

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 7, 2018 † 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 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 — on Earth and all stars

Sally Drennan Mossing

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn — No. 731

"Earth and All Stars!"

Stanza 1 — all
Stanza 2 — treble voices; Refrain — all
Stanza 3 — bass voices; Refrain — all
Stanzas 4 and 5 — all

*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 Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- @ Amen.

Children's Message and Affirmation of Baptism

Response — "Blessed Be God, Who Chose You"

Music: Anne Krentz Organ

Sing two times.



HEARING GOD'S WORD

First Reading — Genesis 2:18-24

Pew Bible, page 2

After the reading:

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

(8:30) **Psalmody** — Psalm 8

Antiphon: I will sing praises with a new song.



O | Lord our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—

²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and children;

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger.

³When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,

 4 what are mere mortals that you should be mind- \mid ful of them,

human beings that you should | care for them? Antiphon

⁵Yet you have made them little less | than divine;

with glory and hon- | or you crown them.

You have made them rule over the works | of your hands; you have put all things un- | der their feet:

⁷all | flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts | of the field,

8the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.

⁹O | Lord our Lord,

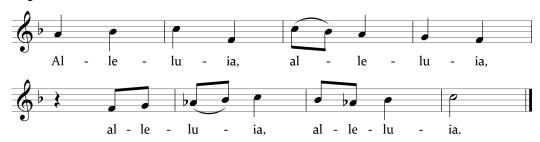
how majestic is your name in | all the earth! Antiphon

(10:45) **Anthem** — "Declare God's Glory"

Michael W. Patch

Jubilate Choir

*Gospel Acclamation



*Gospel — Mark 10:2-16

Spark Story Bible, page 328; Pew Bible, page 822

Before the reading:

- P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter.
- Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

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

Sermon

Pastor Jonathan Davis

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 617

"We Come to You for Healing, Lord"

*The Apostles' Creed — Front of hymnal, page 127

*Prayers of Intercession

After each petition:

- **L** Lord, in your mercy,
- **9** 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 around you.

Offering of Our Gifts

Music at the Offering:

(8:30) "My God, How Wonderful"

arr. Oscar R. Overby

My God, how wonderful Thou art, Thy majesty how bright! How beautiful Thy mercy seat in depths of burning light! How wonderful, how beautiful, the sight of Thee must be, Thine endless wisdom, boundless power, and awful purity! Yet I may love and worship Thee. My God, how wonderful Thou art, Thou everlasting friend; on thee I stay my trusting heart, till faith in vision end.

—Frederick Wm. Faber

St. John's Chorale

(10:45) "Earth and All Stars!"

David Cherwien

*Offering Hymn — "For the Fruit of All Creation"

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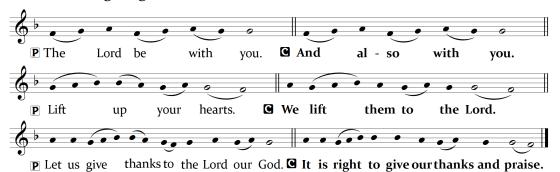
For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation, thanks be to God.
For the tending, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.

*Offering Prayer

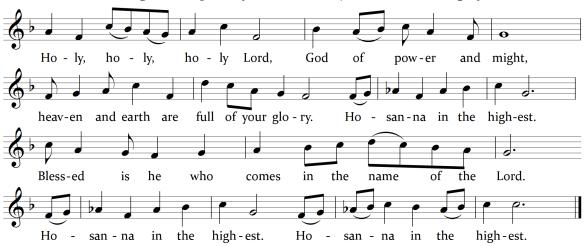
- **L** Let us pray together.
- M God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Great Thanksgiving



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



*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.

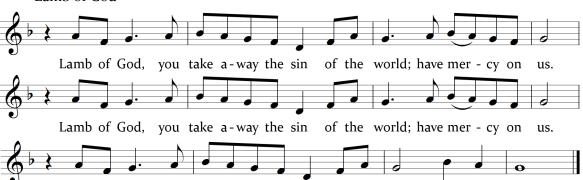
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

All God's children are welcome at the table. Communion will be received standing at the front of the sanctuary; ushers will direct you forward. **Gluten-free wafers** are available in the middle. 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; grant us peace

(8:30) **Anthem** — "God Bestows on Every Sense"

Anothy Giamanco

God bestows on every sense beauty as hope's evidence: signs of what the earth will be just beyond what we can see. Catch a fleeing glimpse of grace in an unexpected place: just a taste, the smallest crumb of the banquet yet to come. Vibrant pictures in our dreams, brushed with crystal color schemes, vanish from a waking mind, leaving just a trace behind. In a burnt and blackened field broken ground begins to yield tiny, fragile sprouts of green: hints of forests yet unseen. God makes all creation new, turning back what people do, building up what we destroy, singing sorrow into joy.

—Adam M.L. Tice

Hymn — No. 466

"In the Singing"

Hymn — No. 656

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

*Post-Communion Blessing

*Prayer after Communion

- **P** Let us pray.
- M Holy God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

*Blessing

Response:

C Amen.

***Sending Hymn** — "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" *stanza* 3

HYMN TO JOY

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!

Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

*Dismissal

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

Postlude — on hymn to joy

Albert L. Travis







SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding and Preaching Pastor Ionathan Davis

> **Assisting Minister** Ionathan Norrie Organist Nathan Proctor

Choirs (8:30) St. John's Chorale

> (10:45) Jubilate Choir, Carol Benson, director Amanda Goldberg, Children's Choir Intern

Soloist (10:45) Emmett Norrie

Marcia Yernberg Anthem Accopanist

> (8:30) Jenny Pelletier Flute

(8:30) John Tracy, Noah Tracy Acolytes

(10:45) Emmett Peterson, Joran Peterson

Communion Servers (8:30) TBD

(10:45) TBD

Craig Schultz Communion Prep

Communion Cleanup Daniel and Inger Hanson Greeters / Welcome Desk (8:30) Van Miller, Chris Weber

(10:45) Nick Viall, Chris Weber

Coffee Service Ruth Smestad Anglin, Trish Babbini, Sue Brockman,

Brian Evenson, Dawn Tommerdahl, Doneen Viall

TBD Nursery

Counters Bill and Char Carlson, Brent Mueller, Ted Peterson

Ushers (8:30) Doug Child, Duane Benson, Len Hoffmann, Rick Hillard,

Doug Johnson, Andy Nelson, Jim Sharrow

(10:45) Brian Boyum, Dale Gehring, Reed Hagberg, John Hanson,

Peggy Hanson, Marion Williams, Sheri Williams

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Liturgy: ELW Holy Communion, Setting Two

Lectionary Readings for Next Week (October 14):

Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 † Psalm 90:12-17 † Hebrews 4:12-16 † Mark 10:17-31

Learning and Fellowship Between Services

This Week (October 7):

Coffee and Fellowship, Commons

Fair Trade Sales of Coffee and More, Commons

Sunday School: Preschool-Grade 5 (9:45-10:30 a.m., Lower Level)

Middle School Youth Group: Grades 6-8 (9:45 a.m., Youth Room)

St. John's Forum: Beginnings (9:45 a.m., St. John's Hall)

St. John's Forum: Manna & Mercy Video Discussion Group (9:45 a.m., Fireside Room)

Accompany Newcomer Gathering (9:45 a.m., Undercroft)

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Toddler Time (9:45 a.m., Room 20)

Today's Learning Topics

Manna and Mercy Video Discussion Group: "Context Gives Meaning" 9:45-10:30 a.m., Fireside Room

We need to honor the original context in which the Biblical account is written in order to properly understand the meaning. To learn the context of a passage we must ask: Who is the author? Who is the audience? What is the date and social setting? And what language is being used?

St. John's Forum: "Beginnings - Creating Christian Liturgical Art" 9:45-10:30 am., Sanctuary

For many years, Judy Swanson designed and created the art and set for the St. Olaf Christmas Festival, in collaboration with Pastor Bruce Benson (St. Olaf's college pastor at the time) and her son, Scott Swanson. Join us as we enjoy pieces of Judy's art collection and hear from these three about how they began the creative process of envisioning a new Christmas Festival each year.

Middle School Youth Group!

Sundays, 9:45-10:30 a.m., Youth Room

Come to the Youth Room for yummy treats, highs and lows, a short video, and discussion of the "Storms of Life."

Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in by Ruth Anna and Van Miller in observance of the 20th anniversary of Teddy Anne Miller's death. 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: October 28 and November 4, 11, 18 & 25. 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.

Accompany Newcomer Gatherings Today, 9:45 a.m., Undercroft

Accompany, St. John's gatherings of welcome for newcomers and renewal for everyone begins today. Have you been wanting to find out more about St. John's? Do you have questions? Please get in touch with Pastors Pam or Jonathan, or Christy Hall-Holt to talk about *Accompany*.

Fall Clean Up Day

Saturday, October 13, 8:00-11:00 a.m. (Rain Date will be October 20)

St. John's is a very active facility in a very active community. It takes a lot to properly care for a facility that is as busy as this one. Sometimes, we need help doing this. We have decided to have a fall clean up day on the exterior of the property. We will be sweeping debris from the curbs in the parking lot, sweeping sidewalks and steps to the entry ways, pulling weeds and raking leaves as needed. All who are able are encouraged to join us. Even if all you can spare is an hour, every little bit makes a large difference. Don't be shy! Come out and enjoy fellowship and the satisfaction of a job well done!

From the Peace & Justice Group...Guarantee Affordable Child Care for Low Income Families

Not only do our sacred texts tell us to care for our children, but they prompt us to think towards the future as well. By guaranteeing affordable care for all children we are also investing in a future where children have the tools to succeed from an early age (80% of brain development happens in the first five years of a child's life!). Asking legislators to provide financial assistance to eligible families for childcare and increase provider rates for the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) cares for Minnesotan children and orients Minnesota towards a prosperous future.

"Waking Up White" Book Study

Wednesdays, October 17-November 14, 6:00-7:00 p.m., Fireside Room

As part of our *Courageous Conversations* theme we are hosting a book study, Debby Irving's "Waking Up White: And Finding Myself in the Story of Race." Books are available at Content Book Store for 10% off if you mention St. John's. Please RSVP to Dawn Tommerdahl at dawn.tommerdahl@gmail.com or Jo Franklin at jo franklin50@yahoo.com.

Announcements (continued)

Save the Date: St. John's Health Fair

Sunday, October 21, Between Services, St. John's Hall

Get information and talk to representatives from:

- Northfield Hospital Women's Health, Rehab Service Hospice/Home Health Care
- SAIL (Stay Active and Independent for Life)
- Advanced Care Planning
- Health Finders
- Advanced funeral planning
- Healthy Community Initiative

- Alzheimer's/Dementia
- Mental Health
- St. John's Stephen Ministers
- Blood pressure Check
- AED Training

Today we celebrate one of our Grace Overflowing benevolence projects. St. John's is partnering with Northfield's TORCH (Tackling Obstacles to Raise College Hopes) program as they extend



support to recent high school graduates who face challenges in getting a college education. Our grant is supporting their new alumni center and the Northfield Community College Collaborative that makes college coursework more accessible to local students. THANK YOU for your generosity to Grace Overflowing, which allows us to continue St. John's long commitment to education in this way.

Children and Youth Ministries

4th and 5th Grade CAT Continues in October Wednesday, October 3, 10 & 24, 4:00-4:45 p.m.

The 4th grade class meets in Room 20 (lower level) and 5th grade in the Undercroft (lower level) from 4:00 – 4:45 p.m. (snack is included). Please contact Julie Brehmer if your child would like to ride the St. John's afterschool bus on Wednesdays to CAT. The bus picks up at Sibley, Bridgewater, Greenvale and at the Middle School for PCCS kids.

Save the Date:

- Wednesday, October 10: Parents of 7th and 8th graders are invited to join their child in confirmation class for a question and answer session with a scientist panel! At least one parent is urged to attend.
- Wednesday, October 24: Confirmation field trip to St. Olaf Natural Lands. We will need a few parent drivers this night. Please let us know if you can help transport youth there!
- Sunday, October 28: Following second service there will be a Summer of 2019 Youth Trips Information Session! Come learn about St. John's upcoming middle school and high school summer youth trips!

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
Tim Byers, Jane Koskovich, Eldora Seitz, Joe Smith

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

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;

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.



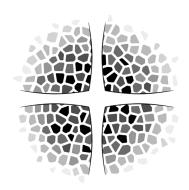
Served from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. in St. John's Hall

Menu for Wednesday, October 10: Chicken Alfredo

All are welcome!

This Week At-a-Glance

Monday, Oct. 8	9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Women of St. John's Executive Board, Undercroft Manna and Mercy Mondays, Fireside Room Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, Oct. 9	8:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:45 p.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 Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room 150 th Anniversary Steering Committee, Fireside Room Church Board Meetings, St. John's Hall
Wed., Oct. 10	9:00 a.m. 3:45 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 4:15 p.m. 4:45 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:15 p.m.	Lydia Circle, St. John's Hall Wednesday After School Programming (Grades K-5) CAT (Grades 4-5), Grade 4 – Room 20 / Grade 5 - Undercroft Alleluia Choir (Grades K-2), Room 205 "DOG" - Discovering Our Gifts (Grade 3), Undercroft Kid's Club (Grades K-2), Fellowship Hall Jubilate Choir (Grades 3-5), Room 209 Homework Café (Grade 5), Resource Room Wednesday Night Meal, St. John's Hall Laudate Choir (Grades 6-12), Room 205 Mentor Training, Fireside Room Confirmation (Grade 6), Undercroft Confirmation (Grades 7-8), Fellowship Hall High School Youth Group (Grades 9-12), Youth Room St. John's Chorale, Room 209
Thursday, Oct. 11	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Knitters, Room 19 Rejoice Ringers , Balcony
Friday, Oct. 12	8:45 a.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall
Saturday, Oct. 13	8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	Properties & Grounds Fall Cleanup Day Confirmation Rehearsal, Pictures, and Breakfast Women's Breakfast Group, Fireside Room
Sunday, Oct. 14	8:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship / Nursery (For Schedule Between Services, please see page 11) Worship / Nursery (Rite of Confirmation)





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