

Service of Holy Communion

Second Sunday after Pentecost June 23, 2019 † 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 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. Pastor, L Leader (Assisting Minister), G 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. We warmly welcome you here.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude — "Soplo de Dios viviente"

Al Roberts

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn — No. 407

"O Living Breath of God"

*Confession

Front of hymnal — page 94



*Greeting

- 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

- O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- **G** Amen

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — Isaiah 65:1-9

Pew Bible, page 606

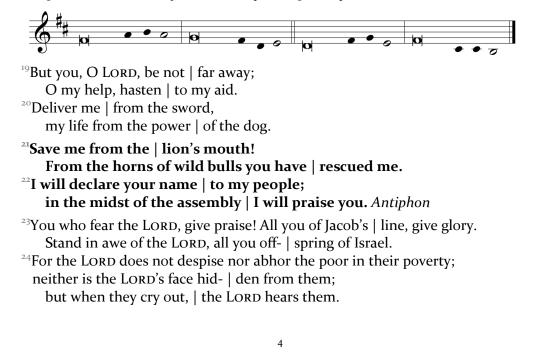
After the reading:

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

Psalmody — Psalm 22:19-28

Psalm Tone: Rev. Joseph Crippen

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly I will praise you.



²⁵From you comes my praise in the | great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who | fear the LORD.

²⁶The poor shall eat | and be satisfied,

Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts | live forever!

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD;

all the families of nations shall bow | before God.

²⁸For dominion belongs | to the LORD,

who rules o- | ver the nations. Antiphon

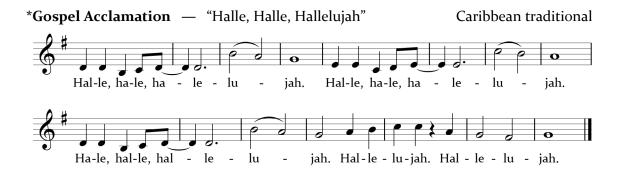
Second Reading — Galatians 3:23-29

Pew Bible, page 947

After the reading:

L The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.



*Gospel — Luke 8:26-39

Pew Bible, page 841

Before the reading:

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 8th chapter.
- **G** Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

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

Sermon

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 843

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

*Apostles' Creed

Front of hymnal — page 105

*Prayers of Intercession

After each petition:

L Lord, in your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

*Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. P

G And also with you.

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

Offering of Our Gifts

Music at the Offering:

II. "Quietly, moving" from Sonata II

Paul Hindemith



Music: Traditional African-American; harmony J. Jefferson Cleveland and Verolga Nix

***Offering Prayer**

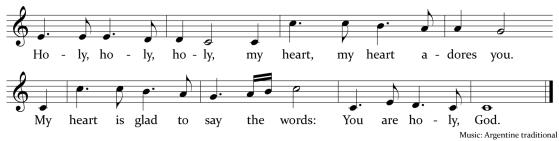
L Let us pray.

 Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Great Thanksgiving

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- ▶ It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



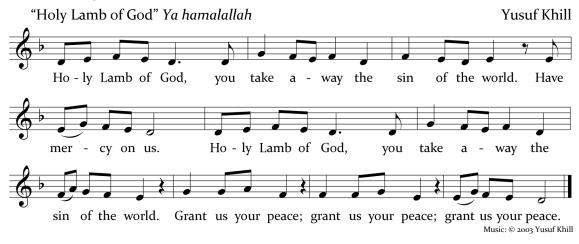
*Eucharistic Prayer

*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. This morning we commune by means of **intinction** (dipping the wafer into the chalice). You will be given a wafer and offered a choice of two chalices. The **wine** is red; the **grape juice** is white. **Gluten-free wafers** are available in the center, and there is a chalice of grape juice in the center for the gluten-free wafers only. If you are unable to come forward, let an usher know, and communion will be brought to you.

Music during Communion



Hymn — No. 620 "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"

Stanzas 1-5

Hymn — No. 876

"Let the Whole Creation Cry"

*Post-Communion Blessing

*Prayer after Communion

- **L** Let us pray.
- O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

*(10:00) Blessing and Sending for Camp Amnicon Participants and Good Earth Village Campers

*Blessing

Response:

C Amen.

*Sending Hymn — No. 650

*Dismissal

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

Postlude — "Fanfare on MCKEE"

Charles Callahan

"In Christ There Is No East or West"



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Preaching	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Assisting Minister	Kristin Partlo
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Communion Preparer	Kristin Partlo
Communion Server	TBD
Communion Cleanup	Jill Enestvedt
Greeters / Welcome Desk	(8:30) Shirley Keltto, David Norman
	(10:00) Dave and Ruthie Neuger, Doneen Viall, Nick Viall
Coffee Service	Pam Groves-Gaggioli, Jon Kerr
Nursery	Anne France
Counters	Brenda Bultman, Jerry Kipp, David Norman, Ted Peterson
Ushers	(8:30) Dallas Berg, Barry Becker, Erik Hong,
	Rob Nutt, Mark Polzin, Bruce Rickert
	(10:00) David Rudser, Robert Nyvall, Susan Rudser,
	Mark Rydberg, Terry Rydberg, Grit Youngquist

OUR LITURGY TODAY

In the spirit of Pentecost, our liturgy music during June lifts up musical traditions other than our western Lutheran style. One of the gifts of music is the ability to help us expand our view of the world and recognize Christian communities in many different times and places. It is important to remember when singing a variety of songs like this that we do this not to claim an understanding of a whole community or tradition, but to acknowledge and honor a variety of cultures with our voices. We sing to help us create new feelings of empathy for those around us and a better understanding of ourselves.

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St. John's 150th Anniversary Celebrations

We invite you to mark your calendars for these special anniversary events:

Saturday, July 13 Congregational Picnic 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Way Park

We will get outdoors together and celebrate with a family-friendly social event. Lunch, games, fun, and fellowship provided.

October 26-28

Our **Capstone Event** will include something for everyone...kids, neighbors, history buffs, and people who just love to get together, share food, and celebrate.



AMNICON PARTICIPANTS

Our middle school youth head to South Range, WI, for white water canoeing and camping along the beautiful Flambeau River. They will return home on Friday, June 28.

16 Middle School Campers:

Lillian Almen, Will Becker, Natalie DeGrego, Rhett G[']arlie, Gabriela Gilpin, Dana Laine, Edy McLaughlin, Emmett Norrie, Emmett Peterson, Joran Peterson, Vassar Price, Marissa Vatter, Mason Vatter, Gus Welbaum, Louise Welbaum, and Max Williams

4 Adult Chaperones: Barry Becker, Pastor Jonathan Davis, Elisha DeGrego, and Anna Weisenburger

Blessings as they embark on this adventure in the great outdoors of God's creation!

GOOD EARTH VILLAGE CAMPERS

St. John's campers heading to Good Earth Village Summer Camp this week are: Kevin Do, Michaela Gummow, John Malecha, Will McLaughlin and Wyatt Norrie

Blessings for a wonderful camp experience!

Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in loving memory of Gloria Ann Raadt by Paul Raadt and family. 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 by phone. Help us keep this ministry alive and sponsor a broadcast! Dates available: July 7, 14 & 28. Video broadcasts can be seen on Northfield Community Television (NTV) – cable channel 180, Mondays at 7:30 p.m. and Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

Pub Theology

Weekly on Mondays, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Froggy Bottoms

Topic for Tomorrow Evening: Early Christians Emphasized Paradise, Not Crucifixtion

How did the image of the cross become so important to the church? Should it represent crucifixion and the after-life or Jesus' reopening the potential of an earthly paradise of justice and equality? Has our understanding been betrayed by a false historical narrative? Join in discussion of controversial conclusions reached by a pair of theologians who began by looking at early Christians' artistic uses of the cross.

https://www.uuworld.org/articles/early-christians-emphasized-paradise-not-crucifixion

Hearing Loop Technology, which allows individuals with hearing aids to tap directly into our sound system, will be installed in the Sanctuary this summer. The Church Council seeks designated donations to finish funding the project. If you would like to donate, you can designate any check or online offering for "Hearing Loop." For more information about the project, contact Mark Gleason of the Evangelism & Communications Board.

Opportunity to Participate in a Nibi Walk Along the Cannon River with CRWP

As part of the 2019 Northfield Year of Water and the We Are Water Traveling Exhibit, the Cannon River Watershed Partnership (CRWP), the Minnesota Humanities Center, and the Indigenous People's Task Force are hosting a Nibi Walk along the Cannon River, July 12-15. A Nibi walk is an Indigenous-led, extended ceremony to pray for the water. Every step is taken in prayer and gratitude for water, our life giving force. The walk begins in Waterville, MN, and will follow the course of the river to Red Wing, MN. To participate in this activity, you must attend a training/ orientation on Sunday, June 30, 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the Weitz Center in Northfield. To register, visit <u>https://www.crwp.net/events</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Strauss, CRWP Community Engagement Coordinator at<u>kevin@crwp.net</u> or at 507-786-3913.

St. John's Website

Please check out our website at <u>www.StJohnsNorthfield.org</u>. 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.

Shared Ministry

Sign ups for all events are available in the Commons, by emailing Angie Gehring at <u>sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org</u>, by calling 507-645-4429, or online thru CCB.

Do you like the warm and hospitable atmosphere of St. John's?

It happens because of the willingness of so many to extend a hand and smile, saying "It's good to see you." We do this literally by having designated greeters at the doors before services. St. John's tradition of breaking bread together at communion (and coffee!) is a tangible expression of Jesus' love for each of us. Come and be part of the welcome! We need you to make it happen! Thank you.

Openings for Next Sunday, June 30: If you'll be here and can help, let us know. If you have never done this before, let us know and we will walk you through your role.

- **Communion Prep** (1 person) Begin by 8:00 a.m. to set up plates and chalices for communion, then refresh/replenish wafers for 10:00 a.m. service. Detailed instructions available in the Sacristy.
- Greeters at the Southwest Doors (2 people) for the 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. services. Arrive to get a nametag at the Welcome Desk 25 minutes before service begins, smile, shake hands, and say "Good to see you!"
- **Coffee Service** (2 people) Begin at 8:00 a.m. to brew coffee and put donut holes in baskets. Detailed instructions provided. During the summer, coffee will be in St. John's Hall.

Berry Sunday is Sunday, July 14, After Worship in St. John's Hall

Can you aid with this special fruit Sunday? Can you bring in flowers or help with set up on Saturday, June 13? If you cannot help on Saturday, can you help on Sunday with the last minute details of making coffee, plating the desserts, serving, cleaning up, making coffee? Of course,

Children and Youth Ministries

Online Registration for Children and Youth 2019-2020 School Year!

Check out St. John's website at <u>www.StJohnsNorthfield.org</u> where you will find all the forms needed for registering children and youth for the 2019-2020 school year plus information on how to volunteer for upcoming events and programs. We appreciate registrations turned in by August 25 for returning members. Visitors and new members are invited to register at any time during the year. Please contact Julie Brehmer or Angie Gehring at 507-645-4429, if you have questions regarding programming.

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 with ongoing health concerns Marybeth Bremer, Fred Gonnerman, Elvin Heiberg, Fred Huemoeller, Mary Ingbritsen, Bob Matta, Becky Ness, Susan Nissen, Betty Schuette, Joanne Sommers, Jim Thompson, Julie Westerback, Laila Burns Hedstrom

All who are homebound, including Lois Pearson, Gloria Porter, Lois Rand

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; Mark Rich and Cynthia Holder Rich, ELCA Missionaries in Tanzania

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 one of the pastors at 507-645-4429.

Prayer Chain Requests Contact Mary Cisar at 507-663-1097 or <u>macisar@gmail.com</u>, or contact a pastor.

Lectionary Readings for Next Week (June 30):

Third Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 + Psalm 16 + Galatians 5:1, 13-25 + Luke 9:51-62

This Week At-a-Glance

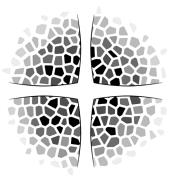
The calendar below contains only St. John's events. The full calendar of events and building usage can be accessed on our website at <u>www.StJohnsNorthfield.org</u>.

Mon., June 24	10:45 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	1000 Cannon Valley Drive Communion, Offsite Dinner followed by Communion at NRC, Offsite Manna and Mercy Text Study, Fireside Room Pub Theology, Froggy Bottoms
Tue., June 25	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Undercroft Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Knitters (World Vision: Knit for Kids), Offsite Church Council, St. John's Hall
Wed., June 26	6:00 p.m.	Courageous Conversations Book Study, Fireside Room
Thursday, June 27	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Knitters, Fireside Room Northfield Girl Scout Planning Meeting, Fireside Room
Friday, June 28	8:45 a.m. 1:30 p.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Undercroft Tai Chi Chih, St. John's Library
Saturday, June 29		No Scheduled Activities
Sunday, June 30	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary Coffee and Fellowship, St. John's Hall Worship / Nursery, Sanctuary

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: July 15th for the August/September Edition

Please send submissions electronically to <u>office@StJohnsNorthfield.org</u> Thank you.





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