

## SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 9, 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, □ Leader (Assisting Minister), □ 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** — Concerto in E-flat Major, K. 107
I. Allegro

J. C. Bach - W. A. Mozart

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

\*Gathering Hymn — No. 527

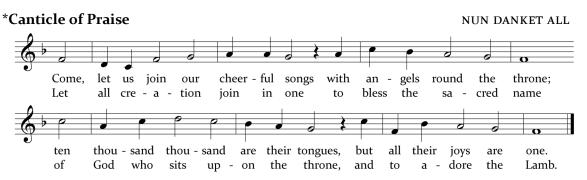
"Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now"

\*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.
- **And also with you.**





#### \*Prayer of the Day

- P Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.
- Amen.

## **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

#### Children's Message

**First Reading** — Isaiah 35:4-7a

Pew Bible, page 578

*After the reading:* 

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

**Psalmody** — Psalm 146 Antiphon: Kevin Vogt, from St. Olaf Morning Prayer Antiphon: As morning breaks I look to you, O God, to be my strength this day. Alleluia.



<sup>1</sup>Hal- | lelujah!

Praise the LORD, | O my soul!

<sup>2</sup>I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.

<sup>3</sup>Put not your | trust in rulers,

in mortals in whom there | is no help.

<sup>4</sup>When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth, and in that day | their thoughts perish. *Antiphon* 

<sup>5</sup>Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help, whose hope is in the | LORD their God;

<sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in them; who keeps promis- | es forever;

<sup>7</sup>who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to | those who hunger.

The LORD sets the | captive free.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD lifts up those who | are bowed down;

the LORD | loves the righteous.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD cares | for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way | of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup>The LORD shall | reign forever,

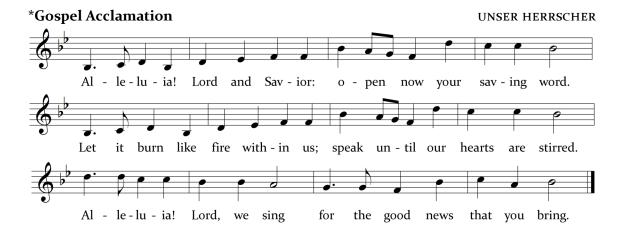
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah! Antiphon

#### **Second Reading** — James 2:1-10, 14-17

Pew Bible, page 981

*After the reading:* 

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



\*Gospel — Mark 7:24-37

Pew Bible, page 819

Before the reading:

- P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter.
- Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

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

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

**Hymn of the Day** — No. 793

"Be Thou My Vision"

\*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,

hear our prayer.

#### \*Peace

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

  You are invited to share God's peace with those are

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

#### Offering of Our Gifts

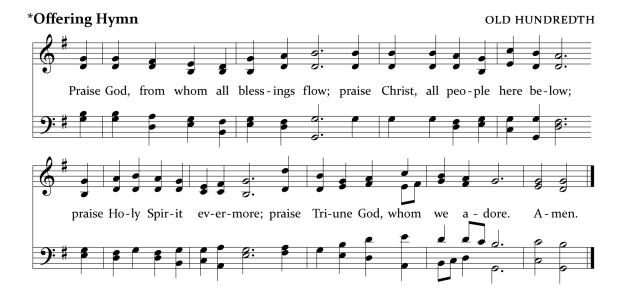
*Music at the Offering:* 

Concerto in E-flat Major, K. 107

J. C. Bach - W. A. Mozart

II. Allegretto

Jo Ann Polley, clarinet



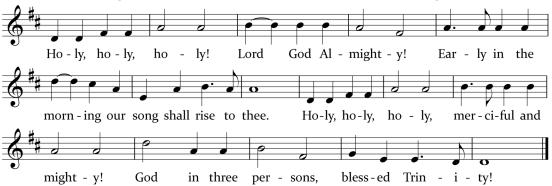
#### \*Offering Prayer

- **L** Let us pray together.
- 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.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **©** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **1** It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### \*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**



**Solo** — *Six Studies in English Folksong* 

Ralph Vaughan Williams

- II. Andante sostenuto
- IV. Lento
- V. Andante tranquillo

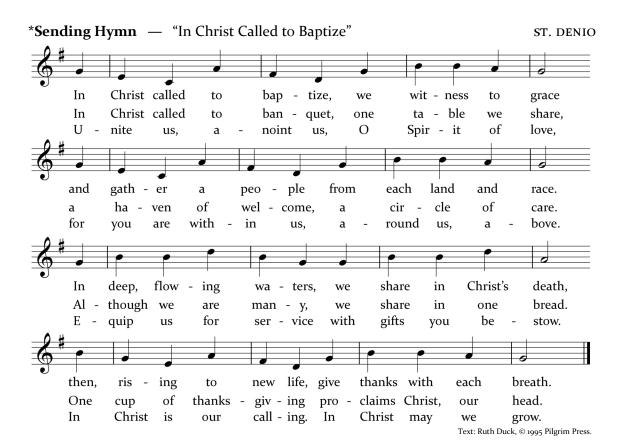
**Hymn** — No. 611

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

### DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

#### \*Post Communion Litany and Benediction

- P God, you have fed us with your very self.
- We say thank you.
- P You have made us one in the body of Christ.
- **⚠** We say thank you.
- P You strengthen us to follow you in a hungry world.
- **⚠** 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. **Amen.**



#### \*Dismissal

- **L** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** — on ST. DENIO

Michael Burkhardt



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

Presiding Pastor Pam Fickenscher

Preaching Pastor Jonathan Davis

Assisting Ministers The Kmoch Family

Organist Nathan Proctor
Clarinet Jo Ann Polley

Communion The Kmoch Family

Communion Clean Up Anne Sovik

Greeters / Welcome Desk David and Genevieve Quarberg, John and Barbara Walters

Coffee Service John and Gordeen Gorder, Jon Kerr, Genevieve Quarberg

Nursery TBD

Counters Gordon Jorgenson, Bill and Jane Rizzo, Mark Ulmer

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.

## **Fall Worship Schedule**

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

Sunday School for preschool - Grade 5 and the Middle School Youth Group also begin next Sunday, September 16, between services at 9:45 a.m.

St. John's Forum will begin the following Sunday, September 23, between services at 9:45 a.m.

## **Announcements**

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in loving memory of Cora (on her birthday) & Elmer Schultz and Ken Struss by Marie Struss and 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. Dates available: September 23 & 30 and October 14, 21 & 28. 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.

## "View From the Tractor Seat - From Death to New Life" Thursday, September 13, 7:00 p.m., St. John's Hall

David Legvold will speak on restorative farming along with St. Olaf students. Open to the public. Refreshments served.

#### St. John's is Searching for a Kitchen and Hospitality Coordinator

This position is 10-15 hours a week, coordinating St. John's hospitality on Sundays, at funerals, and in other special events, with special attention to roles that require kitchen use. This position will replace Mary Kelvie's now that she has moved. Applications are due September 30. A position description may be found at <a href="https://www.StlohnsNorthfield.org">www.StlohnsNorthfield.org</a>.

#### **Coordinator of the Prayer Chain**

The St. John's Prayer Chain is a group of people who agree to be part of an email group that periodically receives notices on behalf of those who would like people to pray for themselves or loved ones. The Prayer Chain is completely separate from notifications for the Sunday service bulletin and is confidential. St. John's is seeking a new volunteer coordinator of the Prayer Chain. The coordinator's name, phone number, and email appear in the bulletin, and s/he is responsible for setting up an email group, receiving periodic calls or emails from the pastors or congregation members, and then passing them along to the rest of the members of the Prayer Chain. If interested in this volunteer opportunity, please contact Pastor Pam or Pastor Jonathan.

#### Meals on Wheels Sign Up on Sundays in the Commons

Signups will be available today and Sundays September 16 & 23 (or until the spots are filled). You can also sign up online (there is link on our website). St. John's has 98 spots to fill for delivering Meals on Wheels from September 16 - October 13.

#### Harvest Bounty - BYOB (bring your own bag)

Sogn Valley Farm will be sharing excess organic produce with St John's again this year. The first donations arrived last week, and will continue through the end of harvest time. Bring a bag with you on Sundays and on Wednesdays (Wednesday Night Meals resume on September 19) to take advantage of the delicious produce. Not sure what about what things might be, or how to use them? Just ask Kristy Harms.

## **Announcements (continued)**

#### **Accompany Sponsor Information Session**

Accompany is St. John's welcoming process for newcomers. "Accompany" them during their welcoming process. Please join us to find out more at an information session. This will be held in the Fireside Room on two different days:

- Sunday, September 9, after second service, from 11:00-11:45 a.m.
- Wednesday, September 19, during the Wednesday Night Meal, from 5:30-6:00 p.m.

For more information please contact one of the Pastors or Christy Hall-Holt at 507-645-4429 or <a href="mailto:connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org">connect@StJohnsNorthfield.org</a>.

## **Children and Youth Ministries**

## Wednesday and Sunday Programming Orientation for Children and Youth and their Parents Wednesday, September 12

Orientation for children and youth participating in Wednesday after school programs (including Catechism), Confirmation, and Youth Groups is on Wednesday, September 12, in St. John's Hall. We invite parents, along with their K-12 graders, to attend. A meal will be provided for parents/children from 5:15-6:00 p.m. with orientation beginning at 6:00 p.m.

#### Open House for Preschool 1 Sunday School

#### Wednesday, September 12, 6:00 p.m., Room 15 (Lower Level)

All preschool children who are 3 by 9-1-18 are invited to attend our Preschool 1 Sunday school class this fall. St. John's Preschool Open House is a great chance to meet the teachers and help your little one feel more comfortable before the first day of Sunday school.

#### Remember to Register your Children and Youth Prior to the Start of Programming!

Online registration is available on St. John's website. 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.

#### Children and Youth Ministries Need You!

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 on a Sunday Morning or Wednesday afternoon/evening. We need volunteers to teach and/or help with a variety of activities. Please contact Julie Brehmer at 507-645-4429 or <a href="mailto:children@StJohnsNorthfield.org">children@StJohnsNorthfield.org</a> 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!

## **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 mourning the loss of a loved one Family of David Diehl (father of Mary Kelvie)

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, Betty Schuette, Eulalie Smestad, Joanne Sommers, Jim Thompson, Laila Burns Hedstrom

All who are homebound, including

Richard and Sigrid Gronning, Bob Noreen

Involved in the mission of the church who have ties to St. John's

The Savior (El Salvador) Lutheran Church in El Cocuy, Colombia;

lambi Lutheran Church in lambi, 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 (September 16):**

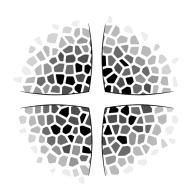
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4-9a † Psalm 116:1-9 † James 3:1-12 † Mark 8:27-38

## **This Week At-a-Glance**

Monday, Sep. 10	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Women of St. John's Executive Board, Undercroft Visitation - Richard Dahlin, Commons Funeral - Richard Dahlin, Sanctuary Girl Scouts Open House, St. John's Hall Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, Sep. 11	8:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	*SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall 1000 Cannon Valley Drive Communion, Offsite Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Knitters (World Vision: Knit for Kids), Offsite
	2:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 8:30 p.m.	Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room Church Board Meetings, St. John's Hall Guy's Night Out, Contented Cow
Wed., Sep. 12	9:00 a.m. 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Lydia Circle, St. John's Hall Children & Youth Programming Meal, St. John's Hall Children & Youth Programming Orientation, St. John's Hall Open House for Preschool 1 Sunday School, Room 15 St. John's Chorale, Room 209
Thursday, Sep. 13	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Knitters, Room 19 "View from the Tractor Seat" with Dave Legvold, St. John's Hall
Friday, Sep. 14	8:45 a.m.	*SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall
Saturday, Sep. 15	10:00 a.m.	Chancel Guild, Fireside Room
Sunday, Sep. 16	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.	Worship / Nursery Coffee and Fellowship, Commons Sunday School (Preschool - Grade 5), Fellowship Hall Middle School Youth Group, Youth Room Worship / Nursery

<sup>\*</sup>Bone Builders is now SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life)





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