



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

REFORMATION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 28, 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, **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.*

We warmly welcome you here.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude — ON EIN FESTE BURG

Johann Hanff, Johann C. Kittel, J. C. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn** — No. 504

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

*Confession

☞ Blessed be the ✝ holy Trinity, the one who fashions us,
the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

☞ **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

☞ Source of all life,

☞ **we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free.**

We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others

to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward.

Forgive us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak

**for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole
creation. Amen.**

*Absolution

***Gloria** — No. 410

“All Glory Be to God on High”

Stanza 1

*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

- ☐ Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- ☑ Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message / (10:45) Presentation of Bibles to 3rd Graders

First Reading — Jeremiah 31:7-9

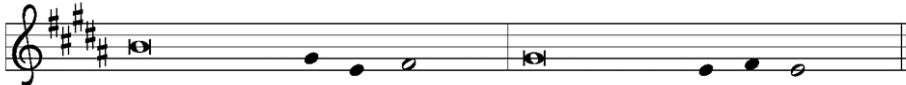
Pew Bible, page 641

After the reading:

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

(8:30) Psalmody — Psalm 126

Antiphon: Then was our mouth filled with laughter, our tongue with shouts of joy!



¹When the LORD restored the for- | tunes of Zion,
then were we like | those who dream.

²**Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with | shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great | things for
them."** *Antiphon*

³The LORD has done great | things for us,
and we are | glad indeed.

⁴**Restore our for- | tunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses | of the Negeb.**

⁵Those who | sowed with tears
will reap with | songs of joy.

⁶**Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,
will come again with joy, shoulder- | ing their sheaves.** *Antiphon*

(10:45) **Anthem** — “God’s Word”

Deborah Holden-Holloway

Jubilate and Laudate Choirs

Second Reading — Hebrews 7:23-28

Pew Bible, page 974

After the reading:

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation**



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***Gospel** — Mark 10:46-52

Spark Story Bible, page 338; Pew Bible, page 823

Before the reading:

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Jonathan Davis

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 722

“O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate”

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

***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) "Our Mission Bold and Blest"

Carolyn Jennings

To be your presence is our mission here, to show compassion's face and list'ning ear, to be your heart of mercy ever near. To be your presence is our mission bold, to feed the poor and shelter homeless cold, to be your hands of justice, right uphold. To be your presence is our mission blest, to speak for all the broken and oppressed, to be your voice of hope, to be your love expressed. We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your people is our call and choice, and in this mission we, the church, rejoice! Alleluia, our call and choice, and in this mission we, the church, rejoice! Alleluia!

-Delores Dufner, OSB

St. John's Chorale

(10:45) "Ayre on 'A Mighty Fortress'"

Michael D. Costello

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

AR HYD Y NOS

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.**

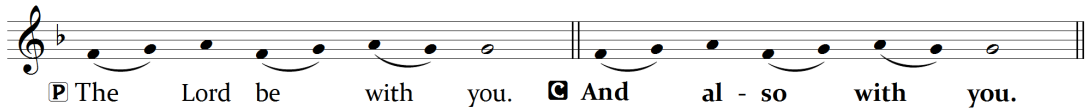
*Offering Prayer

L Let us pray together.

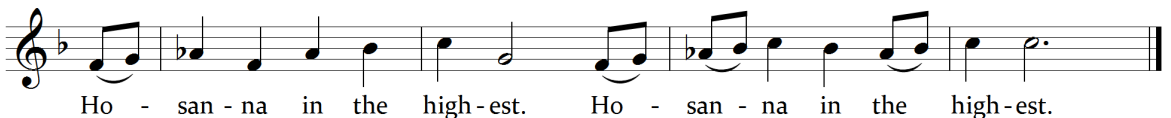
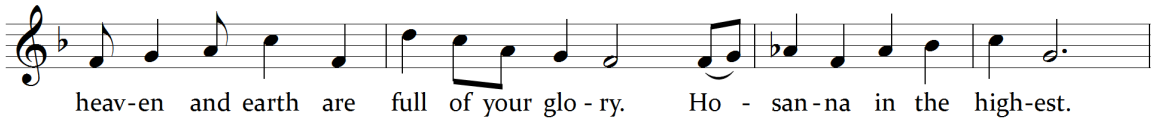
A God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Great Thanksgiving



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



*Eucharistic Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer

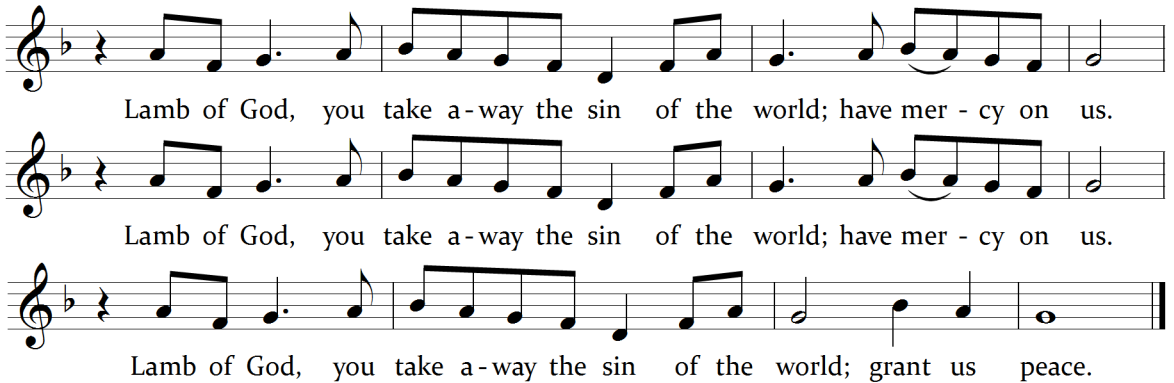
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

*All God's children are welcome at the table. 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.*

On the last Sunday of the month during communion, we offer the practice of anointing with oil on your brow and receive a blessing. If you want, you may ask for a specific prayer blessing from the anointer.

Music during Communion

"Lamb of God"



The image shows three staves of musical notation for the hymn "Lamb of God". Each staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a common time signature (C). The melody is written in a simple, accessible style. The lyrics are printed below each staff.

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.

Hymn — No. 779

"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

Hymn — No. 517

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

*Post-Communion Blessing

***Prayer after Communion**

P Let us pray.

A 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** — No. 546

“To Be Your Presence”

***Dismissal**

L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

A Thanks be to God.

Postlude — “Wir gläuben all an einen Gott” BWV 680

J. S. Bach



SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Preaching	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Assisting Minister	Scott Swanson
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Choirs	(8:30) St. John's Chorale (10:45) Jubilate Choir, Carol Benson, director Amanda Goldberg, Children's Choir Intern Laudate Choir, Nathan Proctor, director
Oboe	(8:30) Julia Porter
Piano	(10:45) Marcia Yernberg
Flute	(10:45) Jenny Pelletier
Acolytes	(8:30) Edy McLaughlin, Will McLaughlin (10:45) Cora McBroom, Dyson McBroom
Communion Servers	(8:30) TBD (10:45) TBD
Healing Prayers	(8:30) Melissa Berthelsen, Christy Hall-Holt (10:45) Mark Rydberg, Jennifer Edwins
Communion Prep	Sue Brockman and Brian Evenson
Communion Cleanup	Kathy Schuurman
Greeters / Welcome Desk	(8:30) Ruth Hansen, Paul Peterson (10:45) Ruth Hansen, Kathy Schuurman
Coffee Service	Ruth Smestad Anglin, Marilyn Boschee, Tamara Jackman, Cindy McBroom, Robin Ness, Martin Thorsheim, Alysa Toov
Nursery	TBD
Counters	Dan Franklin, Jerry Kipp, David Norman, Mark Ulmer
Ushers	(8:30) Dallas Berg, Barry Becker, Erik Hong, Rob Nutt, Mark Polzin, Bruce Ricker (10:45) David Rudser, Robert Nyvall, Susan Rudser, Mark Rydberg, Terry Rydberg, Grit Youngquist

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Liturgy: *ELW Holy Communion, Setting Two*

Third Graders Receiving their Bibles Today Include:

Jonah Brownlee, Tegan DeGrego, Michaela Gummow,
Jacob King, Wyatt Norrie, Trevor Volkert

Learning and Fellowship Between Services

This Week (October 28):

Coffee and Fellowship, 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: Reformation (Root) Beer Pub and Bible Trivia (9:45 a.m., St. John's Hall)

Next Week (November 4):

Coffee and Fellowship, Commons

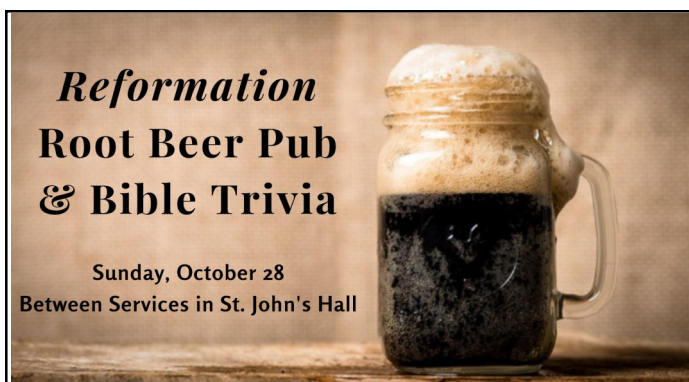
Fair Trade Sales of Coffee and More, Commons

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: Manna and Mercy Large Group Edition (9:45 a.m., St. John's Hall)

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



As we celebrate the 501st anniversary of the Reformation, all adults and high school youth are invited to join us in St. John's Hall for some Reformation root beer and good ol' Bible trivia.

We will join teams and have a friendly competition, with door prizes too!

Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given by Anthony Becker and Rebecca Judge. 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: 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.

Today's Altar Flowers are given in memory of Thelma Nitz Lee by her family. Thelma's 100th birthday would have been on October 17.

Northfield CROP Hunger Walk 2018 - A Community Walk Along the New East River Trail

Today, Registration - 12:30 p.m., Walk - 1:00 p.m., Lions Riverside Park

Northfield CROP Hunger Walk is the only community-wide event to raise awareness for global poverty and hunger issues. All are welcome.

Courageous Conversations...Social Justice, Activism & the Church

Thursday, November 1, 7:00 p.m., St. John's Hall

Guest speaker Dr. Anthony Bateza is a specialist in Martin Luther, moral theology, and Christian ethics. His other scholarly interests include the broader Augustinian tradition, the impact of Luther's thought on 19th century philosophy, and questions of race, identity, and social justice. This event is open to the public. Refreshments will be provided.

Conference on Palestine

Saturday, November 3, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., St. John's Hall

Three leading questions about the Palestine/Israel conflict will be addressed by three speakers with intimate knowledge of the situation. The three questions are:

- How did it all begin?
- What is happening now?
- What hope is there for the future?

Registration and information can be found at info@njpmn.org.

From the Peace & Justice Group...Help Minnesotans Plan for the Future

The bones for an economically just society are laid out for us in our scripture. Modern day barriers to economic justice in Minnesota come in the form of payday lenders, debt from medical or student loans, and low financial literacy. Opportunities to build wealth and to plan for the future must be available for all Minnesotans.

- *Ask candidates: "Which programs will you support that allow Minnesotans to build assets? How will you protect economically vulnerable Minnesotans from falling into crippling debt? In what ways will you help Minnesotans plan for the future?"*

Announcements (continued)

On Wednesday, October 31, we take a break Wednesday programs and the Wednesday meal. Have a Happy Halloween!

“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.

Hurricane Response

You’re encouraged to donate to hurricane disaster response in one of 3 ways:

1. Donate online directly to Lutheran Disaster Response at elca.org; the link is prominent on the home page.
2. Donate through St. John’s by noting “disaster response” on your check or online gift.
3. Thrivent members can donate through Trivent.com; Thrivent is matching up to \$1 million given by its members.

Next Sunday, November 4, is ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

This is the day the church particularly gives thanks for those who have gone before us in faith. St. John’s will remember by name those members who have died in the past year, ringing the bell, and lighting candles in memory of each of them.

Children and Youth Ministries

Summer of 2019 Youth Trip Information Session!

Today following Second Service in St. John’s Hall

Come learn about St. John’s upcoming middle school and high school summer youth trips!

Breakfast and Movie Morning coming Monday, November 5 - NO SCHOOL DAY!

9:00-11:00 a.m., Commons for Breakfast, Movie in St. John’s Theater (PG Rated)

Kids 5th grade and younger are invited to come in their pajamas to movie morning at St. John’s. Come for breakfast and stay to watch a movie. Feel free to bring friends! Children younger than kindergarten need to be accompanied by a parent. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Commons or call Julie at 507-645-4429. Parent help is appreciated. Let Julie know if you can lend a hand.

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 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 Olson, Audrey Pleschcourt, Virley Brown

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.



Open House in Celebration of Solveig Bailey's 100th Birthday

Today


1:00-5:00 p.m.

Home of Solveig Bailey at 1906 Lincoln Street South

Please join family and friends (without gifts or cards)
for coffee and desert in celebration of Solveig Bailey's 100th birthday.

This Week At-a-Glance


Monday, Oct. 29	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Manna and Mercy Mondays, Fireside Room Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, Oct. 30	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room
Wed., Oct. 31	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Baby Care Kits, Fellowship Hall “Waking Up White” Book Study, Fireside Room St. John’s Chorale, Room 209
Thursday, Nov. 1	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Rejoice Ringers , Balcony Courageous Conversations, St. John’s Hall
Friday, Nov. 2	8:45 a.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall
Saturday, Nov. 3	9:00 a.m.	Northfielders for Justice in Palestine / Israel, St. John’s Hall
Sunday, Nov. 4	8:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship / Nursery (All Saints Sunday) <i>(For Schedule Between Services, please see page 11)</i> Worship / Nursery (All Saints Sunday)



Don't forget to
**FALL
BACK!**

Reminder!
Daylight Savings Ends
Next Sunday, November 4
Set clocks back one hour.

Wednesday Night

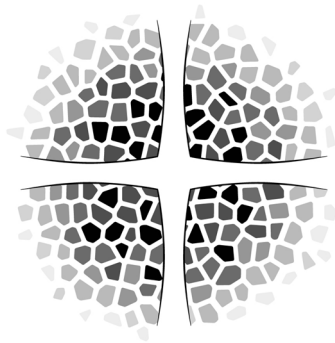


MEALS

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

Menu for Wednesday, October 31:
Halloween - No Meal

All are welcome!



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