

SERVICE OF THE WORD
8:30 and 10:45 a.m.

THE LORD PREPARES OUR HEARTS

The Prelude, "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. Gordon Young
"Acclamation Fanfare" J. Wayne Kerr

THE LORD GATHERS US TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP

The Gathering Song, "Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death" No. 452
The Confession and Forgiveness Page 211
The Greeting and Kyrie Page 213
The Gloria Page 213
Refrain: Congregation
Verse 1: Pastor
Verses 2 and 3: Congregation
The Prayer of the Day – In Unison
Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.
The Anthem, 8:30 – "This Is My Song" arr. Marty Haugen
10:45 – "Lord, Let Us Listen" Robert Hobby

THE LORD SPEAKS TO US

The First Reading: Isaiah 25:1-9
(8:30) The Psalm: Psalm 23 No. 23
(10:45) The Anthem, "The New 23rd" Ralph Carmichael
The Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9
The Gospel Acclamation Page 216
The Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14
The Pulpit Hymn, "The Lord's My Shepherd" No. 778, vs. 1,2
The Children's Message, "What God Is Like"
The Pulpit Hymn, "The Lord's My Shepherd" No. 778, vs. 3,4,5
The Sermon: "LET US REJOICE!"

THE LORD CALLS FORTH OUR RESPONSE

(8:30) The Hymn of the Day, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" No. 836
(8:30) The Apostles' Creed Page 217
(10:45) The Hymn of the Day, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" No. 836, vs. 1
The Offering, "Day By Day" arr. Craig Courtney
The Cantic of Thanksgiving Page 219
(10:45) The Holy Baptism Page 227
(10:45) The Hymn of the Day, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" No. 836, vs. 2,3
The Concerns of the Church
The Prayers, Lord's Prayer, and Blessing
The Sending Song, "Listen, God Is Calling" No. 513
The Dismissal
The Postlude, "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" arr. Cindy Berry

A CORDIAL WELCOME TO YOU from the entire family of believers in Christ of St. John's Church! May God the Father and the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace by the power of the Holy Spirit. If you are a visitor, you are invited to sign the Welcome Pad and come and worship with us again! If you brought your **CELL PHONE** to church today, please be sure to turn it off as you prepare for worship. **A NURSERY** is available this morning down the southeast hallway in Matthew. If your **CHILD** needs a **BRIEF BREAK** from worship there is a **CRY ROOM** available, with sound, tables, chairs, and visibility into the sanctuary to your right as you exit the sanctuary.

BAPTIZED AT THE 10:45 SERVICE TODAY are Chase Jonathan Blackburn, Emily Sarah Meyer, Holden Norman Gehrke, and Jonah West Provencher. Chase's parents are Kevin and Michele Blackburn. Chase's baptismal sponsors are Megan DeSplinter, Jason and Sandy Hand, and Brandon Wohlrabe. Emily's parents are Patrick and Holly Meyer. Emily's baptismal sponsors are Scott and Dana Dallmann. Holden's parents are Adam and Megan Gehrke. Holden's baptismal sponsors are Michael and Justina Cloutier and Herbie and Sara Nivala. Jonah's parents are Lonnie and Kathryn Provencher. Jonah's baptismal sponsors are Mario Provencher and Victoria West. Congratulations, Chase, Emily, Holden, and Jonah, children of God!

WORSHIP OF OUR LORD JESUS AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH is celebrated in the classic, historic, liturgical format that is practiced around the world and has sustained the faith of the Church for centuries. St. John's Church serves the greater Lakeville area through a membership of 1,568 baptized believers in Christ.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS for today's worship services are available on the small table by the entrance to the sanctuary.

St. John's Notebook

Mission Statement

"We are here to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and to reach out in his love to all people."

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

SUN 10/12	8:30/10:45 a.m.	Worship/Volunteer Sign-ups
	9:40 am	Education Hour 3-year-olds through Adult
	12:30 p.m.	Sever's Corn Maze, Grades 3-5 and Families
	1:30 p.m.	WOW, MN Zoo
	5:00 p.m.	<i>The Reach</i>
	6:00 p.m.	<i>Reflect</i>
MON 10/13	3:00 p.m.	Piano Lessons
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts/Committee Night
TUES 10/14	8:30 a.m.	St. John's Quilters
	10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Scandinavian Baking Workshop
	6:15 p.m.	String Factory
	7:00 p.m.	Technology Committee Meeting
	7:15 p.m.	Let's Dish, Apple Valley
WED 10/15	7:00 p.m.	Women's Book Group
THUR 10/16	3:00-5:00/5:00-7:00 p.m.	Loaves and Fishes, Bloomington
SUN 10/19	8:30/10:45 a.m.	Worship/Volunteer Sign-ups
	5:00 p.m.	<i>The Reach</i>

BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP: Ken and Helen Drangstveit, in honor of their 60th anniversary.

FLOWERS TODAY: Ken and Helen Drangstveit, in honor of their 60th anniversary. Glenn and Ardelle Kirkeby, in honor of Glenn's 80th birthday.

IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO IS ILL, hospitalized, or in need of pastoral care, please call the church office at 952-469-4916. St. John's Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Diane Hammer (952-469-2570/952-239-0806) or Mavis Haaland (952-447-1610). Prayer requests may be included in our public prayers on Sunday morning by calling the church office during the week or by submitting the request to Pastor Helland in writing prior to the service.

HEARING ASSISTANCE devices are available at the sound desk. Please talk to one of St. John's sound team technicians in the sound booth.

St. John's Lutheran Church

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Director of Music: Deborah Helland
Organist: Shirley Peterson
Praise Singers Director: Julie Brott
GRACE Singers Director: Jamye Casperson
Sonshine Singers Director: Barbara Ross

St. John's Support Staff

Administrative Secretary: Jill Fiereck
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PARTICIPANTS IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Deacons: Ashley Koch, Mike Paul
Director of Music: Deborah Helland
Organist: Shirley Peterson
Worship Preparation Hostess: Dianne Hammer
Sonshine Singers Director: Barb Ross
Praise Singers Director: Julie Brott
Drums: Eli Paul
Stewardship Committee Chairperson: Barry Fick
Sound Technician: Dave Casperson
Nursery Attendant: Carrie Flesch
Pew Preparation: Olmscheid family
Bulletin Assembly: Julie Damico

8:30

10:45

Greeters:	Roger Moller	Halvorson family
Usher Teams:	Lloyd Randall	Ross & Walker families
Acolytes:	Zach Emond	Jamie Ross
Choirs:	<i>Chancel Choir</i>	<i>Sonshine Singers</i>
		<i>Praise Singers</i>
Readers:	Sandy Johnson	Barry Fick
Nursery Helpers:	Melissa Bartz	Zach Richter

ST. JOHN’S HYMN OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER is the Tanzanian hymn, “Listen, God Is Calling”. The hymn sounds the 2008-2009 program theme for St. John’s, “Listen, God Is Calling!” The hymn is a traditional Tanzanian hymn and uses the “call and response” form of singing used in Tanzania. The Word of God invites us, offers forgiveness and joy, then we are given the command to share the good news to all!

WOW, WIDOW OR WIDOWERS FELLOWSHIP will meet today, October 12 at the Minnesota Zoo at 1:30 p.m. for the IMAX movie Whales and Dolphins. **Please arrive no later than 1:30 p.m. so that the group tickets may be purchased**, no advance reservations are required. Price of **\$6 may be paid when you arrive**. Movie starts at 1:55 p.m. Concessions are available for purchase.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME for October, November, and December in large and small print, are available at the Information Center in the southwest corner of the narthex. Other devotionals are also available. You are invited to pick up a copy today.

LUTEFISK AND MEATBALLS, THE TRADITION CONTINUES! St. John’s Scandinavian dinner will be Saturday, November 8. Tickets went on sale October 1. Call Linda Moe at 952-469-3718 to reserve your ticket. Serving times are 4:00, 5:30, and 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$16 for adults, \$8 for children 10 and under. If you are able to donate any items for the dinner please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex. Committee members: Dave and Alice Anton, Marv and Linda Moe, Roger and Judy Tews. A portion of the funds from the Scandinavian Dinner will be matched by Thrivent Financial.

SIMPLY GIVING Would you find it more convenient to have your offerings taken directly from your checking or savings account, as you do with many of your other obligations, at no cost to you or the congregation? Thrivent Financial for Lutherans sponsors a program called ***Simply Giving***, which offers this service for St. John’s members who wish to have their offerings transferred electronically to the St. John’s account. For those members who will occasionally not be able to attend a worship service (they are traveling or are out of town on vacation), this program is particularly helpful in keeping up with their intended offering.

Representatives from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will be available to address your questions pertaining to the ***Simply Giving*** program, in between worship services, on **Sundays, October 12, 19 and 26**. You can also contact the church office for a ***Simply Giving*** enrollment form and for more details.



CALLING ALL ADULTS! JOIN US IN THE SANCTUARY AT 9:40

St. John’s Sunday morning programming of Worship and Education includes opportunity for adults to continue their faith development by engaging in adult reflection on the Bible and matters of faith.

TODAY – “Financial Giving as Response to God’s Grace”

Pastor Helland, Barry Fick of St. John’s Stewardship Committee, and Mark Gelle of St. John’s Finance Committee share the second of a two-part presentation. Biblical understanding of financial giving will be discussed along with the manner in which St. John’s Church is one opportunity to practice Biblical stewardship. One question that will be kept in mind will be, “How do gifts given through St. John’s Church make a difference?”

NEXT WEEK – No Education during the Education Minnesota break.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 8:30 - 234; 10:45 - 338.

REFLECT HAS BEGUN BUT IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN US! This recurring Sunday evening opportunity for fellowship and learning is a time for participants to “reflect” upon their past experience of Christian faith in conversation with the Lutheran perspective on the teaching of the Bible and practice of Christian faith. *Reflect* is required of persons desiring membership with St. John’s Church who have not yet been baptized, not yet celebrated their confirmation, or who desire to transfer to St. John’s Church from church membership other than Lutheran. *Reflect* is, however, open to any interested adult. Pastor Helland is leading *Reflect* Sunday evenings at 6:00 in “Mark”. “Mark” is the name of the room at the far east end of the front hallway.

Sessions will be held for four more Sunday evenings, one hour each session, **October 12-November 9**, with one Sunday off next Sunday, October 19 for the MEA weekend. There is no cost. Interested persons are invited to come to “Mark” this evening.

The next opportunity for persons to be received into membership at St. John’s Church will be offered Sunday, November 23.

WOMEN OF ST. JOHN’S WILL HOST A LET’S DISH EVENT this **Tuesday, October 14, 7:15 p.m.** at the Apple Valley Let’s Dish location (next to Panera). Fun, fellowship, and food preparation. You can select four, eight or twelve meal packages. Meal packages can more easily be split between two people. Visit the store website to register at www.letsdish.com use the code: “Act Boldly” or call the church for more information or call Marilou Zachary at 952-432-8107.

TWO WORKSHOPS FOR MAKING OAT CAKES and other Scandinavian baked goods for the Scandinavian dinner will be held this **Tuesday, October 14 and Monday, October 27 at 6:00 p.m.** Everything will be supplied. Please join us for an evening of baking and fellowship. See you there!

THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY EVENING YOUTH PROGRAMMING this Wednesday, October 15 during the Education Minnesota break. In addition, there will be no Sunday morning education next Sunday, October 19.

LOAVES AND FISHES St. John’s will be serving a hot meal this **Thursday, October 16**, at the Creekside Community Center in Bloomington. Would you like to help prepare or serve this meal? Please sign up on the sheet located on the bulletin board near the coat racks.

TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, you are invited to read next Sunday’s readings in advance. The readings will be as follows: First Reading – Isaiah 45:1-7; Second Reading – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Gospel – Matthew 22:15-22.

PARTICIPANTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

Deacons: Ashley Koch, Mike Paul
Worship Preparation Hostess: Kathy Mogan, Lynn Coldren, Niki Stender, Sandy Spitzner
Vocal Soloist: Steve Sandberg
Sound Technician: Dan Nelson
Nursery Attendant: Carrie Flesch
Communion Preparation: Fruechte/Kretzschmar/Smith families
Pew Preparation: Mardi Brettschneider
Bulletin Assembly: Helen Drangstveit

8:30

10:45

Greeters:	Horn family	Sturlaugson family
Usher Teams:	Paul Hammer	Nielsen & Paul families
Acolytes:	Alexandra Elliott	Colin Fritze
Readers:	Karen Paul	Erin Lindquist
Communion Servers:	Julie Kranig	Tess Gustafson
	Mark Peterson	Roger Moller
	Jan Paulsen	
Nursery Helpers:	David Monnens	Megan Sperl