



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 13, 2024 † 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 hymnal (Evangelical Lutheran Worship), or purple hymnal
(All Creation Sings), hymn numbers are at the top of the page in the hymn section,
and page numbers are at the bottom of the page in the front 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 and hymns 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

(8:30) ON LOBE DEN HERREN

Wayne Wold

(10:45) "Grand March"

Michael Helman

Rejoice Ringers

Welcome and Announcements

Stewardship Temple Talk

(10:45) **Anthem** — "Psalm 8"

John Erickson

Alleluia Choir

***Gathering Hymn** — ELW No. 858

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

*Greeting

- ☐ 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

- ☐ Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that,
forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may
follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- ☑ **Amen.**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

⁶Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. ⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! ¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. ¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. ¹²For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. ¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. ¹⁴Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. ¹⁵Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

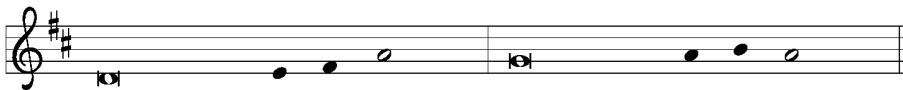
📖 The word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

Psalmody — Psalm 90:12-17

Antiphon: David Sims

Antiphon: So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.



¹²So teach us to num- | ber our days

that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom.

¹³**Return, O LORD; how long | will you tarry?**

Be gracious | to your servants.

¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love | in the morning;

so shall we rejoice and be glad | all our days.

¹⁵**Make us glad as many days as you af- | flicted us**

and as many years as we suf- | fered adversity.

¹⁶Show your ser- | vants your works,

and your splendor | to their children.

¹⁷**May the graciousness of the Lord our God | be upon us;**

prosper the work of our hands; pros- | per our handiwork. Antiphon

*Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Gospel — Mark 10:17-31

Spark Story Bible, page 334

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

²⁸Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — ELW No. 793

“Be Thou My Vision”

(8:30) *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.**

(10:45) **The Sacrament of Holy Baptism** — *Front of ELW hymnal, pages 227–231*

The Triune God proclaims Ian Harper Johnson as a beloved child this morning in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Ian's parents are Jolene and Noah Johnson, and his sponsor is Jolene Johnson.

Presentation

P People of God, do you promise to support Ian
and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

C We do.

***Profession of Faith** — *Front of ELW hymnal, page 229*

***Thanksgiving at the Font** — *Front of ELW hymnal, page 230*

Baptism

Welcome

Baptismal Hymn — ELW No. 785

“When Peace like a River”

Verse 1 and Refrain

*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:

(8:30) "Serve the Lord with Gladness"

Rollo Dilworth

Serve the Lord. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before his presence with singing, glorious singing. Praise the Lord, O praise ye the Lord. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Know that the Lord is God: it is he that hath made us. We are the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and praise: give thanks and bless his name. 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.

– Text based on Psalm 100:2-4

St. John's Chorale

(10:45) "Thy Holy Wings"

arr. Cathy Moglebust

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

**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.**

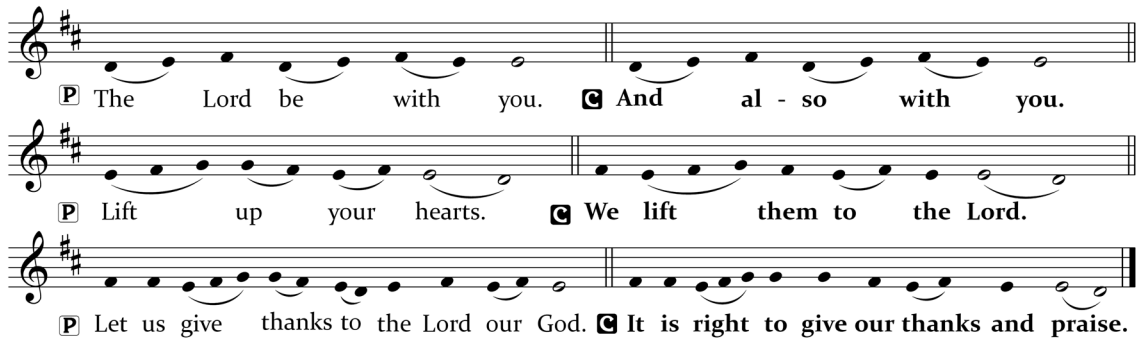
*Offering Prayer

L Let us pray.

C Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Great Thanksgiving

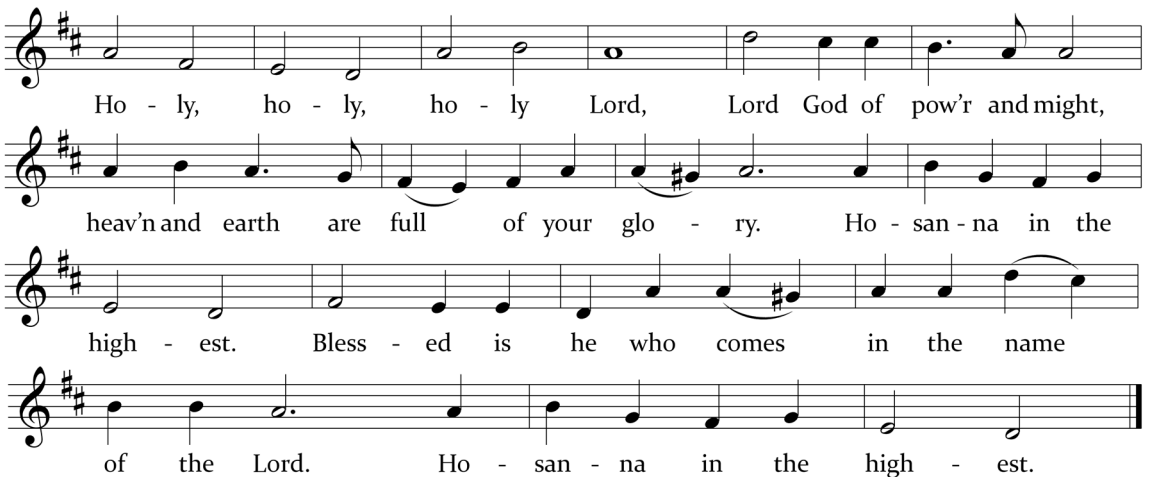


P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

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

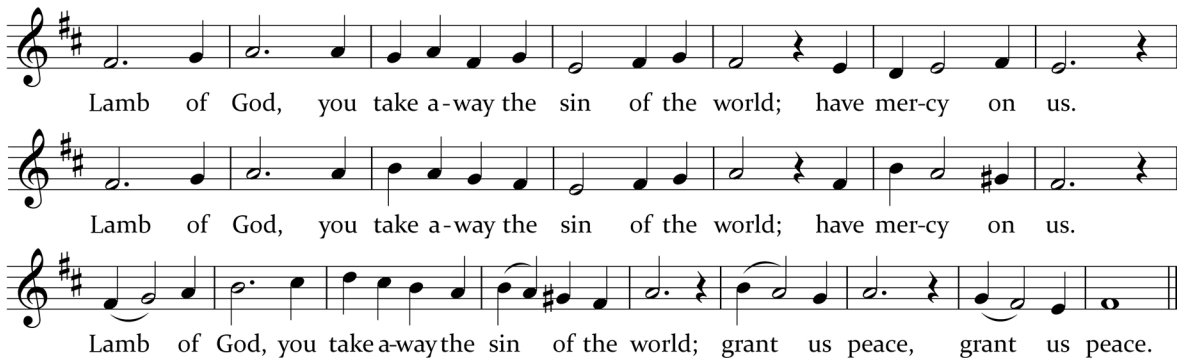
*The Lord's Prayer

**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.

Hymn — ELW No. 712

“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

*Post-Communion Blessing

*Sending of Communion to the Sick and Homebound

***Prayer after Communion**

- Ⓔ Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- ☞ Amen.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD’S WORLD

***Blessing**

Response:

- ☞ Amen.

***Sending Hymn** — ELW No. 678

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

***Dismissal**

- Ⓔ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- ☞ Thanks be to God!

Postlude — on LOBE DEN HERREN

David Cherwien



A NOTE FROM THE STEWARDSHIP BOARD

The sun is low, the leaves turn color and fall is here. Seasons ebb and flow just like stages in life. How do we care for each other in changing or challenging times? We gather, we listen, we pray. We are Stephen Ministers and grief support groups. We are the Faith and Health board and a parish nurse. We are faithful funeral volunteers. We are prayer shawl knitters, bible studies, prayer chains and Circles. We are a community.

We are St. John's

SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Preaching	Rev. Mark Rydberg
Assisting Minister	Kristin Partlo
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Choirs	(8:30) St. John's Chorale (10:45) Alleluia Choir; Arielle Loy, director (10:45) Rejoice Ringers; David Sims, director Heather Wallace, Church Music Intern
Piano	(8:30) Jane Turpin Moore
Greeters	(8:30) TBD (10:45) Sandra Nyvall
Communion Prep	Georgene Johnson, Judy Smith
Communion Cleanup	Craig Schultz
Coffee Service	TBD
Refreshments	Ann Albert
Counters	Vicki Otis, Bill and Jane Rizzo
Ushers	(8:30) Jon and Cindy McBroom, Don Sahling, Dean Schoeb (10:45) Jon Kavanaugh, Wyatt Norrie, Bob Nyvall, Chris Tacheny

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Learning and Fellowship Between Services

This Week (October 13)

Coffee and Fellowship, St. John's Hall
Sunday School: Preschool–Grade 5 (9:45–10:30 a.m., Lower Level)
Toddler Time (9:45–10:30 a.m., Room 14)
Sunday Youth Gathering: Grades 6–12 (9:45–10:30 a.m., Youth Room)
St. John's Forum (9:45–10:30 a.m., St. John's Hall)
Accompany (9:45–10:30 a.m., Undercroft)

Next Week (October 20)

Coffee and Fellowship, St. John's Hall
St. John's Forum (9:45–10:30 a.m., Sanctuary)

Announcements

Additional announcements can be found in the weekly E-Voice.

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in memory of Allan Nelson by Imogene Nelson and family. Sunday services are broadcast on KYMN Radio 1080AM / 95.1FM at 8:30 a.m. on Sundays. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast (cost is \$160), please contact Leah Garlie at 507-645-4429 or office@StJohnsNorthfield.org. Available dates: October 27 and November 3 & 10.

St. John's Forum Series: *Rediscovering Genesis*

Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

This fall, St. John's Forum will return to the old, familiar stories of Genesis that many of us learned in Sunday School—the stories of creation, Adam and Eve, and Noah and the flood. We'll dig into the stories of siblings who can't seem to get along, like Cain and Abel, Jacob and Esau, Rachael and Leah, and Joseph and his brothers. We'll also venture into some stories we rarely hear or read, like the stories of Hagar and Ishmael, and Judah's daughter Tamar. We expect to discover there's more to Genesis than we thought. We hope you'll see how Genesis insists on the invincibility of divine blessing in spite of the curse hanging over Eden and the reality of fractured human relationships, even among God's people. We hope you will join us in opening your Bibles and your minds to the rich meaning of these old, old stories that are too often overlooked. Advance preparation is not necessary, but we hope you'll read along as you are able. In the E-Voice each week, you will find a short focus text to read and a question to ponder to prepare for the upcoming forum. See the schedule for this month below.

- Today: *Noah and the Flood* with Pastor Bruce Benson
- October 20: *Abraham, Sarah, and Hagar* with Professor Jamie Schillinger
- October 27: *Jacob and the Favored Ones* Professor Charles A. Wilson

Pastor Pam Travels to Colombia: October 12–19

Pastor Fickenscher is traveling with an ELCA delegation to visit the Lutheran Church in Colombia. The group includes ELCA members from New England, Nebraska, Illinois, Minnesota, and Pennsylvania and will be visiting a number of ministry sites in Bogota and the Department of Llanos. She will have more to share when she returns!

Out'n About: Conversations with Minnesotans

Monday, October 28, 9:00–11:30 a.m., St. John's Hall

The first speaker of the day will be Natalie Draper from the Northfield Library, who is a member of the Northfield Arts & Culture Commission and she will speak on the Sculptures and Art in Northfield. Our second speaker of the day is Karissa Anderson. She will be talking about the Peruvian Culture as well as sharing information about Textiles in the Peruvian Andes. Register for this event by emailing outnabouto22@gmail.com or calling 507-301-9094. The cost is \$15 and payable the day of the event (cash or check only). The \$15 includes the speakers, coffee/treats, and Hideaway Vault bag lunch.

Announcements (continued)

Annual Fall Church Yard Clean Up

Saturday, October 26, 8:00 a.m.–Noon

The Property & Grounds Board needs help cleaning up the churchyard. We will be happy to assign you a task! Please bring gloves, rakes, brooms, clippers, hedge trimmers, dandelion diggers, leaf blowers, tarps, leaf bags, or baskets. Garden trailers and trucks are needed for transporting yard waste to the Northfield Compost Site.

Two Ushers are Needed for the Third Sunday of the Month Worship at 10:45 a.m.

We are in urgent need of two more ushers to join the team that serves every third Sunday of the month at 10:45 a.m., beginning this November. Ushering is a great way to meet people, be involved with worship, and help the services run smoothly. Should a scheduling conflict arise sometime for an usher, there's a list of subs that can be contacted to assist. Please contact Angie Gehring at sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org if you are interested in serving St. John's in this way, or if you have more questions. We need you!

Reminder of Deadlines

- Sunday Bulletin and E-Voice Announcements: Due by Wednesday at 2:00 p.m.
- *The Voice* (November 2024 Edition): Due by October 15

Children and Youth

Toddler Time

Today, 9:45–10:30 a.m., Room 14

Toddler Time invites children age 2 (by 9-1-2024) to participate in our preschool Sunday school class on a once a month basis, (usually the 2nd Sunday).

Wednesday, October 16 and Sunday, October 20:

We take a break from programming—MEA break!

Trunk or Treat during Sunday School

Sunday, October 27

Last year's Trunk or Treat was so much fun, we're doing it again this year. Kids are invited to dress in costume and trick or treat at a variety of decorated car trunks. Games and activities too! If you are willing to decorate your car's trunk, donate candy or help with games or activities, please send [Julie Brehmer](mailto:Julie.Brehmer@StJohnsNorthfield.org) an email. Thank you!

Contact information for Children and Youth

Julie Brehmer, Director of Children's Ministry at childrens@StJohnsNorthfield.org.

Kristin Partlo, Director of Ministry with Youth & Families at youth@StJohnsNorthfield.org

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

Ingrid Alberding, Barbara Davis, Fred Huemoeller,
Erik Maakestad, Diane Melbye, Genevieve Quarberg

Those celebrating the baptism of

Ian Harper Johnson

Those celebrating the marriage of

Katelyn Canedy and Kameron Holst

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Linda Nerstad (sister of Liz Rowley)

Those with ongoing health concerns

Jo Chambers, Billi Faillettaz, John Ferguson, Bob Flaten, Paul Klinefelter,
Greta Matzner-Gore, Donna James, Carolyn Jennings, Dolores Nelson, Becky Ness,
Cynthia Neubecker, Mary Ellen North, Scott Quinnell, Alice Rickert, Kent Rommereim,
Ruth Smestad Anglin, Laila Burns Hedstrom, George Schneider (father of Betsy Gasior)

All who are homebound, including

VaLois Mandsager, David Halsor

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; Katie Larson, ELCA missionary in Colombia

Prayer Requests / Stephen Ministry Requests

Stephen Ministry Requests

St. John's Stephen Ministers offer care to those in a variety of difficult situations. If you or someone you know would benefit from some time with a Stephen Minister, contact one of the pastors at 645-4429.

Lectionary Readings for Next Week (October 20):

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 53:4-12 † Psalm 91:9-16 † Hebrews 5:1-10 † Mark 10:35-45

This Week At-a-Glance

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

Monday, Oct. 14	12:00 p.m.	Lunchtime Text Study via Zoom
Tuesday, Oct. 15	7:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Class, Fellowship Hall
	9:00 a.m.	S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall
	10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting, Fireside Room
	1:00 p.m.	Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room
	6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministers, St. John's Library and Fireside Room
	7:00 p.m.	NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), Youth Room
	7:30 p.m.	Northfield Condominium Association, St. John's Hall
Wednesday, Oct. 16	6:00 p.m.	Evening Knitters, Fireside Room
	7:00 p.m.	St. John's Chorale, Room 209
Thursday, Oct. 17	7:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Class, Fellowship Hall
	9:00 a.m.	Quilting & Bandage Rolling, Fellowship Hall
	1:30 p.m.	Executive Committee via Zoom
	4:00 p.m.	Courageous Conversation Book Group via Zoom
Friday, Oct. 18	9:00 a.m.	S.A.I.L. Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall
Saturday, Oct. 19		No Scheduled Activities - Building Closed
Sunday, Oct. 20	8:30 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary <i>(For the schedule between services, please see page 11)</i>
	10:45 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary

Wednesday Night

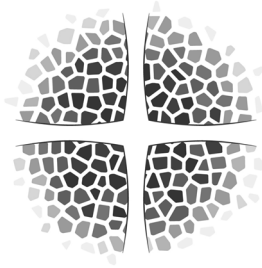


**Served from 5:15–6:15 p.m.
in St. John's Hall**

Menu for Wednesday, October 15:
No Meal - MEA Break

All are welcome!

Wednesday Meals are made and served completely by people donating their time and talents.



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Kristin Partlo, *Director of Ministry with Youth & Families*
Nathan Proctor, *Organist and Director of Worship, Music & Arts*
David Sims, *Director of Rejoice Ringers*

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

*St. John's Lutheran Church stands on the
ancestral homelands of the Wahpekute band of the Dakota nation.
We respect and are grateful for the generations of native people who have cared for this land.*