



# SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 24, 2018 † 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.*

**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.*

*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.*

# GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

**Prelude** — “I’ve Been in de Storm So Long” Spiritual, arr. Harry Burleigh

*I’ve been in de storm so long, children, I’ve been in de storm so long, oh, give me little time to pray.  
Oh, let me tell my mother how I came along, oh, give me little time to pray, with a hung-down head  
an’ a aching heart, oh, give me little time to pray. Oh, when I get to heav’n I’ll walk all about, oh,  
give me little time to pray, dere’ll be nobody there to turn me out, oh give me little time to pray.*

“Chant de Paix” *Song of Peace*

Jean Langlais

## Welcome and Announcements

**\*Gathering Hymn** — No. 796

“How Firm a Foundation”

## \*Confession and Forgiveness

Ⓟ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, full of compassion and mercy,  
abounding in steadfast love.

Ⓞ **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Ⓟ Eternal God our creator,

Ⓞ **in you we live and move and have our being.**

**Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands.**

**Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from empty desires.**

**By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Ⓟ Since we are justified by faith,

we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us.

In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners;  
and for his sake, God ✝ forgives you all your sins.

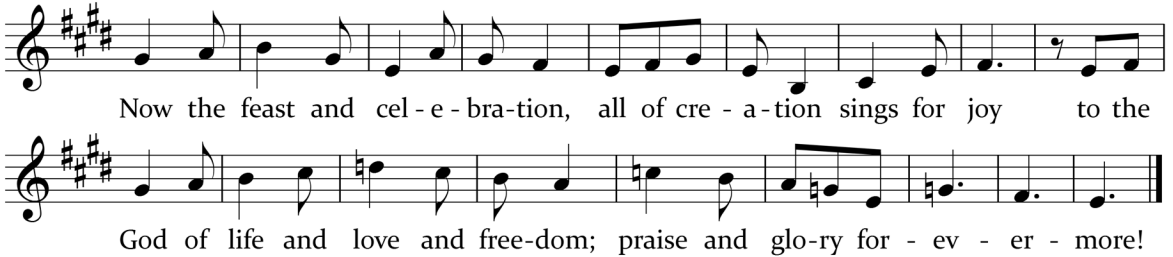
Ⓞ **Amen.**

### \*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.**

### \*Hymn of Praise — “Now the Feast and Celebration”

*Refrain — all singing, Verses — cantors*



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion sings for joy to the  
God of life and love and free - dom; praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

### \*Prayer of the Day

- ☐ O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- ☑ **Amen.**

## HEARING GOD’S WORD

### Children’s Message

First Reading — Job 38:1-11

Pew Bible, page 420

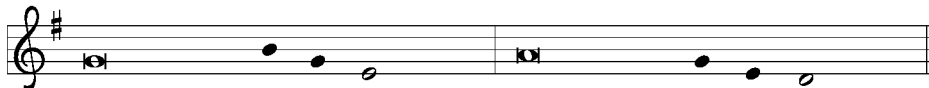
*After the reading:*

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

**Psalmody** — Psalm 107, selected verses

Antiphon: Thomas Pavlechko

*Antiphon: Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Jesus whispers,  
"Peace, be still." Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In stillness, hear his voice.*



\***Gospel** — Mark 4:35-41

Spark Story Bible, page 286; Pew Bible, page 816

*Before the reading:*

☐ The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the reading:*

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

Pastor Pam Fickenscher

## **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

**Hymn of the Day** — No. 552

“Blessed Be the God of Israel”

\***The Apostles' Creed** — *Front of hymnal, page 105*

\***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**

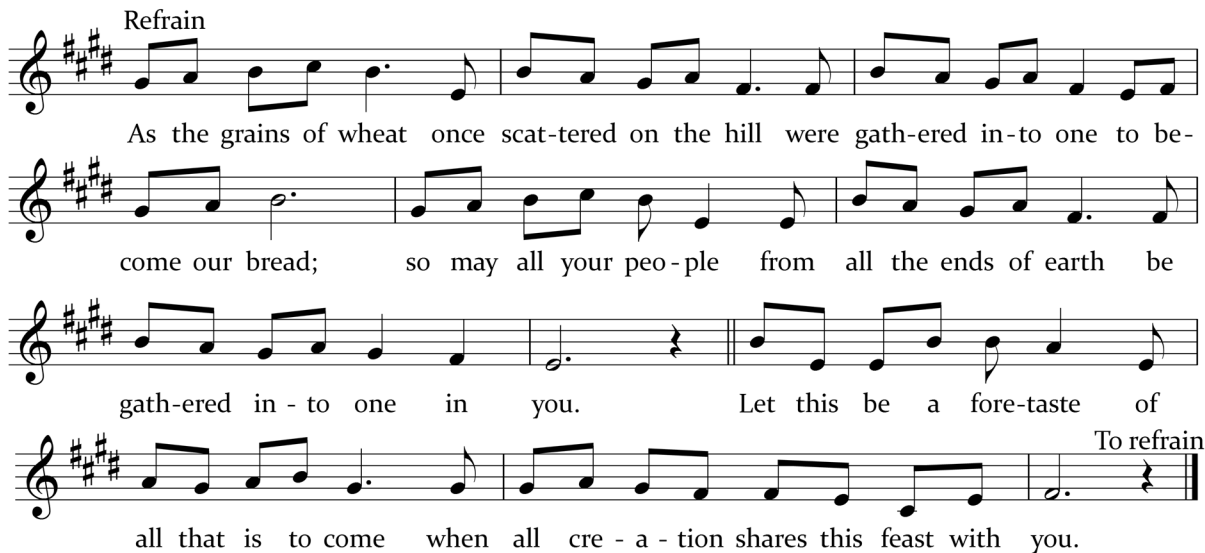
*Music at the Offering:*

“How Can I Keep from Singing?”

Robert Lowry, arr. Bradley Ellingboe

**\*Offering Hymn — “As the Grains of Wheat”**

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were gath-ered in-to one to be-  
come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from all the ends of earth be  
gath-ered in - to one in you. Let this be a fore-taste of  
all that is to come when all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

To refrain

**\*Offering Prayer**

- L** Let us pray together.
- All** **Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

**\*Great Thanksgiving**

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also 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.

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and might;  
Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est! Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

### \*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

“Lamb of God”



1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have  
2. Lamb of God, you are the bread of life for us all: have



mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us. 3. Lamb of God, you  
mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.



take a-way the sin of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

**Anthem** — “Lift Thine Eyes” from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

*Lift thine eyes, O lift thine eyes to the mountains, whence cometh help.  
Thy help cometh from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.  
He hath said, thy foot shall not be moved. Thy Keeper will never slumber.*

**Hymn** — No. 755

“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”

## \*Post-Communion Blessing

### \*Prayer after Communion

℣ Let us pray.

℟ **Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. Amen.**

# DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD’S WORLD

## \*Blessing

*Response:*

☩ Amen.

\*Sending Hymn — No.763

“My Life Flows On in Endless Song”

*Stanzas 1 and 2*

## \*Dismissal

☪ Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

☩ Thanks be to God.

Postlude — on FOUNDATION

Dale Wood



## OUR WORSHIP TODAY

This morning our text from the Gospel of Mark tells of Jesus, in a boat with his disciples, speaking to the wind and waves and calming a great storm. As we worship, we begin by acknowledging the deep wisdom held in the spiritual that says “I’ve been in de storm so long.”

While unrest, constant news updates, and broken relationships surround us, we too feel the storm raging all around. The second part to the prelude, by twentieth-century French composer Jean Langlais, offers a glimpse of peace as the long sustained tones of the organ allow us time for breath and stillness. When we sing the opening hymn, we sing the hope-filled words of God to ourselves and to one another, “Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed, for I am your God and will still give you aid.” May we offer words of peace to our neighbors not knowing all the storms they are living in each day.

## **SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:**

Preaching and Presiding	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Assisting Minister	Patsy Ophaug
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Cantors	Kristin Partlo, Elizabeth Bade, Ruth Legvold, Karen Fossum, Ruth Smestad-Anglin, Kellie Asher
Flute	Jenny Pelletier
Communion Preparer	Judy Smith
Communion Servers	(8:30) John Ophaug (10:00) John Ophaug
Communion Clean Up	TBD
Greeters / Welcome Desk	(8:30) Robert and Sandra Nyvall (10:00) TBD
Coffee Service	John Kerr, Sandra Nyvall, Martin Thorsheim
Nursery	Anne France
Counters	Sue Brockman, Brenda Bultman, David Norman, Mark Ulmer
Ushers	(8:30) Dallas Berg, Barry Becker, Erik Hong, Eric Lund, Rob Nutt, Mark Polzin, Bruce Rickert (10:00) David Rudser, Shelley DeBernardi, Robert Nyvall, Susan Rudser, Mark Rydberg, Terry Rydberg

## **Together for Worship in July**

For the month of July, St. John's will gather together for **one** worship service at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. The Worship & Arts Board has recommended this experiment in response to the many people who say they wish for more opportunities to be together in community no matter what service they usually attend. Sit somewhere new and introduce yourself to someone you might not know. Let July be a month full of welcome for everyone in our community. Fellowship time will follow the service each Sunday in July, with our July 15th Berry Sunday also taking place after the 9:30 worship time.

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# **Announcements**

**Today's Radio Broadcast** is given in honor of Lowell and Barbara Johnson's 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by their children. 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. Dates available: July 9. Video broadcasts can be seen on Northfield Community Television – cable channel 187, Mondays at 7:30 p.m. and Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

## **Weekly Summer Pub Theology**

### **Mondays, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Froggy Bottoms**

This Week's Topic: *Punishment - What's It for?*

What is the appropriate response -- as parents, teachers, or as governments -- to misbehavior? Does punishment work as a strategy to change behavior, or to deter bad behavior? What are the alternatives to a punitive approach for families, schools, churches, or governments? What role does forgiveness and grace play in how we set norms for behavior in community? Pick up a book review at the welcome desk on the subject of how Americans have adopted an especially punitive justice system. Special guest at our discussion will be Doug Casson, Professor of Political Science at St. Olaf who recently spent a semester teaching on this topic. We hope you will add your voice to this time of fellowship and faith conversation. Contact Pastor Jonathan ([jdavis@StJohnsNorthfield.org](mailto:jdavis@StJohnsNorthfield.org)) to add your name to the email list.

**Pastor Pam and Pastor Jonathan invite those who are grieving or suffering loss to join them for dessert and social time this Wednesday, June 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room.**

After losses, many find comfort being in the company of others who have also experienced loss. This is an opportunity for fellowship, to make new friends, and to spend time with our pastors. If you have questions or need a ride to this event, please call the church office at 507-645-4429.

## **Save the Date: Women's Day at Good Earth Village**

**Saturday, June 30, 2018**

**9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Online registration through June 29. The \$25 registration fee includes coffee, snacks, and lunch. Register at [www.goodearthvillage.org/womensday/](http://www.goodearthvillage.org/womensday/). Contact Marilyn Calcutt for transportation at [merilyn.calcutt@gmail.com](mailto:merilyn.calcutt@gmail.com) or 507-645-2814.

## **Northfield Noontime Organ Recitals Begin Wednesday**

**Wednesday, June 27, 12:15-12:45 p.m.**

**Boe Memorial Chapel, St. Olaf College**

Organists: Martha Barth, Andrew Jacob, Matt Tykutki (St. Olaf Organ Students)

## Shared Ministry

*Sign ups for all events are available in the Commons, by calling 507-645-4429, by emailing Christy Hall-Holt at [connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org](mailto:connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org) or Mary Kelvie at [sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org](mailto:sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org), 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: 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 & Clean Up** (1-2 people) Begin by 8:00 a.m. to set up plates and chalices for communion, then refresh/replenish wafers for 10:00 service. Clean up is to hand-wash and dry the plates and chalices. Detailed instructions available in room behind the altar.
- **Greeters** (2-4 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!"
- **Welcome Desk** attendants (2 shifts, 1 person each) during 8:30 a.m. service, and during fellowship time (9:30 - 10:00am). Be a welcoming presence in the Commons. Answer the infrequent phone calls.
- **Coffee Service** (3-4 people) Begin at 8:00a.m. to brew coffee, set up tables in the Commons, and put donut holes in baskets. Detailed instructions provided.

**Our prayers are with all of our campers as they head off to camp...**

Elise Melby, Kerste Melby, Emmett Norrie,  
Wyatt Norrie, Emmet Peterson, Joran Peterson  
Halle Pinc-Sutterfield, Marissa Vatter, Nick Viall

## 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*

Dick Dahlin, Sigrid Gronning, Richard Nau, Margaret O'Leary, Jim Thompson

*Those celebrating the marriage of*

Alyssa Cheadle and Paul Pearson

*Those with ongoing health concerns*

Marybeth Bremer, Mary Gasho, Fred Gonnerman, Elvin Heiberg, Fred Huemoeller, Mary Ingbritsen, Sally Lindell, Becky Ness, Susan Nissen, Margaret O'Leary, Bette Quinnell, Joanne Sommers, Jim Thompson, Laila Burns Hedstrom

*All who are homebound, including*

Lois Rand, Sylvia Solberg, Berta Diem

*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; Randy Stubbs & Family,  
ELCA missionaries in Tanzania; Curtis and Katie Kline, ELCA missionaries in Colombia

*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 Joan Halvorson at 507-645-8445 or one of the pastors at 507-645-4429.

*Prayer Chain Requests*

Contact Mary Cisar at 507-663-1097 or [macisar@gmail.com](mailto:macisar@gmail.com), or contact a pastor.

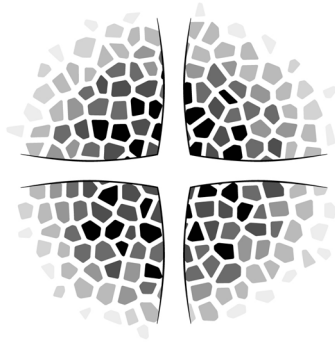
## **Lectionary Readings for Next Week (July 1):**

*Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

**Lamentations 3:22-33 † Psalm 30 † 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 † Mark 5:21-43**

# This Week At-a-Glance

<b>Monday, June 25</b>	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pipe Organ Encounter - Organ Lessons, Sanctuary Dinner Followed by Communion at NRC, Offsite Manna and Mercy Mondays, Fireside Room Pipe Organ Encounter - Organ Lessons, Sanctuary Pub Theology, Froggy Bottoms Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall
<b>Tuesday, June 26</b>	8:00 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.  10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Laura Baker Services Association Learning Fair, St. John's Hall Bone Builders, Fellowship Hall Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Knitters (World Vision: Knit for Kids), Offsite Pipe Organ Encounter - Organ Lessons, Sanctuary Pipe Organ Encounter - Organ Lessons, Sanctuary Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room Church Council, Undercroft
<b>Wed, June 27</b>	10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pipe Organ Encounter - Organ Lessons, Sanctuary Pipe Organ Encounter - Organ Lessons, Sanctuary Gathering for those Experience Loss, Fireside Room
<b>Thursday, June 28</b>	10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Knitters, Room 19 Pipe Organ Encounter - Organ Lessons, Sanctuary Pipe Organ Encounter - Organ Lessons, Sanctuary
<b>Friday, June 29</b>	8:45 a.m.	Bone Builders, Fellowship Hall
<b>Saturday, June 30</b>		No Scheduled Activities - Building Closed
<b>Sunday, July 1</b>	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship Coffee and Fellowship, Commons Fair Trade Sales of Coffee and More, Commons



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