



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE HOLY TRINITY — FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 15, 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 — Canzona No. 29

Girolamo Frescobaldi
arr. S. Drummond Wolff

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn** — ELW No. 413

“Holy, 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.
- C** And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

- P** God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe
and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation,
eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to
all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has
revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and
praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.
- C** 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,

²⁸when 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,

³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.”

L The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Second Reading — Romans 5:1-5

¹Therefore, 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.

G Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation



*Gospel — John 16:12-15

Spark Story Bible, page 450

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."

L The Gospel of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Alec Vatter
Joran Peterson

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — ELW No. 412

"Come, Join the Dance of Trinity"

***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**

- ℣** 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”

arr. John Ferguson

Te Deum laudamus: te Dominum confitemur.

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.

Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.

*Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heavens with sweet accord: “Holy, holy, holy Lord!”*

*Lo, the apostolic train join your sacred name to hallow;
prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow;
and from morn to set of sun through the church the song goes on.*

All stand and sing:

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one; un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing, bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

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Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth; Music: *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1774

*Offering Prayer

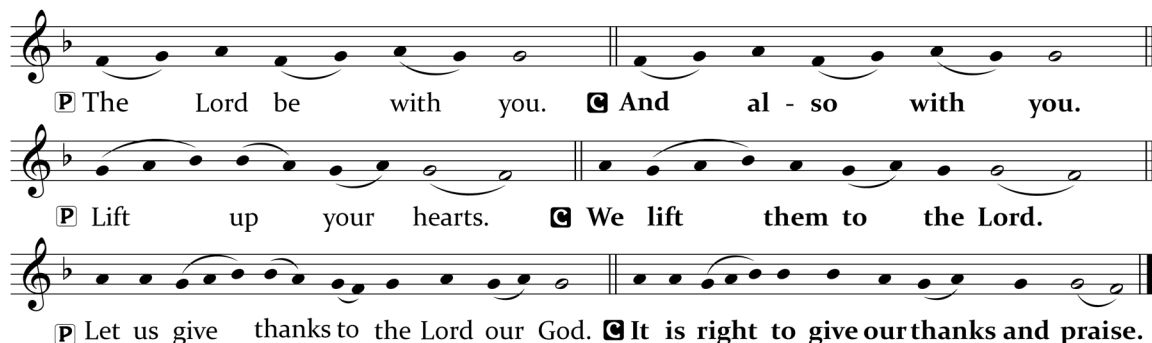
☐ Let us pray.

☒ **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

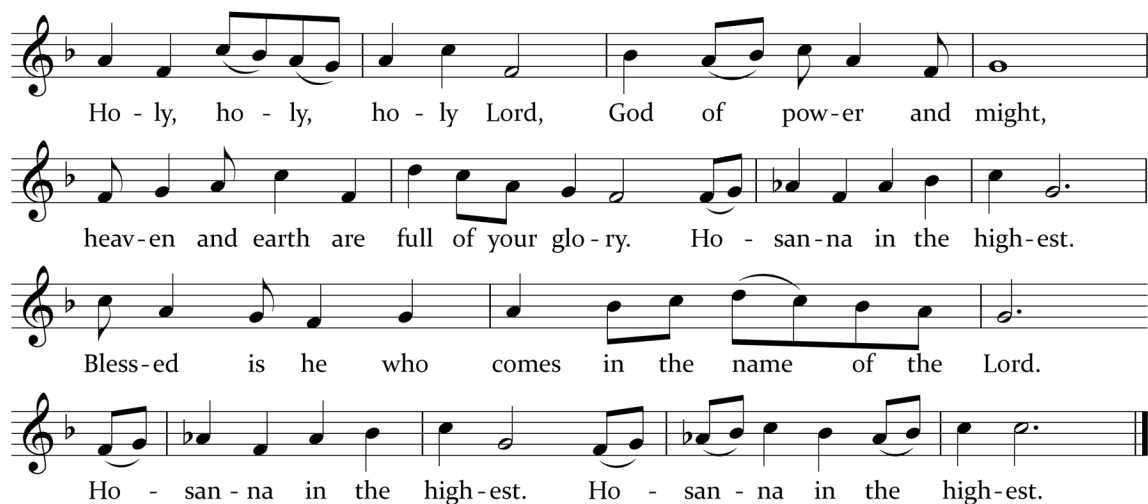


P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

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 parts, each on a single staff 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.

Anthem — "The Pilgrim's Aiding"

Ralph M. Johnson

*God be with you in every pass, Jesus be with you on every hill, Spirit be with you
on every stream, headland and ridge and lawn; each sea and land, each moor
and meadow, each lying down, each rising up, in the trough of the waves,
on the crest of the billows, each step of the journey you go.*

— Carmina Gaedelica III, tr. Alexander Carmichael

Hymn — ELW No. 793

"Be Thou My Vision"

***Post-Communion Blessing**

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

***Prayer after Communion**

- ☞ 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 and Sending of High School Seniors

***Blessing**

Response: ☞ **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn — ELW No. 543**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

Stanza 2 may be sung in harmony.

***Dismissal**

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

Postlude — “Celebration”

Dagfinn Moe



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Preaching	Alec Vatter, Joran Peterson
Presiding	Pastor Jonathan Davis
	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Assisting Ministers	High School Graduates
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Brass Quartet	Lexi Cucchiaro, Michael Berger; trumpet
	Paul Beck, Eric Johnsrud; trombone
Choir	Summer Choir
Communion Service	Joe and Judy Smith
Greeter	Craig Schultz
Coffee Service	Pam Groves-Gaggioli, Fran Wood
Refreshments	Gerri Licke, Patrice Nordstrand, Rhonda Reece, Fran Wood
Counters	Sue Brockman, Brenda Bultman, Marilyn Calcutt
Ushers	Cindy Clauson, Alison Kavanaugh, Rick Hillard, Jackson Volkert

Congratulations to Our High School Graduates!

*Merri-Elisabeth Kmoch, Seth Knutson, Edy McLaughlin, Harper Miller,
Emmett Norrie, Emmett Peterson, Joran Peterson, Elizabeth Tracy,
Alec Vatter, Jackson Volkert, Loudon Weis, Louise Welbaum*

Following worship today, our graduates and their families
will gather together for a celebration brunch in St. John's Hall.

We are proud of all of their accomplishments and
wish them grace and peace for their journeys ahead.

St. John's High School Graduates receive a quilt from St. John's.

We hope that each time they use their quilts they
remember how much their St. John's family loves them!

Thank you to Sue Brockman, Tricia Peterson, Deanne Weber,
and Julie Brehmer for helping construct the quilts.

Announcements

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

Today's Radio Broadcast is given by Dave & Julie Zdenek in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and in honor of their parents Ruth & Earling Hansen and Betty & Bob Zdenek. Sunday services are broadcast on KYMN Radio 1080AM/95.1FM at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast (cost is \$160), contact Leah Garlie.

Church Softball League Double Header Tonight

6:00 p.m., Secher 1, St. John's vs. Cornerstone / 7:05 p.m., Sechler 2, St. John's vs. River Church

Join the fun! Come cheer our team on! For the full summer schedule, go to:

<https://sites.google.com/site/northfieldchurchsoftballleague/home>.

Pub Theology

Tomorrow, Monday, June 16, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

What is Pub Theology? It is a conversation around questions of faith, God, Jesus, the Bible, current events, and culture. No fancy theological or biblical knowledge needed in order to participate. Just bring your questions, thoughts, and experiences. Topics vary and will be published ahead of time on Facebook, in the E-Voice, and on an email list. If you'd like to be added to the Pub Theology email list, contact Pastor Jonathan at jdavis@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, June 23, 12:00–6:00 p.m. St. John's Hall

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!

On Saturday, June 21, the event begins with the GoodStock Color Trail Run followed by an afternoon of live music. There will also be food trucks, wagon rides, and a Family Fun Zone. The event concludes on Sunday, June 22, with an outdoor worship service. For more information about this year's event visit our website www.goodearthvillage.org/goodstock

Courageous Conversations Book Group

We invite you to join our summer discussion of *Autocracy, Inc.* by Anne Applebaum. The group will meet every two weeks: July 17 & 31, August 14 & 28 via Zoom. Books are available at Content Bookstore in Northfield. Please contact dawn.tommerdahl@gmail.com to sign up and receive the reading plan and zoom link.

Children and Youth

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, on Wednesdays at noon. No sign-up necessary, but feel free to check in with Kristin. Rising 6th graders and older.

Help Out at the Food Shelf

Who: All St. John's Youth (parents welcome, too!)

What: Work a two-hour shift at the Northfield CAC Food Shelf

When: Your choice of Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Once again this summer, 1–2 youth per week are invited to work for a two-hour shift at the Northfield CAC Food Shelf. We'll be greeting and stocking shelves. Kristin will be there each week (except when another staff member fills in) to be a familiar face. Parents are welcome to sign up with their youth—those who did so last year reported that it was a meaningful way to spend a summer midday together. Sign up at volunteersignup.org/RCYD4

Youth Summer Fun and Service Events

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.

What: Splash Valley Water Park (rain back-up TBD)

Who: All Youth (Grades rising 6–12)

When: Wednesday, July 9, 3:15–7:15 p.m.

Where: We'll carpool from *Bethel* to Apple Valley

Please bring \$14 to cover park fees. Adult drivers and high school helpers needed!

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

Lectionary Readings for Next Week (June 22):

Second Sunday after Pentecost

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

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, Kent Rommereim, Kathy Applebee (sister of Craig Schultz)

Those with ongoing health concerns

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

All who are homebound, including

Laila Burns Hedstrom, 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.

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

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 16	12:00 p.m.	Lunchtime Text Study via Zoom
	6:00 p.m.	Pub Theology, Location TBD Boy Scouts Pack #300, Sunday School Classrooms
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts (Troop #9313), Fellowship Hall Pipe Organ Encounter—Organ Recital, Sanctuary
Tuesday, June 17	7:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Class, Fellowship Hall
	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
	6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministers, Offsite
	7:00 p.m.	NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), Youth Room
Wednesday, June 18	4:00 p.m.	Feed My Starving Children (Grades 6-12), Offsite
	5:30 p.m.	Evening Knitters, Fireside Room
	6:30 p.m.	Faith & Politics Discussion, St. John's Library
Thursday, June 19	7:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Class, Fellowship Hall
	9:00 a.m.	Quilting & Bandage Rolling, Fellowship Hall
	1:30 p.m.	Executive Committee via Zoom
Friday, June 20	9:00 a.m.	S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	NAMI Support Group, Fireside Room
Saturday, June 21		No Scheduled Activities - Building Closed
Sunday, June 22	9:30 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Fellowship, St. John's Hall

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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.*