

The Holy Trinity
May 18, 2008

St. John's Lutheran Church
Gregg Helland, pastor

A FESTIVAL OF WORD, SACRAMENT AND SONG

8:30 and 10:45 a.m.

THE LORD PREPARES OUR HEARTS

The Prelude, "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"
"Praise to the Lord"

arr. Donald Busarow
arr. Gordon Young

THE LORD CALLS US TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP

The Entrance Hymn, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
The Anthems

No. 858

"I'm a Believer" arr. Pat Shelby
"Trading My Sorrows"
"Child of the Universe"
"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"
"The Lion and the Lamb"
"Standing in the Light of Love"
"Give Me Oil in My Lamp"
"Praise His Holy Name"
"Shine on Me"

Darrell Evans
Craig Cassils
arr. Ellingboe
Natalie Sleeth
Russell Robinson
arr. Joseph Martin
Keith Hampton
arr. Rollo Dilworth

(A break will be observed in our worship to allow the congregation to offer thanks to our musicians, with applause, for their work in leading worship throughout the past program year.)

THE LORD SPEAKS TO US

The Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20
The Sermon: "GOD'S NAME"

THE LORD CALLS FORTH OUR RESPONSE

The Offering, "Holy, Holy, Holy"
The Concerns of the Church and Prayers

Dan Miller

THE LORD COMES TO US IN BREAD AND CUP

The Words of Institution
The Lord's Prayer and Distribution
Hymns during Distribution

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!" No. 413
"Here I Am, Lord" No. 574
"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" No. 597

The Blessing, Closing Prayer and Benediction
The Sending Song, "Come, Join the Dance of Trinity" No. 412, vs. 1,4
The Dismissal
The Postlude, "When in Our Music God is Glorified" arr. Gordon Young

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.

TODAY IS CHOIR FESTIVAL SUNDAY! Thank you to the *Sonshine Singers, GRACE Singers, Praise Singers, and Chancel Choir* for their gift of music and worship leadership this past program year. Thank you to the parents of youth choir members who have assisted with rehearsal on Wednesday evenings. Thank you to the spouses of choir members who have shared their loved ones on Wednesday evenings, Sunday mornings, and holidays. Soli Dei Gloria—to God be the glory!

TODAY IS ALSO THE FESTIVAL OF THE HOLY TRINITY on the calendar of the Christian Church. On this festival day we celebrate God as he has revealed himself to us in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

PARTICIPANTS FOR WORSHIP TODAY

Deacons: Dan Brown, Dave Casperson
Choirs: *Sonshine Singers, GRACE Singers, Praise Singers, Chancel Choir*
Flute: Shari Howell
Sound Technician: Blair Aakre
Nursery Attendant: Carrie Flesch

	<u>8:30</u>	<u>10:45</u>
Greeters:	Schaller family	Wright family
Usher Teams:	Mark Miller	Ross & Walker families
Crucifers:	Grant McDonald	Abbie Ness
Acolytes:	Megan Carlone	Grant McDonald
Communion:	Danny Barth	Barry Fick
	John & Jeanne Hartwig	Tess Gustafson
	Ron Swagger	Keith & Shari Howell
		Fran Wood
Nursery Helpers:	Abby Heiller	Rachel Zahratka

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 1,578 baptized believers in Christ.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY Shawls are being made for the African Mission trip by the Hellands. Yarns are available in the plastic box labeled African Mission for anyone to knit or crochet. Return the finished shawl and place in wicker basket in the Education/Parish Nurse office. Call Parish Nurse, Margaret Sharkey, at 461-2214 with any questions.

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 5/18	8:30/10:45 a.m. 9:40 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Worship/Communion/Choir Festival Sunday Education Hour 3-year-olds through Adult <i>Reflect</i>
MON 5/19	3:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Piano Lessons Boy Scouts/Tiger Cubs/Council Meeting
TUE 5/20	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	St. John's Quilters Staff Meeting Women of the ELCA Cluster Meeting
WED 5/21	5:00/6:00/7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<i>Affirm</i> Classes Women's Group <i>Ablaze</i> , 6 th Grade Education/Men's Group
THUR 5/22	6:00 p.m.	VBS Workshop
SUN 5/25	8:30/10:00 a.m.	Worship/Blood Pressure Screening

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A MEMBER of St. John's Church to receive the sacrament this morning. If you believe that Jesus died for the sins of the world, and your sins as well, and that he is present here in the bread and the cup to bring the forgiveness of sins and salvation, please come and share the meal with us. The alternate of grape juice is available for those who come forward with one of the bookmarks, available in the welcome pad folder, in hand.

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

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

FLOWERS TODAY: **Mark Peterson**, in memory of my father, Lee, and in celebration of our 23rd wedding anniversary and son, Chad's, 21st birthday. **Kristi and Ben Doherty**, in honor of Patrick's 11th birthday.

BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP: **Dave and Debbie Lang**, in honor of Jordan's 7th and Payton's 4th birthdays.

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GRACE Singers Director: Jamy Casperson
Sonshine Singers Director: Barbara Ross

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Nursery Attendants: Carrie Flesch, Jenna Holm, Set-up: Leon Nyssen



ADULTS JOIN US IN THE SANCTUARY AT 9:40 TODAY:

Pastor Helland will conclude this year's sessions of A.C.E. leading a discussion this festival day on the topic, "The Triune God: Simply Doctrine or Truth for Christian Faith and Life?"

COMMITTEES OF THE CONGREGATION COUNCIL are reminded that your packet of minutes from last Monday's meetings is available for you in your mailbox in the main office this morning. Please stop and pick up your packet and review this month's work at your leisure!

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP, you are invited to read next Sunday's readings in advance. The readings will be as follows: First Reading – Isaiah 49:8-16a; Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Gospel – Matthew 6:24-34.

WHERE IN THE WORLD DID I PUT THAT? If you've asked yourself this question recently, check out the lost and found table located in the narthex, next to where coffee and donuts are being served, this morning.

FROM THE YOUTH DIRECTOR: Hi everyone! Just a few reminders; we still need some youth, grades 6-12, to volunteer at our Vacation Bible School this June. The workshop will be held May 22 at 6:00 p.m. here at St. John's, and VBS itself will be June 9-13. Please sign-up with Kristi because it's going to be very fun and helpful to the younger kids. Also, everyone look out for the "Hands with Purpose" mission week volunteer sign-ups. It is the first time we've ever done this and we are hoping to get support and collaboration from the whole congregation. Thanks for reading and have a blessed week everyone. – Peter "Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it. - Luke 17:33

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FIRST AND SECOND GRADERS AND THEIR TEACHERS! They helped to collect and personalize with special notes **578 children's books!** How amazing to think what can be done in only one month! Some of the books will be donated to the Lewis House in Eagan. Others are already on their way to the children that were affected by Hurricane Katrina. (Thank you to the Market family for their help with delivering!) We even used some of the children's books to update our Sunshine bags for the little ones at St. John's. (Thank you to our third graders and their teachers!) Your help as a congregation with this special project is very much appreciated! God bless you!

PICTURE DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE at the Information Center for those that did not have their picture taken but wish to purchase a directory for \$5.00. Checks may be written out to St. John's Lutheran Church and placed in the offering plate or left at the Information Center.

PARTICIPANTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 25

Deacons: Dan Brown, Dave Casperson
Anthem: Casperson family
Sound Technician: Dan Nelson
Nursery Attendant: Carrie Flesch

8:30

10:00

Greeters:	Von Wald family	Linda Moe
Usher Teams:	Dave Horn	Paul & Nielsen families
Readers:	Mike Sobota	Mary Ann White

SUNDAY MORNING SUMMER SCHEDULE

begins at St John's Church **NEXT** Sunday, May 25, Memorial Day Weekend! The Sunday morning schedule May 25 through the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend, August 31 will be:

8:30 a.m. – WORSHIP

10:00 a.m. – WORSHIP

PLEASE NOTE THAT SECOND SERVICE IS SCHEDULED 45 MINUTES EARLIER DURING THE SUMMER THAN DURING OUR REGULAR PROGRAM YEAR!!! See you in church this summer!

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY WILL BE CELEBRATED Sunday, June 15. If you have interest in membership at St. John's Church you are invited to contact Pastor Helland by phone, 952-469-4916, or by e-mail, pastor@sjlcl.org We would love to have you on board!

THE 2008 ASSEMBLY OF THE SAINT PAUL AREA SYNOD will be held Friday, May 30, 8:45 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 31, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Burnsville. This is the annual meeting of the synod and is attended by delegates of the congregations of the synod. Presently Pastor Helland, Barry Fick, and Ginger Gustafson are planning to attend from St. John's Church. The congregation is currently in need of one more female delegate to attend with the delegation. If you would be willing to attend with the delegation as a female delegate, please call the church office, 952-469-4916 or e-mail Pastor Helland at pastor@sjlcl.org and let him know.