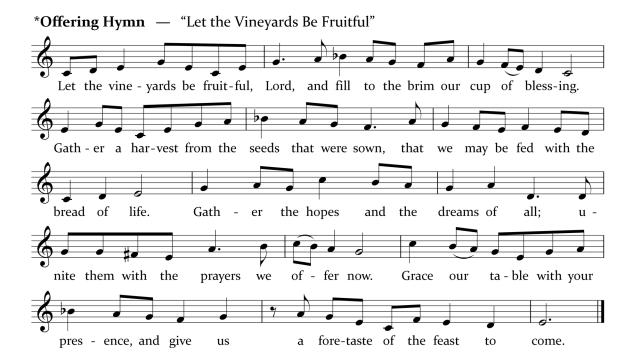
You are invited to share God's peace with those around you.

Offering of Our Gifts

Music at the Offering:

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

Anne Krenz Organ



*Offering Prayer

- **L** Let us pray.
- God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

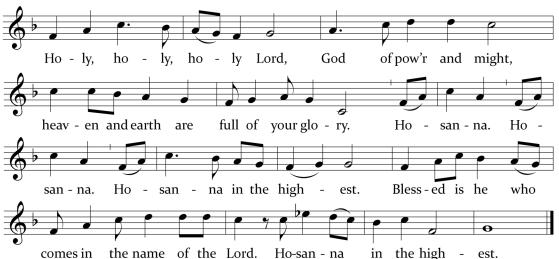
SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Great Thanksgiving



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

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



*Words of Institution

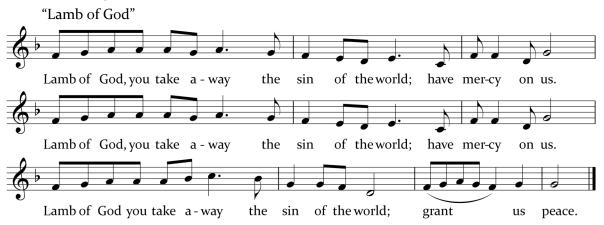
*The Lord's Prayer

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.

Music during Communion



*Post-Communion Blessing

*Prayer after Communion

- Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.
- Amen.

*Blessing

Response:

Amen.

*Sending Hymn — ELW No. 414

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

*Dismissal

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

Postlude — from "Fugue in E-flat" *Clavierübung III*

J. S. Bach

+ + +

Our Music Today

The music of J. S. Bach begins and ends our service today. Bach loved musical symbolism and used it to "preach" through his music. In the prelude, he takes the first seven notes of Martin Luther's setting of the Creed (ELW No. 411) and creates a trio for two manuals and pedal. His "Fugue in E-flat" is strongly Trinitarian and appropriate for Holy Trinity Sunday. Among other devices, it is in three sections (today we hear the third and final section), is written in triple meter, in the key of E-flat (three flats), and is constructed as a fugue, a compositional procedure which has no formal ending and could dance along forever.

SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding Kristin Partlo

Preaching Pastor Jonathan Davis

Assisting Minister Scott Swanson

Organists Nathan Proctor, David Sims

Cantors Julie Zdenek, Nancy Ordahl-Kmoch

Communion Service Angie Gehring
Coffee and Refreshments Angie Gehring

Nursery Elizabeth Evenson

Counters Merilyn Calcutt, Michelle Kramer-Prevost, Bob Tabery
Ushers (8:30) Jon McBroom, Cindy McBroom, Dan Franklin,

Don Sahling, Dean Schoeb

(10:45) Jonathan Norrie, Emmett Norrie, Wyatt Norrie, Keri Peterson, Emmett Peterson, Joran Peterson

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Cover art by Judy Swanson. Used with permission.

Portions of the liturgy are reprinted from Evangelical Lutheran Worship, © 2006 Augsburg Fortress. Holy Communion Setting 3 from Evangelical Lutheran Worship. Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress license #14028-LIT. Other liturgical aids are from Sundays and Seasons © 2022 Augsburg Fortress. Music reprinted and podcasted under One License A-708009.

Children and Youth Ministries

Vacation Bible School is Coming

An outdoor Family VBS provided by Bethel, St. John's, St. Peter's, and Emmaus.

When: Wednesdays, June 15 & 22, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Where: Outdoors at Bethel (We will move indoors if raining.)

Who: Designed for Kids up through Elementary

Cost: \$20 per family

Register Online: https://forms.gle/kWGJ6vxZo4qMdB6W6

"SonShine" is back this Summer!

Three of our ELCA Churches (St. Peter's, St. John's, & Bethel) have prepared some great youth events! Mark your calendar for:

- June 29 The Scavenger Hunt: Downtown Northfield
- July 27 A Movie Night: Outdoors or at the Theatre
- August 17 Romans & Christians: At St. John's

....And more summer opportunities are still to come!

Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in by Dick and Donna Werdahl in honor of their 67th wedding anniversary. 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), please contact Leah Garlie at 507-645-4429 or office@StlohnsNorthfield.org. Available Dates: June 19 & 26 and August 7 & 21.

St. John's Nursery Reopens This Summer

Starting today, St. John's Nursery will reopen during the 10:00 a.m. worship service in June and August and during the 9:30 a.m. service in July. The Nursery is open for ages 6 and younger. We ask that children wear a mask.

Church Softball League Game

Tonight, 6:00 p.m. and 7:10 p.m., Sechler 2

St. John's vs. Trinity Blue and St. John's vs. First UCC

Join the fun! Come cheer our team on! For the full summer schedule, check the bulletin board in the Commons.

Patio Theology—Why Do We Suffer? Human Free-Will?

Tomorrow, Monday, June 13, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Home of David and Debby Nitz

Topic: Is suffering and pain the result of our human free-will and sinful nature?

Augustine would say that God created the world perfect, but then human beings turned away from God. As a result, evil was created by humanity's misuse of free-will, leading to human suffering in the world. For many, this explains why we suffer—it is the risk and consequence of having free-will and not living as robots. What do you think? Does that answer the question of why we suffer and soothe our fears? Does God ever intervene against human free-will? If not, why? Join us for Patio Theology, as we continue to engage with how faithful people have responded to the problem of evil and suffering. Bring a chair and your beverage of choice.

Event at Valley Grove Church

Tuesday, June 21, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

The Adult Ministry & Education Board invites you to an ice cream social at Valley Grove Church. Jeff Sauve will talk about the history of the buildings, the cemetery, and the congregation's connections with the Lutheran churches in the area. Gary Wagenbach will introduce participants to the 50 acres of natural area surrounding the building site and cemetery. Celebrate the longest day of the year with other St. John's members at Valley Grove Church!

St. John's is Hiring this Summer!

Do you know someone who would be interested in serving as our Facility Manager? Maybe someone who could be a children's choir director or handbell director? St. John's <u>employment link</u> on our website is the place to send them as we seek new partners in ministry.

Announcements (continued)

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, June 16, from 1:00-6:00 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.

Baby Care Kits for LWR

One of St. John's WELCA stewardship projects is Baby Care Kits which are shipped to LWR for distribution to places experiencing disaster and poverty. LWR prescribes the items that go into each kit. If you would like to donate something for the kits, the items most needed now are:

- sleepers or sleep sets (without feet), sizes 18-24 months
- light weight t-shirts (no onesies), sizes 18-24 months
- hooded jackets, sizes 6-24 months
- NEW hand towels in dark colors

Donations may be left in the Baby Care Kit basket under the WELCA bulletin board in the Commons. Cash gifts are welcome and will be used to buy supplies or help pay for the shipping. Checks should be made out to St. John's WELCA with Baby Care Kits in the memo line. Questions? Contact Barbara Eaves at pbeaves@hotmail.com.

From the St. John's Church Library...

We encourage you to browse our wonderful selection of books for all ages! There are new books that have been added to our collection over the past year. Summer is a great time to read! The library is "open" whenever the church building is open. You can check out a book for a few days or weeks by simply filling out the library card in the back of the book with your name and the date, then placing it in the basket on the counter. We hope you stop on by and have a look!

Life in the Time of COVID

The Faith & Health Board thanks those who submitted a personal story or reflection. You are invited to read these stories on the website at https://stjohnsnorthfield.org/about/history/life-in-the-time-of-covid/.

Shared Ministry

One Usher Still Needed for the Late Service on the 3rd Sunday of the Month

If you'd like to help with this important role, please contact Angie Gehring at 507-645-4429 or sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org. No prior experience is necessary - you will receive instructions/training. This role is just one service per month, and substitutes can be contacted if needed. This is a great way to serve during worship!

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

Bob Flaten, Ruth Hansen, Carolyn Jennings, Duane Kringen, Paul Peterson, Audrey Moe, Karl Jacobson (son of Pastor Del Jacobson), Rich Rizzo (brother of Bill Rizzo)

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Elvin Heiberg

Those with ongoing health concerns

Donna James, Delores Nelson, Becky Ness, John Quam, Scott Quinnell, Julie Westerback, Laila Burns Hedstrom

All who are homebound, including

Joan Carlson, Richard Olson, Elouise Quinnell

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; Katie Larson, ELCA missionary in Colombia

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.

Installation of WELCA Board

This morning the following women will be installed into the St. John's Women's Executive Board for the 2022–23 season:

Jean Wakely, President Carol Briemhorst, Vice President Jennifer Edwins, Treasurer Janet Lotegeluaki, Secretary Julie Zdenek, Publicity

Jo Franklin, Kathy Schurmann and Dawn Tommerdahl, Education Jane Rinehart and Cindy McBroom, Stewardship Pam Groves-Gaggioli and Mary Hoff, Membership

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 13 12:00 p.m. Lunchtime Text Study via Zoom

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts, St. John's Hall

Tuesday, June 14 9:00 a.m. 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

6:00 p.m. Brownie Troop #27358, Undercroft 6:45 p.m. Church Board Meetings, St. John's Hall

Wednesday, June 15 1:00 p.m. Visitation - Elvin Heiberg, Commons

2:00 p.m. Funeral - Elvin Heiberg, Sanctuary6:00 p.m. Family VBS, Bethel Lutheran Church

Thursday, June 16 9:00 a.m. Quilters, Fellowship Hall

1:00 p.m. Faith, Fact & Fiction Book Group, St. John's Library

American Red Cross Blood Drive, St. John's Hall

Friday, June 17 9:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. NAMI Support Group, Fireside Room

Saturday, June 18 No Scheduled Activities - Building Closed

Sunday, June 19 8:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, St. John's Hall

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

<u>Lectionary Readings for Next Week (June 19):</u>

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 65:1-9 + Psalm 22:19-28 + Galatians 3:23-29 + Luke 8:26-39



500 Third Street West Northfield, MN 55057 507-645-4429 office@StJohnsNorthfield.org www.StJohnsNorthfield.org

Pam Fickenscher, Senior Pastor
Jonathan Davis, Associate Pastor
Julie Brehmer, Director of Children's Ministry
Tim Byers, Facility Manager
Leah H. Garlie, Office Manager / Finance Manager
Angie Gehring, Shared Ministry Coordinator
Emmanuel Kaghondi, Director of Ministry with Youth & Families
Sally Lindell, Parish Nurse
Arielle Loy, Director of Alleluia Choir
Nathan Proctor, Organist and Director of Worship, Music & Arts

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