

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 12, 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 — Six Sonatas

Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach

- I. Allegretto
- VI. Allegro
- III. Allegro
- II. Allegro di molto

Jo Ann Polley, clarinet; Thea Groth, bassoon

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn** — No. 522

“As We Gather at Your Table”

***Confession** — *page 94, front of the hymnal*

*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.

*Kyrie

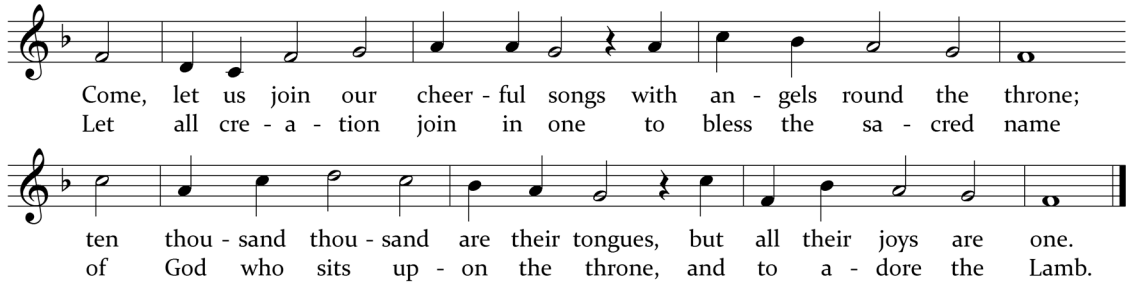
LAND OF REST

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

*Canticle of Praise

NUN DANKET ALL



Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs with an - gels round the throne;
Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name
ten thou - sand thou - sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

*Prayer of the Day

- ☐ Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- ☑ Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Psalmody — Psalm 34:1-8

Antiphon: James E. Moore Jr.

Antiphon: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.



- ¹I will bless the LORD | at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.
- ²I will glory | in the LORD;
let the lowly hear | and rejoice.
- ³Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD;
let us exalt God's | name together.
- ⁴I sought the LORD, who | answered me
and delivered me from | all my terrors.

⁵Look upon the LORD | and be radiant,
and let not your faces | be ashamed.

⁶I called in my affliction, and | the LORD heard me
and saved me from | all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear the LORD
and de- | livers them.

⁸Taste and see that the | LORD is good;
happy are they who take ref- | uge in God! *Antiphon*

Second Reading — Ephesians 4:25—5:2

Pew Bible, page 951

After the reading:

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation**

UNSER HERRSCHER

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

***Gospel** — John 6:35, 41-51

Spark Story Bible, page 426; Pew Bible, page 868

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.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 650

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

*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:

- Ⓛ Lord, in your mercy,
- Ⓞ 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:

Piano Trio in B-flat Major, Op. 11

Ludwig van Beethoven

II. Adagio

*Offering Hymn

OLD HUNDREDTH

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Old Hundredth'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.'

*Offering Prayer

L Let us pray together.

All **Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you present to us not only this bread and this cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Fill us again by these signs of your grace that we may hunger, not for food, but for your justice, and thirst, not for drink, but for your righteousness. In your name we pray. 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.**

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y! Ear - ly in the
morn - ing our song shall rise to thee. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and
might - y! God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

*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"

TWENTY-FOURTH



O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
you suf - fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.
e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Duet — Duo No. 2 for Clarinet and Bassoon, Op. 147

Beethoven

II. Aria

III. Rondo

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

*Post Communion Litany and Benediction

- P** God, you have fed us with your very self.
- A** We say thank you.
- P** You have made us one in the body of Christ.
- A** We say thank you.
- P** You strengthen us to follow you in a hungry world.
- A** We say thank you.
- P** Fed, united, and strengthened to be a blessing, may the Lord fill you with hope, joy, and peace, and bless you now and forever.
- A** Amen.

***Sending Hymn — “O Living Bread from Heaven”**

AURELIA



O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er flows!
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

***Dismissal**

L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Postlude — Suite on Aurelia

Robert Hobby

II. Intermezzo



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Preaching	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Presiding	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Assisting Minister	Scott Swanson
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Clarinet	Jo Ann Polley
Bassoon	Thea Groth
Cantor	Elizabeth Bade
Communion Preparer	Barb Eaves
Communion Server	(8:30) TBD (10:00) TBD
Communion Clean Up	TBD
Greeters / Welcome Desk	Mary Ellen North
Coffee Service	TBD
Nursery	Amy McBroom, Clara Menssen, Lucy Menssen
Counters	Sue Brockman, Brent Mueller, Otto and LaVerne Reitz
Ushers	(8:30) Dan Franklin, Jim Enestvedt, Bob Johnson, Jon McBroom, Cindy McBroom, Brent Mueller, Don Sahling, Dick Werdahl (10:00) Jonathan Norrie, Alex Dell, Terry Dell, Trevor Dell, David Halsor, Dick Kleber, Steve Williams

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Portions of the Liturgy: *ELW Holy Communion, Setting Ten*.

Our Summer Worship Schedule

Summer worship services will be at 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.
with coffee and fellowship between services.

Our fall worship schedule will begin on Sunday, September 16 with worship services at
8:30 & 10:45 a.m. with learning and fellowship between services.

**Please note this is a week later than usual.*

Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given by Mary White. 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: September 2, 16, 23 & 30. 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

Tomorrow Evening's Topic: *Beyond Liberal or Conversation - One Body of Christ*

Throughout our Pub Theology conversations, we have felt this divide between liberal and conservative Christians. Some have even wondered if their opposing voice and political perspective is welcome in the conversation. At the same time, there has been this growing desire to overcome those divides and learn how to come together, despite our differences, as people of faith who long for a better world. So let's talk openly about how the labels of "liberal" and "conservative" are used among our churches and what that rhetoric is doing to us as the body of Christ. Pastor Jonathan has invited Pastor Brent Bielenberg, from Life21 Church, as a guest to join him in this conversation. To ground our conversation, please read the article, "Beyond Liberal and Conservative: A Vision of Unity for a Divided Church" by Shawn Casselberry. You can find it at: <https://www.redletterchristians.org/beyond-liberal-conservative-vision-unity-divided-church/>. Contact Pastor Jonathan (jdavis@StJohnsNorthfield.org) to add your name to the email list.

Rescheduled: Bible Study and Lunch

Wednesday, August 15, 10:00 a.m., St. John's Hall

Join us for a study on Prayer led by Pastor Pam followed by a free lunch. Reservations are needed for lunch - sign up in the Commons. A bus is provided from NRC Parkview West. Questions? Contact Merilyn Calcutt at 507-645-2814.

Northfield Noontime Organ Recitals

Wednesday, August 15, 12:15-12:45 p.m., Skinner Chapel, Carleton College

Organist: Janean Hall and Larry Archbold

Accompany Newcomer Gatherings 2018-2019

St. John's welcomes people new to our community into life together through a series of gatherings called *Accompany*. This year these will start in September, and culminate in the Easter season of 2019. Have you been wanting to learn more about St. John's? Please let Pastor Pam, Pastor Jonathan, or Christy Hall-Holt, Accompany Coordinator, know so that we can get in touch with you about upcoming events. Christy can be reached at 507-645-4429 or by email at connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

Announcements (continued)

Back -2- School Supplies

This year St. John's is adding the local TORCH program to our annual LWR school kit/backpack program. TORCH provides support to at-risk Northfield students attending college. Information and shopping lists can be found in the VOICE, or you can pick up a flyer in the Commons.

Might You Be Our Next Northfield CROP Hunger Walk Champion?

We are looking for a St. John's person or people who would be enthusiastic about working on the Northfield CROP Hunger Walk steering team and acting as a point person for St. John's this year. St. John's participation has historically been integral to the success of the walk and we hope to continue our congregation's support. For more information, please contact Christy Hall-Holt at connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org or by phone at 507-645-4429.

Invitation to St. Dominic Festival: Come celebrate the start of our 150th year in Northfield!

Join us today at the St. Dominic Parish Festival. It will begin after the bilingual 10:30 a.m. mass. There will be food trucks, games, rectory tours, free cash-prize bingo, 'bar crawl' cake walk, and giveaways. We will close at 3:00 p.m. with prayer.

Children and Youth Ministries

Volunteers do make a difference! An ambitious array of children and youth activities means more volunteer opportunities for St. John's members - parents, grandparents, anyone! Please consider volunteering with programming this fall on a Sunday Morning or Wednesday afternoon/evening. We need volunteers to teach and/or help with a variety of activities. Please talk with Julie Brehmer or Angie Gehring at 507-645-4429 or check out the volunteer opportunities in the registration packet. P.S.: High School students - talk with Julie how you can connect with our younger kids on Sundays and Wednesdays!

Online Registration for Children and Youth 2018-2019 School Year!

Check out St. John's website at www.StJohnsNorthfield.org where you will find all the forms needed for registering children and youth for the 2018-2019 school year plus information on how to volunteer for upcoming events and programs. We appreciate registrations turned in by August 26 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 in the hospital or in need of healing

Dick Dahlin, Dick Kleber, Jane Koskovich, Betty Schuette, Eulalie Smestad, Micah Sponheim

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Bob Gelle

Those with ongoing health concerns

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

All who are homebound, including

Sylvia Solberg, Berta Diem, Dorothy Ostlie

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, or contact a pastor.

Lectionary Readings for Next Week (August 19):

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

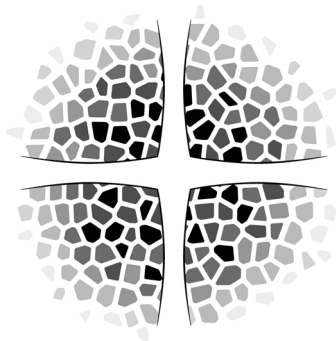
Proverbs 9:1-6 † Psalm 34:9-14 † Ephesians 5:15-20 † John 6:51-58

This Week At-a-Glance

Monday, Aug. 13	8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Quilting, Fellowship Hall Manna and Mercy Mondays, Fireside Room Pub Theology, Froggy Bottom's Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall St. John's Foundation, Fireside Room
Tuesday, Aug. 14	6:00 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 8:30 a.m.	City of Northfield: Primary Elections, St. John's Hall Bone Builders, Fellowship Hall 1000 Cannon Valley Drive Communion, Offsite Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Knitters (World Vision: Knit for Kids), Offsite Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room Mission Partner Team, Fireside Room Church Board Meetings, Fellowship Hall Guy's Night Out, Contented Hall
Wed., Aug. 15	10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Bible Study and Lunch, St. John's Hall All Staff Gathering, Offsite
Thursday, Aug. 16	8:30 a.m.	Quilting, Fellowship Hall
Friday, Aug. 17	8:45 a.m.	Bone Builders, Fellowship Hall
Saturday, Aug. 18		No Scheduled Activities - Building Closed
Sunday, Aug. 19	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Worship Coffee and Fellowship, St. John's Hall Worship / Nursery



**On Wednesday, August 15,
the church office will be closed
from 11:00-1:00 p.m.
and all staff members will be unavailable.**



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