



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 14, 2024 † 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 — Suite in D Major

attr. Leonardo Vinci

- I. Prelude, Allegretto
- II. Largo
- III. Allegretto e Leggiero

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn** — ELW No. 807

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

*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** O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C** Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — Amos 7:7-15

⁷This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said, “See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; ⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.” ¹⁰Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said, ‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.’” ¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.” ¹⁴Then Amos answered Amaziah, “I am no prophet, nor a prophet’s son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

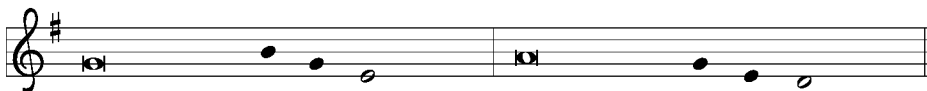
📖 The word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

Psalmody — Psalm 85:8-13

Antiphon: John Bell

*Antiphon: Listen, Lord, not to our words but to our prayer.
You alone understand and care.*



⁸I will listen to what the LORD | God is saying;
for you speak peace to your | faithful people.

⁹**Truly, your salvation is very near to | those who fear you,
that your glory may dwell | in our land.**

¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness have | met together;
righteousness and peace have | kissed each other.

¹¹**Faithfulness shall spring up | from the earth,
and righteousness shall look | down from heaven.**

¹²The LORD will indeed | grant prosperity,
and our land will | yield its increase.

¹³**Righteousness shall go be- | fore the LORD
and shall prepare for | God a pathway. Antiphon**

Second Reading — Ephesians 1:3-14

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

- The word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Gospel — Mark 6:14-29

Pew Bible, page 817

Before the reading:

- The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 6th chapter.
- Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

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

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Hymn of the Day — ACS No. 1050

“Sometimes Our Only Song Is Weeping”

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism — *Front of ELW hymnal, pages 227–231*

*The Triune God proclaims **Logan Dean Kuehn** as a beloved child this morning in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Logan’s parents are Jordan and Levi Kuehn, and his sponsors are Scott and Vanessa Snesrud.*

Presentation

- ☐ People of God, do you promise to support Logan and pray for him in his new life in Christ?
- ☑ We do.

***Profession of Faith** — *Front of ELW hymnal, page 229*

***Baptismal Hymn** — “You Have Put on Christ”

You have put on Christ; in him you have been bap - tized.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Text: International Commission on English in the Liturgy © 1969; Music: Howard Hughes © 1977

(During the hymn, all children are invited to join the baptismal group at the font.)

***Thanksgiving at the Font** — *Front of ELW hymnal, page 230*

Baptism

Welcome

Baptismal Hymn — “You Have Put on Christ”

*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

“Variations on NETTLETON”

Undine Smith Moore

*Offering Hymn — “Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of bless - ing.

Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the

bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -

nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your

pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

*Offering Prayer

L Let us pray.

C Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of 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'r and might,



heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san - na. 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.

*Words of Institution

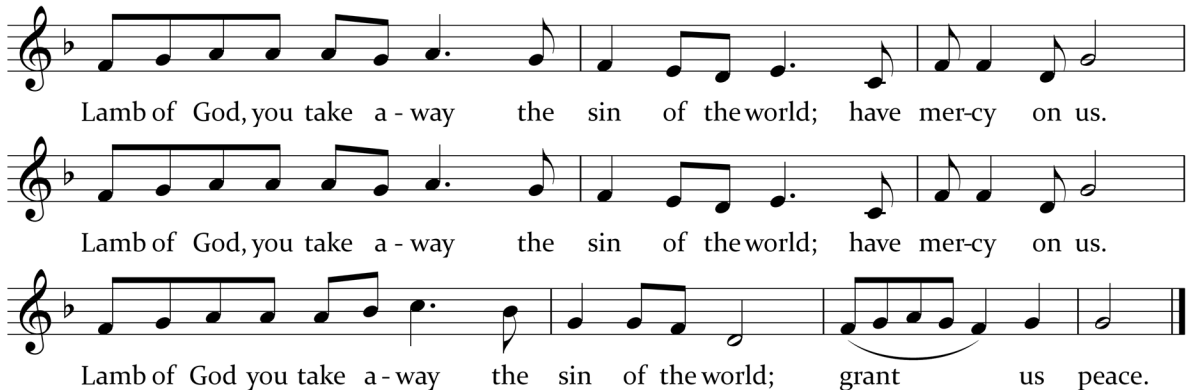
*The Lord's Prayer

**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"



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 — ACS No. 992

"Now That the Daylight Fills the Sky"

Hymn — ELW No. 729

"The Church of Christ, in Every Age"

*Post-Communion Blessing

***Prayer after Communion**

☞ O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

☞ Amen.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

***Blessing**

Response:

☞ Amen.

***Sending Hymn** — ELW No. 548

“Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen”

***Dismissal**

☞ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God!

Postlude — Con moto maestoso from *Sonata No. 3*

Felix Mendelssohn



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| Presiding | Pastor Jonathan Davis and Pastor Pam Fickenscher |
| Preaching | Bishop Regina Hassanally |
| Assisting Minister | Brenda Nelson |
| Organist | Nathan Proctor |
| Cantor | David Sims |
| Communion Service | Georgene Johnson, Judy Smith |
| Greeters | TBD |
| Coffee Service | TBD |
| Refreshments | Georgene Johnson |
| Nursery | Emma Kmoch |
| Counters | Merilyn Calcutt, Janell Martin, Pippa Younger |
| Ushers | Dan Franklin, Jon and Alison Kavanaugh, Doug O'Leary |

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Cover image from *Icon 1*. Used with permission.

Portions of the liturgy are reprinted from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, © 2006 Augsburg Fortress.

Liturgy setting: Holy Communion Setting 3 by Richard W. Hillert. Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress license #14028-LIT. Other liturgical aids are from *Sundays and Seasons* © 2023 Augsburg Fortress.

Music reprinted and podcasted under One License A-708009.

Lectionary Readings for Next Week (July 21):

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 23:1-6 † Psalm 23 † Ephesians 2:11-22 † Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Announcements

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

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in thanksgiving to God for 40 years of marriage by Rebecca Judge and Anthony Becker. 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 645-4429 or office@StJohnsNorthfield.org. Available dates: June 30 and August 18 & 25.

Church Softball League Double Header Tonight at Babcock

7:05 p.m., St. John's vs. River Church / 8:10 p.m., St. John's vs. Emmaus

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

Pub Theology Summer Theme—*Humbler Faith, Bigger God*

Monday, July 15, 6:00–7:30 p.m., The Contented Cow

This summer we are walking through the topics of Sam Wells's new book *Humbler Faith, Bigger God: Finding a Story to Live By*. In this book, Sam Wells tries to speak to the skepticism and doubts of people by addressing ten difficult questions about Christianity. Questions like: *Is Christianity just a fairytale for the young? Can faith and science co-exist? Why is there so much suffering in the world? Is Christianity just one faith path among many?* Each week we will discuss these questions. Reading the book for each week is not a requirement, but it might help. If you would like to purchase this book, please reach out to Content Bookstore. If you would like to be added to our Pub Theology e-mail list, please reach out to Pastor Jonathan Davis at jdavis@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

Fruit Sunday Is July 28 Following Worship in St. John's Hall

We invite all to come and enjoy an array of delicious fruit desserts during our coffee fellowship hour after worship! We'll need several desserts, and we invite you to sign up to bring and share any fruit dessert of your choice—it can be cobbler, crumble, pie, cake, cookies, tarts, bars, pastry, sorbet, etc. It can be homemade or store-bought. We also need a few helpers for set-up, serving, and clean-up—many hands make light work, AND it's fun! To sign up, email Angie Gehring at sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org, or write your name on the paper sign-up on Sunday, or through CCB at https://stjohnsnorthfield.ccbchurch.com/group_detail.php?group_id=232.

Second Summer Choir Invitation on August 18

Our very first Summer Choir in June was great! We had almost 40 people join us that morning and welcomed several new voices to the balcony. We are going to do one more summer choir opportunity on August 18, where you can come sing with your friends or try out a choir for the first time. We will meet at 9:00 in the choir room to rehearse and then sing for the 9:30 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.

Announcements (continued)

Northfield Noontime Organ Recitals

Wednesday, July 17, 12:15–12:45 p.m., Skinner Chapel at Carleton College

Organist: Richard Collman

See the Community bulletin board in the Commons for the full recital schedule.

Out'n About: Conversations with Minnesotans

Monday, July 22, 9:00–11:30 a.m., St. John's Hall

The first speaker of the day will be Deeann Lufkin, one of the founder of CannonBelles Cheese from Kenyon. Deeann is a retired Air Force Reserve Weather Officer and her last assignment was with the Hurricane Hunters. She is now making CannonBelles Cheese and there will be opportunities to taste this cheese at our event. The second speaker is Sally Sudo who was born to Japanese parents in Seattle in 1935 and turned six around the time of the Pearl Harbor bombing. She will share her memories of the forced relocation to Japanese internment in Idaho. Register for this event by emailing outnabout022@gmail.com or calling 507-301-9094. Cost is \$15 and payable the day of the event (cash or check only). The \$15 includes speaker, coffee/treats, and Hideaway Vault bag lunch.

Children and Youth

Registration is now open for St. John's Children & Youth Programs for the 2024–2025 School Year

Check out St. John's website at: stjohnsnorthfield.org/congregational-life/. Click on "Children" or "Youth" to find out more about the programs available. Register by using this QR code or click on "Register" on our website.



SCAN ME

Summer Fun Event for Youth

Coming up for youth from St. John's, Bethel, and St. Peter's:

What: Apple Valley Aquatic Center (rain backup of bowling)

Who: All Youth (Grades 6–12)

When: Wednesday, July 24, 3:00–6:30 p.m.

Where: We'll carpool from Bethel

Register using the QR code.



SCAN ME

Summer Food Shelf Pop-Up Help

Youth and their adults can help stock shelves at the CAC Food Shelf on most Thursdays this summer with Kristin. Each week we need 1–3 folks to help out. Rising 6th graders and older. Sign up using the QR code.



SCAN ME

Contact information for Children and Youth

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

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

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

Ingrid Alberding, Fred Huemoeller, Roberta Morse, Cynthia Neubecker

Those celebrating the baptism of

Logan Dean Kuehn, son of Jordan and Levi Kuehn

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Patricia Halsor

Family of James Koering (brother of Anne Olson)

Those with ongoing health concerns

Georgia Braulick, Jo Chambers, Jo Dahlin, Billi Faillettaz, John Ferguson, Bob Flaten, Paul Klinefelter, Greta Matzner-Gore, Donna James, Carolyn Jennings, Dolores Nelson, Becky Ness, Scott Quinnell, Alice Rickert, Ruth Smestad Anglin, Laila Burns Hedstrom, George Schneider (father of Betsy Gasior)

All who are homebound, including

Carol Johnson, VaLois Mandsager

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

St. John's Stephen Ministers offer care to those in a variety of difficult situations. If you or someone you know would benefit from some time with a Stephen Minister, contact one of the pastors at 645-4429.

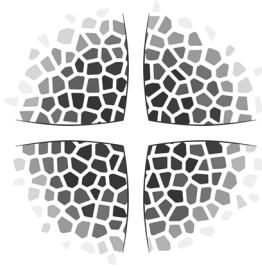
Prayer Chain Requests

Contact Mary Cisar at 507-663-1097 or macisar@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, July 15 | 10:00 a.m. Visitation - Patricia Halsor, Commons 11:00 a.m. Funeral - Patricia Halsor, Sanctuary 12:00 p.m. Lunchtime Text Study via Zoom 6:00 p.m. Pub Theology, The Contented Cow 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall |
| Tuesday, July 16 | 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, St. John's Library and Fireside Room 7:00 p.m. NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), Youth Room Troop 7313 / 9313 Committee, Undercroft |
| Wednesday, July 17 | No Scheduled Activities |
| Thursday, July 18 | 7:45 a.m. Tai Chi Class, Fellowship Hall 9:00 a.m. Quilting & Bandage Rolling, Fellowship Hall 12:00 p.m. Youth CAC Service Project, Offsite 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee via Zoom |
| Friday, July 19 | 9:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall 10:00 a.m. Visitation - Wendy Scholz, Commons 11:00 a.m. Funeral - Wendy Scholz, Sanctuary 7:00 p.m. NAMI Support Group, Fireside Room |
| Saturday, July 20 | No Scheduled Activities - Building Closed |
| Sunday, July 21 | 9:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary 10:45 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, St. John's Hall |



St. John's

ELCA NORTHFIELD MN

500 Third Street West
Northfield, MN 55057
507-645-4429

office@StJohnsNorthfield.org
www.StJohnsNorthfield.org

Pam Fickenscher, *Senior Pastor*
Jonathan Davis, *Associate Pastor*
Green Bouzard, *Jubilate Choir Director*
Julie Brehmer, *Director of Children's Ministry*
Steve Harner, *Facility Manager*
Leah H. Garlie, *Office Manager / Finance Manager*
Angie Gehring, *Shared Ministry Coordinator*
Sally Lindell, *Parish Nurse*
Arielle Loy, *Alleluia Choir Director and Early Childhood Specialist*
Kristin Partlo, *Director of Ministry with Youth & Families*
Nathan Proctor, *Organist and Director of Worship, Music & Arts*
David Sims, *Director of Rejoice Ringers*

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.*