



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 10, 2019 † 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.
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.

RITE OF WELCOME

We welcome the following during the Rite of Welcome today.

Kevin Bertelsen

Deb Groenewald

Teri Grosz

Pam Groves-Gaggioli

Monika Holicky

Kent Rommereim

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude — “Marching to Zion”

John Ferguson

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn** — No. 625

“Come, We That Love the Lord”

***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**

- ☐ O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew
and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and
the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy
of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- ☑ **Amen.**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

First Reading — Haggai 1:15b—2:9

Pew Bible, page 768

After the reading:

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

Psalmody — Psalm 145

Antiphon: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised.



- ¹I will exalt you, my | God and king,
and bless your name forev- | er and ever.
- ²**Every day | will I bless you
and praise your name forev- | er and ever.**
- ³Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised!
There is no end | to your greatness.
- ⁴**One generation shall praise your works | to another
and shall de- | clare your power. Antiphon**
- ⁵I will speak of the glorious splendor | of your majesty
and all your | marvelous works.
- ¹⁷**You are righteous in | all your ways
and loving in | all your works.**
- ¹⁸You are near to all who | call upon you,
to all who call up- | on you faithfully.
- ²¹**My mouth shall speak the praise | of the LORD;
let all flesh bless God's holy name forev- | er and ever. Antiphon**

Second Reading — 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Pew Bible, page 961

After the reading:

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

***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** — Luke 20:27-38

Spark Story Bible, page 406; Pew Bible, page 855

Before the reading:

- The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 20th chapter.
- Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the reading:

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

Sermon

Pastor Pam Fickenschier

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of the Day — No. 880

“O God beyond All Praising”

(8:30) **Installation of Sally Lindell, Parish Nurse**

(10:45) **Rite of Welcome**

Introduction of Newcomers

Signing of the Newcomers with the Cross

- Brothers and sisters, you have indicated that you wish to share our life and hope in Christ. We now mark you with the sign of Christ's cross. The whole community welcomes you with love, and stands ready to help you.

(The congregation sings as they are signed with the cross)

Response Hymn — “Holy Spirit, Come to Us”

TAIZÉ VENI SANCTE

Ho-ly Spir-it, come to us. Ho-ly Spir-it, come to us.

- ☐ Receive the sign of the cross on your forehead. It is Christ himself who now strengthens you with this sign of his love. Learn to know and follow him.
- ☐ Receive the sign of the cross on your ears, that you may hear the voice of the Lord.
- ☐ Receive the sign of the cross on your eyes, that you may see the glory of God.
- ☐ Receive the sign of the cross on your lips, that you may respond to the word of God.
- ☐ Receive the sign of the cross over your heart, that Christ may dwell there by faith.
- ☐ Receive the sign of the cross on your shoulders, that you may bear the gentle yoke of Christ.
- ☐ Receive the sign of the cross on your hands, that Christ may be known in the work which you do.
- ☐ Receive the sign of the cross on your feet, that you may walk in the way of Christ.
- ☐ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.
- ☐ **Amen.**

Concluding Prayer

***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) "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

ANTIOCH, arr. Austin Lovelace

I know that my Redeemer lives. Glory, Hallelujah! What comfort this sweet sentence gives. Glory, Hallelujah! He lives to bless you with his love. Glory, Hallelujah! He lives to plead my cause above. Glory, Hallelujah! He lives to crush the fiends of hell. He lives and doth with in me dwell. He lives, all glory to his name. He lives, my Jesus, still the same. I know that my Redeemer lives. What comfort this sweet sentence gives. Shout on, pray on we're gaining ground. The dead's alive and the lost is found.

- Daniel Medley, 1784

St. John's Chorale

(10:45) "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

George Shearing

***Offering Hymn** — "For the Fruit of All Creation" *stanza 3*

AR HYD Y NOS

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.

For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.

**For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.**

***Offering Prayer**

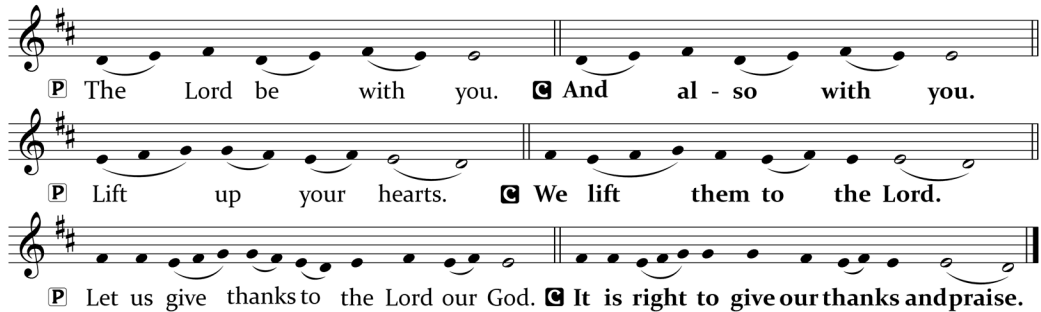
☐ Let us pray.

☑ **God our creator, you give us all we are, all we have, all we bring,
and all we need. Draw us together around your table with all your
saints on earth and in your eternal home. Let us eat and drink your
promise of new life, that we might be your promise to the world,
spoken in Jesus' name.**

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.**

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; 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 — No. 639

“When We Are Living”

Hymn — No. 441

“Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand”

*Post-Communion Blessing

*Prayer after Communion

P Let us pray.

All Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way. Amen.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

*Blessing

Response:

☞ Amen.

*Sending Hymn — No. 619

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives!”

Stanzas 1 and 8

*Dismissal

☞ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

Postlude — on DUKE STREET

David Cherwien



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SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Preaching	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Assisting Minister	Kristin Partlo
Organist	Nathan Proctor
Choir	(8:30) St. John's Chorale
Acolytes	(8:30) Mari Hanson, Elizabeth Tracy (10:45) Sam Froehle, Seth Knutson
Communion Preparers	Paul and Maribeth Beck
Communion Server	(8:30) TBD (10:45) TBD
Communion Cleanup	Paul and Maribeth Beck
Greeters / Welcome Desk	(8:30) Shirley Keltto and David Norman, Peter and Lori Skoglund (10:45) Rose Berthelsen
Coffee and Refreshments	Beverly Johnson, Shirley Keltto and David Norman, Jon Kerr, Charles and Barbara Wilson
Nursery	Erica Anderson
Counters	Merilyn Calcutt, Dan Franklin, Jerry Kipp, Brent Mueller
Ushers	(8:30) Dan Franklin, Jim Enestvedt, Jon McBroom, Cindy McBroom, Brent Mueller, Don Sahling (10:45) Jonathan Norrie, Alex Dell, Terry Dell, Trevor Dell, Fred Huemoeller, Dick Kleber, Steve Williams

Learning and Fellowship Between Services

Today (November 10):

Coffee and Fellowship, Commons
Fair Trade Sales of Coffee and More, Commons
St. John's Health Fair, St. John's Hall
Sunday School: Preschool-Grade 5 (9:45-10:30 a.m., Lower Level)
Sunday Morning Youth Group: Grades 6-12 (9:45 a.m., Youth Room)
Toddler Time (9:45 a.m., Room 20)

Next Week (November 17):

Coffee and Fellowship, Commons
St. John's Forum: The Book of Job (9:45-10:30 a.m., Sanctuary)
Sunday School: Preschool-Grade 5 (9:45-10:30 a.m., Lower Level)
Sunday Morning Youth Group: Grades 6-12 (9:45-10:30 a.m., Youth Room)
Accompany Gathering (9:45-10:30 a.m., Undercroft)

Announcements

Today's Radio Broadcast is given in 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: December 15, 22, 24 & 25. Video broadcasts can be seen on Northfield Community Television – cable channel 180, Mondays at 7:30 p.m. and Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

St. John's Health Fair

Today Between Services in St. John's Hall

Our goal is to promote health and wellbeing with information and encouragement. There will be something for everyone and professional personnel available to answer questions. Here are the opportunities: Northfield Hospital & Clinics Services, Health Finders, Blood Pressure Checks, Advanced Funeral Planning, AED Training, Healthy Community Initiative, Hospice/Home Health Care, Advance Care Planning, Mental Health Services, Stephen Ministers, Acupuncture, SAIL (Stay Active and Independent for Life), Long-Term Care Health Insurance, Opioid Epidemic, Rehab Services, Sleep Study, YMCA, and 50 North.

Veterans Day 2019

In honor of Veterans Day, St. John's is offering the ELCA Book of Prayer for the Armed Services for members and family members in active military service. If you or a family member would like a prayer book, please contact one of the pastors or Leah Garlie.

Northfield Veterans Day Celebration

Today, 1:30 p.m., Northfield Middle School

This year's Veterans Day celebration will honor Women in the Military. Come for refreshments and entertainment at 1:30 p.m., followed by a program at 2 p.m. Our guest speaker is Doug Carr, who will tell us about the North Platte Canteen, a railroad stop for troop trains from 1941 to 1946. All are welcome - kids, too! There will be a card station for designing and signing cards for service members. No tickets are needed - just come! Hosted by Northfield Beyond the Yellow Ribbon.

Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service at All Saints Episcopal

Wednesday, November 27, 6:30 p.m.

St. John's will be gathering in worship together with our Christian brothers and sisters on Thanksgiving Eve. We will gather at All Saints Episcopal Church for worship with hymns, homily, and prayers, and then gather in their fellowship hall for pie and ice cream. The offering for the evening will benefit the Community Action Center of Northfield's food shelf. St. John's is providing the pies for the festivities. Please sign up to contribute to the refreshments. You can sign up in the Commons starting Sunday, November 10, or online thru CCB, or by contacting Angie Gehring at 507-645-4429 or sharedministry@StJohnsNorthfield.org.


Announcements (continued)

Holiday alert!

Christmas is coming but not soon, even though many stores have erected tree forests and filled their aisles with decorations! When it does come, St. John's will again host the community Christmas dinner as in past years. As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, this dinner is St. John's gift to the community and is open to anyone who comes at no cost. Immediately after Thanksgiving on Sunday, December 1, we will be recruiting donations of food and labor from members of the congregation. Many workers are needed for various 1.5-2 hour shifts on December 23 and 25 and donations of food including salads, desserts, and potato bakes are also needed. We welcome your contribution.

November Emphasis: ELCA World Hunger Appeal

According to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, 821 million people around the world in 2018 couldn't access the food they need to live active, healthy lives. Forty million people in our own country do not know where their next meal is coming from. ELCA World Hunger is positioned to address the problem of hunger all around the globe. In this month when we give thanks for the blessings of bountiful food, let us remember those who face the daily challenges of adequate food and water. Your support makes a difference. Please consider a gift to ELCA World Hunger. Use the specially marked envelope in your packet. Make checks payable to St. John's, noting ELCA World Hunger on the memo line. You can also give online thru our website. Thank you.

 The logo features the text "Wednesday Night" in a large, black, handwritten-style font at the top. Below it, the word "MEALS" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font, centered within a white oval. To the left of the oval is a black fork icon, and to the right is a black knife and spoon icon.	<p>Served from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. in St. John's Hall</p> <p>Menu for Wednesday, November 13: <i>Lasagna</i></p> <p>All are welcome!</p>
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Children and Youth Ministry

Upcoming High School Youth Event...High School Lock-in at St. John's!

November 22-23, 8:00 p.m. Friday - 8:00 a.m. Saturday (This time is currently approximate.)

Come for a fun overnight experience that includes games, activities, and a movie in St. John's Theater! Pizza, snacks, and breakfast included! Signups are available in the Commons or on the bulletin board outside the Youth Room or contact Emmanuel Kaghondi at 507-645-4429 or 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

Lester Gunderson, Izzy Anderson Nelson

Those celebrating the birth of

Aksel Loy, son of Arielle and Adam Loy

Those mourning the loss of a loved one

Family of Robert "Bob" Noreen

Those currently serving in the military or deployed

Matthew Knutson, Andrew Peterson

Those with ongoing health concerns

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

All who are homebound, including

Elaine Feroe, Lois Pearson, Gloria Porter

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

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 (November 17):

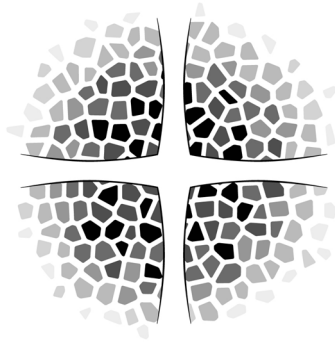
Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Malachi 4:1-2a † Psalm 98 † 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 † Luke 21:5-19

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.*

Monday, Nov. 11	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Manna and Mercy Mondays, Fireside Room Peace & Justice Group, Fireside Room
Tuesday, Nov. 12	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall Knitters (World Vision: Knit for Kids), Offsite Staff Meeting, Fireside Room Worship Planning for Staff, Fireside Room Church Board Meetings, St. John's Hall
Wed., Nov. 13	9:00 a.m. 3:45 p.m. 4:15 p.m. 4:45 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Lydia Circle, St. John's Hall Wednesday After School Programming (Grades K-5) Alleluia Choir (Grades K-2), Room 205 Jubilate Choir (Grades 3-5), Room 209 Wednesday Night Meal, St. John's Hall Laudate Choir (Grades 6-12), Room 205 Creative Arts Group, St. John's Library Confirmation (Grades 6), Undercroft Confirmation (Grades 7-8), Fellowship Hall High School Youth Group (Grades 9-12), Youth Room St. John's Chorale, Room 209
Thursday, Nov. 14	7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Executive Committee, Fireside Room Prayer Shawl Knitters, Room 19 Rejoice Ringers, Balcony
Friday, Nov. 15	8:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life), Fellowship Hall Visitation - Gloria Knutson, Commons Funeral - Gloria Knutson, Sanctuary
Saturday, Nov. 16	9:00 a.m.	3 rd Grade Bible Retreat, St. John's Hall
Sunday, Nov. 17	8:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Worship / Nursery <i>(For Schedule Between Services, please see page 11)</i> Worship / Nursery (Rite of Welcome) Summer Youth Trip Information Meeting, Fireside Room



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