



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 1, 2021 † 9:00 A.M. & 10:30 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 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.
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.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude — Partita on HOLY MANNA

Franklin Ashdown

- I. Descending from Heaven
- II. Manna in the Wind
- III. Pastorale
- IV. Chant
- V. Toccata

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn** — No. 461

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

*Greeting

- P** 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

- P** O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- G** **Amen.**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 Spark Story Bible, page 426; Pew Bible, page 55

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

Antiphon: God rained down manna from heaven; so mortals ate the bread of angels.



²³So God commanded the | clouds above
and opened the | doors of heaven,
²⁴**raining down manna upon | them to eat
and giving them | grain from heaven.**
²⁵So mortals ate the | bread of angels;
God provided for them | food enough.
²⁶**The LORD caused the east wind to blow | in the heavens
and powerfully led out | the south wind,**
²⁷raining down flesh upon | them like dust
and flying birds like the sand | of the seas,
²⁸**letting them fall in the midst | of the camp
and round a- | bout the dwellings.**
²⁹So the people ate and | were well filled,
for God gave them | what they craved. *Antiphon*

Second Reading — Ephesians 4:1-16

Pew Bible, page 951

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

*Gospel Acclamation



***Gospel** — John 6:24-35

Pew Bible, page 867

Before the reading:

☐ The Holy Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter.

☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the reading:

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Jonathan Davis

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 487

“What Feast of Love”

***The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***Prayers of Intercession**

After each petition:

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

***Peace**

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

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

Offering of Our Gifts

Music at the Offering:

“There is a Happy Land”

Wenona Govea

Elinor Niemisto, harp

***Offering Hymn — “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”** OLD HUNDREDTH

The musical score is written for voice and harp. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a harp accompaniment line. The second system also has a vocal line and a harp accompaniment line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

*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, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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.

***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, grant us peace.

Solo — “This Is My Father’s World”

Daniel Burton

“When Peace like a River”

Daniel Burton

***Post-Communion Blessing**

***Prayer after Communion**

ℒ Let us pray.

☩ **Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.
Amen.**

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

***Blessing**

Response:

☩ **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn** — No. 674

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

***Dismissal**

ℒ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude — “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

Jamaican folk tune
arr. J. Wayne Kerr



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Preaching and Presiding	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Assisting Minister	Kristy Harms
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Harp	Elinor Niemisto
Communion Servers	(9:00) Angie Gehring, Christy Hall-Holt, David and Debby Nitz (10:30) Angie Gehring, Christy Hall-Holt
Ushers	(9:00) John Bade, Duane Benson, Rick Hillard, Doug Johnson, Mary Ellen North, Jim Sharrow (10:30) Becker Family, Scott Boehning, Dale Gehring, Monica Holicky, Kent Rommereim

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Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in celebration of John and Barbara Walters' 60th wedding anniversary this month. Sunday services are broadcast on KYMN Radio 1080AM / 95.1FM from 9:00-10:00 a.m. on Sundays. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast (cost is \$160), please contact Leah Garlie at office@StJohnsNorthfield.org or 612-532-6863. Next available dates: October 10, 17, 24 & 31. Video broadcasts can be seen on Northfield Community Television (NTV) -cable channel 187, Mondays at 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays at 12:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m., and Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

For Those Who Will Remain Home

As St. John's returns to having Holy Communion indoors this summer, we are mindful that some people will be continuing to worship with us from a distance for health reasons. If that describes you, we want to make you aware of an option for receiving Holy Communion in conjunction with the assembly on Sundays: Communion sent from the assembly. St. John's will be training individuals to deliver Holy Communion from our Sunday worship to those who must remain home. This is not a pastoral visit, but a way for you to receive Communion even though you are worshipping with us via radio or livestream. If you are interested in receiving the Eucharist this way on a temporary or long-term basis, please contact one of the pastors.

All Creation Sings Ordering Begins Today

In 2020, Augsburg Fortress released a new hymnal titled *All Creation Sings* as a supplement to our current hymnal *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*. You've experienced many of these new hymns in worship over the past year and now it's your chance to help us buy the books for the Sanctuary. Books can be dedicated in memory or in honor of a loved one. Each book is \$15 and you can pick up an order form in the Commons or print one from our website.

Adopt a Garden Sign-ups Continue Today Between Services

"In every walk with nature, one receives far more than he seeks" - John Muir

St. John's is fortunate to have beautiful landscaping. But these beds need maintenance, and your help is needed. The grounds have been divided into 14 beds. The bed you sign up for will be yours to maintain during the growing season. Minimal, regular maintenance is all that's needed; no special landscaping skills are required...if you can pull weeds, you're qualified! There will be a sign-up table in the Commons between services today, or you can contact Gene Bakko at glbakko@gmail.com to sign up or ask questions. Thanks in advance for helping our lovely grounds look their best!- Properties & Grounds Board

Lunchtime Text Study via Zoom

Mondays, Noon–1:00 p.m.

Enjoy a biblical discussion of the Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday.

Announcements (continued)

“Patio Theology” (Pub Theology Summer Edition)

Monday, 6:00–7:30 p.m., TBD

We gather together outside for community and conversation led by the pastors around questions of faith, God, Jesus, the Bible, current events, and culture. The topic and location will be emailed prior to the meeting. If you would like to be on the Patio Theology email list, please contact Pastor Jonathan at jdavis@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

St. John’s Annual Night to Unite Picnic

Tuesday, August 3, 5:00–7:00 p.m., St. John’s Parking Lot

All are invited to our annual Night to Unite picnic. We will have outdoor games for all ages, emergency vehicles to explore, and a picnic with hot dogs, chips, watermelon, and freezies.

Would you like to be part of this event? Call or email Christy Hall-Holt with how you would like to participate at 507-581-1508 or connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

Here are some ways to support Night to Unite:

- Set up tables, chairs, and serving area outside (3:30-4:30 p.m.)
- Put away chairs, tables, and clean up picnic (7:00-7:45 p.m.)

We appreciate any help!

Northfield Noontime Organ Recitals Presents “Beauty in the Midst of Chaos”

Wednesday, August 4, 12:15 p.m., St. John’s Lutheran Church

This is the last concert of this summer series. All are invited to attend. Joanne Rodland will perform at St. John’s.

Family VBS in August

Wednesdays, August 4, 11, 18, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

Your family is invited to this summer’s VBS, “Together Under the Stars” outdoors at Bethel Lutheran Church in Northfield. Feel free to come one, two, or all three nights! Activities are geared toward elementary aged kids. **Programming starts at 6:00 p.m. You are welcome to provide your own picnic dinner and dine with other families starting at 5:30 p.m. (No food will be provided).** To register, contact Julie Brehmer at children@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

Worship and Ecology

The last gatherings for our Worship and Ecology group will take place **August 11 and August 14.** Wednesday, August 11, at Noon we will gather via Zoom with the author of *A Watered Garden*, Dr. Ben Stewart. Saturday, August 14, at 9:00 a.m. we will meet at Prairie Oaks Memorial Gardens for a walk and an introduction to a local green burial project. New participants are welcome to these discussions. Contact Pastor Fickenscher for more information.

Announcements (continued)

School Supply Donations for LWR School Kits

This fall, St. John's will again have an intergenerational forum to pack school kits. Except for last year during the pandemic, up to 220 kits have been packed at this event. Please consider donating supplies. Purchased supplies can be left in the cardboard School Bus in the Commons. School supplies are on sale now through Labor Day. If you prefer, cash donations are also appreciated. Make checks to St. John's WELCA, write school kits on the memo line, and mail to Jennifer Edwins (106 Nevada St., Northfield, 55057), or leave in the church office. Thank you.

- 70-80 sheet spiral notebooks of wide-ruled or college-ruled paper, 8" x 10 1/2"; no loose-leaf notebook paper
- 30 centimeter rulers, or rulers with cm on one side and 12 inches on the other
- pencil sharpeners
- unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- blunt Fiskar scissors (Fiskar brand preferred, as the other ones break easily)
- black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- box of 24 Crayola crayons
- 2 1/2" eraser

Ushers Teams for Worship

Please consider joining a monthly usher team for the first or second service. No prior experience is necessary. A paper sign-up form is hanging on the bulletin board by the church office. If you have any questions contact Christy Hall-Holt at connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org, or call the church office at 507-645-4429.

Volunteers Needed for Communion Prep and Clean-Up

Including Holy Communion in our Sunday worship services will require assistance each weekend with the set-up and clean-up of the individual glass cups for the wine and juice. **We are currently in need of volunteers to help prepare or clean up on Sundays August 29 and September 5 & 12.** Set-up can be accomplished a few minutes before the first service, or ahead of time on Saturday if preferred. Clean-up happens right after the second service, or on Monday if preferred. No prior experience is necessary. We are happy to show you how it's done. Sign up on the sheet hanging on the bulletin board by the church office, or contact Angie Gehring at 507-645-4429 or sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

Fair Trade Coffee, Tea & Chocolates, and Thistle Farms Soaps

Contact dawn.tommerdahl@gmail.com to place your order for contactless delivery.

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

Elvin Heiberg, Paul Peterson, Scott Quinnell, Roger Baske (father of Lauren Baske Davis)

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Bev Sponheim

Those with ongoing health concerns

Pam Groves-Gaggioli, Elvin Heiberg, Mary Ingbritsen, Donna James,
Brad Kmoch, Delores Nelson, Becky Ness, Susan Nissen, John Quam,
Jim Thompson, Howard Thorsheim, Julie Westerback, Laila Burns Hedstrom

All who are homebound, including

Tom Fjelde, Lois Pearson, Gloria Porter

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

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.

Lectionary Readings for Next Week (August 8):

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 19:4-8 † Psalm 34:1-8 † Ephesians 4:25—5:2 † John 6:35, 41-51

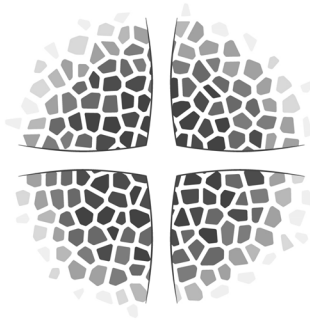
This Week At-a-Glance

*The full calendar of events and building usage can be accessed
on our website at www.StJohnsNorthfield.org.*

Monday, Aug. 2	12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Lunchtime Text Study via Zoom Patio Theology, Location TBD Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, Aug. 3	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room Night to Unite, St. John's Parking Lot NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Health), Youth Room
Wednesday, Aug. 4	12:00 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Noontime Organ Recital, Sanctuary Memorial Service - Clients of Laura Baker, Sanctuary Family VBS, Bethel Lutheran Church
Thursday, Aug. 5	9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Quilters, Fellowship Hall Courageous Conversations Book Group via Zoom
Friday, Aug. 6	9:00 a.m.	S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall
Saturday, Aug. 7	1:00 p.m.	Memorial Reception - Gene Nelson, St. John's Hall
Sunday, Aug. 8	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary Worship, Sanctuary

Church Office Hours

During the summer, the office will be staffed Monday thru Friday from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Phones will be answered until 5:00 p.m. The building will be accessible outside of office hours by appointment or if you have a scheduled meeting. Groups may schedule events in the church building, following current CDC guidelines, which recommends masks for all unvaccinated persons.



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