



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 18, 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.*

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.*

We warmly welcome you here.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude — “Minuet for Horns” from *Water Music* G. F. Handel, arr. Josef Stanstny
Paul Beck and David Nitz, trombone

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn** — No. 876 “Let the Whole Creation Cry”

*Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor,
let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.
Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P God of mercy,

**C we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another,
and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and
distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else.
We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors
in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ,
forgiving us † all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross.
For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

C Amen.

*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

☐ O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

☑ Amen

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — Jeremiah 23:23-29

Pew Bible, page 634

After the reading:

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

Psalmody — Psalm 82

Antiphon: Julie Zdenek

*Antiphon: God has told you, O Mortal, what is good; and what the Lord requires of you.
Do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God.*



¹God stands to charge the divine coun- | cil assembled,
giving judgment in the midst | of the gods:

²“How long will you | judge unjustly,
and show favor | to the wicked?

³Save the weak | and the orphan;
defend the hum- | ble and needy;

⁴rescue the weak | and the poor;
deliver them from the power | of the wicked. *Antiphon*

⁵They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander a- | bout in darkness;
all the foundations of the | earth are shaken.

⁶Now I say to you, | ‘You are gods,
and all of you children of | the Most High;

⁷nevertheless, you shall | die like mortals,
and fall like | any prince.’”

⁸Arise, O God, and | rule the earth,
for you shall take all nations | for your own. *Antiphon*

Second Reading — Hebrews 11:29—12:2

Pew Bible, page 978

After the reading:

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

***Gospel Acclamation**

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** — Luke 12:49-56

Pew Bible, page 848

Before the reading:

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12th chapter. **G** Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

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

Sermon

Pastor Pam Fickenscher

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 669

“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”

Installation of Emmanuel Kaghondi, Director of Ministry with Youth & Families

*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:

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Thomas Dorsey

Julie Zdenek, soloist

*Offering Hymn

OLD HUNDREDTH

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The second system also has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all peo-ple here be-low; praise Ho-ly Spir-it ev-er-more; praise Tri-une God, whom we a - dore. A - men."

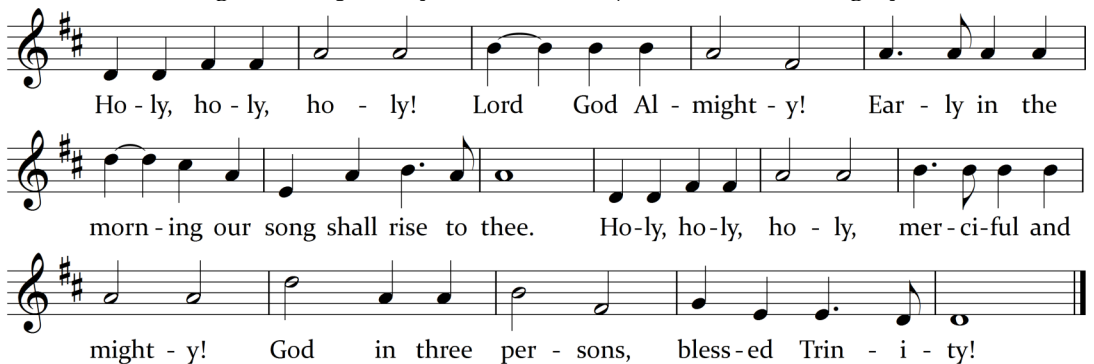
*Offering Prayer

- Ⓐ Let us pray.
- Ⓒ **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

- Ⓐ The Lord be with you.
- Ⓒ **And also with you.**
- Ⓐ Lift up your hearts.
- Ⓒ **We lift them to the Lord.**
- Ⓐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- Ⓒ **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! 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!

*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.

*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-ered 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 — "Laudate Dominum"

W. A. Mozart, arr. Stephen DeCesare

Hymn — No. 484

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

Verses 1-3

Refrain — **all**, Verses — cantor

*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

*Blessing

*Sending Hymn — “Go to the World!”

SINE NOMINE

Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth. Go
Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray; the
Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for
preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
I am with you till the age shall end,
bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men."
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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*Dismissal

ℒ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

℣ Thanks be to God.



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Preaching	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Assisting Minister	Chuck Hellie
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Trombone	Paul Beck and David Nitz
Soloist	Julie Zdenek
Communion Preparer	TBD
Communion Server	Anita Hellie
Communion Cleanup	TBD
Greeters / Welcome Desk	(8:30) Mary Hoff, Erik and Alli Skoglund (10:00) TBD
Coffee Service	TBD
Nursery	Anne France
Counters	Merilyn Calcutt, Chris and Martha Erickson
Ushers	(8:30) Mark Anderson, Jim Bierman, Jerry Bothun, Dave Hagen, Sue Hagen, Nicholas Gonnerman, Patsy Ophaug, John Ophaug (10:00) Bonnie Jean Flom, Ruth Dahl, Susan Immel, Greg Norman, Doug O'Leary, Wally Wegner

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St. John's 150th Anniversary Celebrations

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

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.

Children and Youth Ministries

Online Registration for Children and Youth 2019-2020 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 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.

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!*

Shared Ministry

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

Apple Sunday is August 25!

Search for your favorite apple recipe, whip it up, and bring it to St. John's for our Annual Apple Sunday on August 25. Whether you bring an apple dessert or not, everyone is welcome to enjoy all the delicious creations at 9:30 a.m. in St. John's Hall. If you can bring an apple dessert and/or help with serving, setup/cleanup, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Commons. Questions? Contact: Christy Hall-Holt at connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org or Angie Gehring at sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org or call the church at 507-645-4429.

Summer Sunday Hospitality Ends Sunday, September 1!

During the summer, we open signups for the roles of greeting, coffee service, and communion prep and cleanup to the whole congregation. Yes, that means everyone is invited! ***We still need volunteers for Sunday, September 1.*** Please check out what opportunities are still available to help serve. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the Commons, or sign up online at: <https://stjohnsnorthfield.ccbchurch.com/group/detail.php?group=136>.

Attention September Hospitality Group...

Signups are now available for you to commit to serving in September. Sign-ups are now available on the bulletin board in the Commons. Thank you!

Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in memory of Steve Swanson by his 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: October 13, 20 & 27. 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.

Welcome Emmanuel Kaghondi, St. John's New Director of Ministry with Youth & Families

Emmanuel began his work at St. John's this past week and we are grateful to install him during worship today.

Retirement Reception for Bishop Delzer Today in Faribault

The people of the synod are invited to attend Bishop Delzer's Retirement Reception today at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Faribault. The open house reception will be from 2:00-4:00 p.m. with a celebration and sending program from 4:00-4:30 p.m.

150 pints for 150 years - American Red Cross Blood Drive

Tomorrow, 1:00-7:00 p.m., St. John's Hall

If you donate blood at another site and want to give St John's credit, just let the office know where and how many pints. Questions? Contact Bonnie Peterson at 218-686-8769 or call 1-800-733-2767 or go to RedCrossBlood.org.

Second Annual Women's Bible Study and Salad Lunch

Wednesday, August 21, 10:00 a.m.

Pastor Pam will lead a study on the book of Esther. Bring your Bible, and a salad to share following the study. All women are welcome. If you can't bring a salad, join us for lunch anyway! Questions? Call Merilyn Calcutt at 507-645-2814.

LWR School Kit Donations and TORCH Back to College Gift Bags

LWR school kits are sent to children in third world countries. These supplies often mean the difference between getting an education or not. 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 list in the Commons.

Eighteenth Convention of the Southeastern Minnesota Synodical Women's Organization

Saturday, September 21, 9:15 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church in Owatonna

Green registration forms can be found on the WELCA bulletin board in the Commons or by contacting Maribeth Beck at 507-663-0562.

Announcements (continued)

Summer Pub Theology Book Read

Monday, August 19, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Home of Dave & Julie Zdenek (2121 Ontario Lane)

For the last two Pub Theologies of the summer, we've decided to have a little book club. We will be reading *Dear Church: A Love Letter From a Black Preacher to the Whitest Denomination in the US* by Rev. Lenny Duncan. Please consider purchasing the book at Content, if you can. We will discuss Part 1 (read to page 74) of the book tomorrow. Please bring a beverage of your choice to enjoy and/or to share!

St. John's Pizza Evening at Berne Wood-Fired Pizza

Wednesday, August 28

Zwingli United Church of Christ (23148 County Highway 24, West Concord, MN 55985)

Feeling bad that you missed St. John's Pizza evening at Red Barn Farm? Wipe away those tears - the Adult Ministry & Education Board has another summer pizza opportunity for you. All are invited to Zwingli United Church of Christ for wood-fired pizza and music. Check out the website for more information: www.bernepizza.org. It's a 45 minute drive from St. John's to Zwingli UCC. One carpool will depart from the St. John's parking lot at 4:30 p.m., another at 5:15 p.m. Need a ride? Have an extra spot in your vehicle? Email Marilyn Calcutt or Rob Quanbeck.

Meals on Wheels

St. John's is responsible for distributing Meals on Wheels from Sunday, September 15, through Saturday, October 12. Many volunteers are needed to fill the 98 spots. You can sign up for this important ministry of care for elderly and disabled members of our community on Sundays August 25, or September 1, in the Commons or online thru CCB. For further information contact Christy Hall-Holt at 507-645-4429 or connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org or Kathy Shea at 507-581-6047 or kathleen.louise.shea@gmail.com.

St. John's Seeks a Part-Time Parish Nurse

St. John's seeks a part-time parish nurse to coordinate care for a growing community of seniors, taking part in visitation, needs assessments, and connecting members with community resources. 20 hours/week. BSN required. Parish Nurse certification preferred. Submit resume and cover letter by August 20 to office@StJohnsNorthfield.org. Contact Pastor Pam Fickenscher at 507-645-4429. **Application Deadline: 8/20/2019**

Time to Join in the Fun!

Open Door, a four star parent aware program, located in the lower level of St John's, is accepting enrollment for the 2019-20 school year. Open Door offers Pathway / Parent Aware scholarships as well as scholarships through Open Door Preschool. For further information and to see what makes our program unique, be sure to visit our website: www.opendoorpreschoolnorthfield.org or call our Director, Barb Howe at: 507-645-8532 x1.

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

Fred Gonnerman, Mary White

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Loren Lee

Those with ongoing health concerns

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

All who are homebound, including

Virley Brown, Sigrid Gronning, Elouise Quinnell

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

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 25):

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 58:9b-14 † Psalm 103:1-8 † Hebrews 12:18-29 † Luke 13:10-17

This Week At-a-Glance

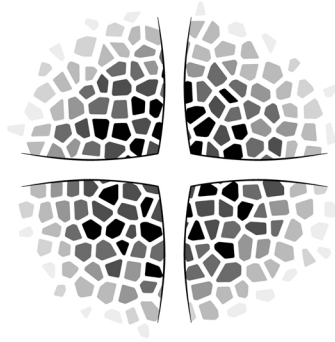
*The calendar below contains only St. John's events.
The full calendar of events and building usage can be accessed
on our website at www.StJohnsNorthfield.org.*

Mon., Aug. 19	12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Manna and Mercy Text Study, Fireside Room American Red Cross Blood Drive, St. John's Hall Pub Theology, Home of Dave and Julie Zdenek
Tue., Aug. 20	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Lower Level Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Stephen Ministers, Fireside Room
Wed., Aug. 21	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Feed My Starving Children (Grades 6-8), Meet at Bethel Bible Study followed by a Potluck, St. John's Hall
Thursday, Aug. 22	7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Executive Committee, Fireside Room Prayer Shawl Knitters, Fireside Room Summer Reading Group, St. John's Library
Friday, Aug. 23	8:45 a.m. 1:30 p.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Lower Level Tai Chi Chih, St. John's Library
Saturday, Aug. 24	9:00 a.m.	Apple Sunday Set Up, St. John's Hall
Sunday, Aug. 25	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary Apple Sunday with 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: September 15th for the October Anniversary Edition

Please send submissions electronically to office@StJohnsNorthfield.org
Thank you.



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