

## Welcome to St. John's

*We give thanks that the Holy Spirit has gathered us together on this day. We pray that in this time of worship you will EXPERIENCE the good news of God's love, so that together we might be sent out into the world to LIVE as DISCIPLES and SHARE the love of Jesus Christ.*

### Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** All the baptized are welcome at God's table. We will be communing at four stations – the ushers will direct you. As you come forward, if you want to receive the wine pick up an empty cup. If you prefer grape juice, pick up one of the pre-filled cups. Upon receiving the bread, move to receive the wine... then place your empty cups in the baskets provided. Gluten-free wafers are available—go to one of the pastors, raise your index finger to indicate a gluten-free wafer is desired. Those not communing are encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

**To enhance your worship experience** several items are available on table near the Usher's Cart at the entrance of the Sanctuary:

- Activity bags and bulletins for children, SPARK Bibles-NEW!
- Large print bulletins
- Hearing enhancement devices (available at the Sound table)
- Large print Bibles

#### Attended Nursery

An attended nursery is available for infants, toddlers and preschoolers. It is located down at the end of the hall to the left of the sanctuary as you enter the building (southwest corner of the building).

#### Restrooms

Are located down the hall to the left of the sanctuary as you enter the building (southwest corner of the building).

**Welcome pads** are at the end of each pew. Please fill them out completely and pass them to those sitting next to you.

#### Offering Envelopes

For your convenience, general offering envelopes are available at the Usher's Cart.

#### Serving Today:

**Ministers**—All the baptized

**Lead Pastor**—Dave Nelson

**Pastor**—Tom Heyd

**Accompanist**—Orma Lou Jacobsma (8:30am and 10:00am)

**Acolytes** (8:30am) Calli Hadler, Alyssa Hadler  
(10:00am) Elizabeth Hoeft, Connor Wall

#### Greeters /Welcome Center

(8:30am) Denny and Sam Harmoning  
(10:00am) Maynard and Betty Nilson

#### Bibles

Members and friends are encouraged to utilize the pew Bibles that are available in worship. If you do not have a Bible, please visit our Welcome Center and St. John's will be happy to give you one.

#### Bulletin Board & Tract Rack

Available on the Bulletin Board / Tract Rack in the hallway (and free for your taking) are the current Good News Newsletter, The Lutheran magazine, and Christ in Our Home devotional booklets.

#### Welcome Center

We invite our first time guests to stop by the Welcome Center near the front doors where each family will receive a gift from our congregation.

**Everyone is welcome to enjoy refreshments with others in the Gathering Area after each service.**

#### Our Website

Information regarding St. John's, a list of upcoming events, and sermon podcasts can be found at [www.stjohns-annandale.org](http://www.stjohns-annandale.org).

**Nursery Attendant**—Elizabeth Kemp

**Altar Guild**—Krista Grossinger, Donna Jacobson

#### Ushers

(8:30am) Howard Rotsolk  
Steve Miller  
Tim Hable  
Al, Val & Makena Gunderson  
(10:00am) Dave and Penny Hogberg  
Ryan and Gavin Wang  
Drew and Donna Jacobson

**Readers** (8:30am) Diane Barkley  
(10:00am) Peggy Bodell

#### Audio/Video Techs

(8:30am) Mike Miller, Jim Peterson  
(10:00am) Diane Nelson, Ethan Nilson

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

### 8:30 Service

Prelude  
Welcome  
Call to Worship  
Confession  
Words of Forgiveness  
Song: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"  
ELW #752 (repeat)  
Greeting  
Song of Praise: "Glory be to Go in Heaven" ELW p. 204  
Prayer of the Day  
First Reading: Genesis 18: 20-32  
(Old Testament p. 10 in pew Bible)  
Second Reading: Colossians 2: 12-14  
(New Testament p. 155 in pew Bible)  
Kids' Time  
Acclamation "Alleluia" ELW p. 205  
Gospel Reading: Luke 11: 1-13  
(New Testament page 55 in pew Bible)  
Sermon Father Mbiche, Matamba, Tanzania  
Song of the Day: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"  
ELW #742  
Prayers of Intercession  
Sharing of the Peace  
Offering  
Offertory "Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am"  
ELW #814 (repeat)  
Offertory Prayer  
Words of Institution  
Lord's Prayer  
The Meal  
Songs During Distribution:  
"O Lamb of God" ELW p. 208  
"Eat This Bread" ELW #472 (sing three times)  
"Day by Day" ELW #790  
Post-Communion Prayer  
Endowment Presentation  
Announcements  
Blessing  
Sending Song: "Lord, Be Glorified" ELW #744  
Dismissal  
P: God call us...  
**C: to experience, live and share the love of Jesus Christ!\***  
P: Go in peace, remember the poor and tend the earth!  
**C: Thanks be to God!**  
\*St. John's Mission Statement  
Next Week's Readings:  
Colossians 3: 1-11; Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14; 2:18-23;  
Psalm 49: 1-12; Psalm 107: 1-9, 43; Luke 12: 13-21

### 10:00 Service

Gathering Songs  
"Oh, Sing to the Lord" ELW #822  
"Bless the Lord"  
Welcome  
Call to Worship  
Confession  
Song of Mercy: "To You All Hearts Are Open" (repeat)  
Words of Forgiveness  
Song: "I Will Sing a Song of Love"  
Greeting  
Song of Praise: "You Are Holy" ELW #525 (repeat)  
Prayer of the Day  
First Reading: Genesis 18: 20-32  
(Old Testament p. 10 in pew Bible)  
Second Reading: Colossians 2: 12-14  
(New Testament p. 155 in pew Bible)  
Kids' Time  
Acclamation "Alleluia Lord, to Whom Shall We Go"  
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"All Are Welcome"  
"Eat This Bread" ELW #472 (sing three times)  
"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" ELW #752  
"Thank You, Lord"  
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## CHURCH AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

**A Warm Welcome! to Father Augustine Mbiche** Father Mbiche is from our partner congregation in Matamba Tanzania. In addition to being one of the priests for the Matamba Parish, he is the priest in charge of St. Monica's Primary School which is located next to the parish. He has grown this school over the past several years to include more grades, buildings and resources for the school and community. St. Monica's is a well-respected school and children from all over Tanzania come here for a quality education. He provides education, room and board and uniforms for orphans and children whose families are unable to provide for their children. Father Mbiche will worship with us today and share more information about the important work he is doing in his community and provide us an update on the projects we support. Please join us in welcoming him!

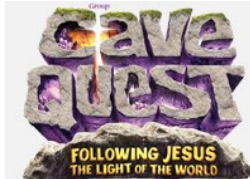


### **VBS Cave Quest-Following Jesus the Light of the World starts next Sunday!**

Begins Sunday, July 31st - Thursday, August 4th from 6-8:30p.

**Registration is now closed - 100 participants enrolled and 40 volunteers!**

The registration fee of \$5/child for VBS may be paid in advance at the church office, or on the first evening of VBS. Please contact our CYF Director, or the VBS Director if you need assistance with this fee.



**Attn: Volunteers** Training meetings this **Sunday, July 24 and July 31 from 9:30-10am in the Library** (must attend one - this replaces the online training). **Still Needed:** 1-2 meal helpers for VBS meals, as well as food and snack donations - please see sign-up sheets in the gathering area. VBS Setup and Decorating: July 30th from 9am-?. Our VBS Meal will be served from 5:30-6p, Aug.1-4, with free-will offering. Thank you!

**Firecracker 5K Results!** This year the Firecracker 5K had 84 registered participants, 27 fabulous volunteers, and profited over \$1000. What a fantastic job! - Thank you to Shannon Diers who coordinated the event and all the volunteers who helped.



**Taco Booth Success!** We had a great turnout for the St. John's Taco Booth at Annandale's 4th of July celebration. Thank you to all our adult and youth volunteers for your work with setup, teardown, and serving tacos! And thank you to all who brought pop and water donations. Total raised for youth ministries was over \$7500.00!



**Dingmann Funeral Care Workshops** will be held on Thursday, August 4th at both 10am and 6pm at the CYF building. Featuring Brian Dingmann and Mike Messina of Dingmann's Funeral Care regarding funeral planning, Pat Zalusky of Laker Insurance Service discussing Medical Assistance and protecting our assets from nursing home costs, along with Pr. Dave Nelson sharing Biblical insights regarding life's final passage. Everyone attending receives a free funeral/cremation planning folder and refreshments. Make your reservation today by contacting Dingmann's at (320) 274-8811.

**"Wills and Planned Giving" Workshops** sponsored by St. John's Endowment Committee are coming on Thursday, August 11th at both 10am and 6pm at the CYF building. These free workshops feature Sheldon or Matt Brown, local attorneys, speaking on the importance of having a will, health directives and power of attorney; along with Amy Bigot, SW MN Synod Regional Gift Planner, presenting information on how your family, your heirs and ministry can all benefit from the gifts you have been blessed with. Please see the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center, or call the church office to sign up.

**Teacher Assistant Position Available** Precious Gifts Preschool is hiring a teacher assistant to begin August 22nd. Hours are M, W & F, 8am-12:30pm, plus fundraisers and meetings from Sept. through May. Job details and applications are available on the website and in the church office.

**Coming in August!** The WELCA Garden Salad & Hotdish Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, August 24th from 11a-1p at St. John's. Watch for more information and bring a friend or neighbor to join us for lunch!



**July Meals on Wheels** St. John's is providing Meals on Wheels volunteers for the month of July - the sign up will be kept at the Welcome Center for these important deliveries!

**God's Work, Our Hands Sunday-Sept. 11** Please mark your calendars for this wonderful service event, this year to be held at True Friends/Camp Courage. This year we will have a short service at 9:00 at the camp for volunteers, and one work session, 9:30-12:00. See details in the August newsletter.

**Attention Midco Customers** please contact the church office with your new email address if you would like to keep receiving the Sunday bulletin/monthly newsletter by email - thank you!

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**July 29** - Book Launch at In Hot Water - celebrating Anna Bauer's "The Lighthouse on the Wall", Friday at 4pm  
**July 31** - Holy Cross Annual Country-Gospel Music Festival, Co Rd 8 in Maple Lake, see bulletin board for details

## This Week's Event Calendar

Today	8:30 am Traditional Worship w/Communion	Friday	
	9:15 am VBS Volunteer Training Mtg.-Library	Saturday	9:00 am VBS Setup 9am - ?
	10:00 am Contemporary Worship w/Communion	Sunday	VBS Sunday
Monday	9:30 am Hands for Hope		Healing Prayers offered at both worship services
Tuesday	8:00 am Men's Bible Study		8:30 am Traditional Worship
	10:00 am Women's Bible Study		9:15 am VBS Volunteer Training Mtg. - Library
Wednesday	10:30 am Staff Meeting		10:00 am Contemporary Worship
	7:30 pm AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.		6:00 pm Vacation Bible School Begins - 6p-8:30p
Thursday	1:00 pm Writing Memories Group		

### Congregational Care Ministry

#### Condolences

- **Family and Friends of Ella Johnson**—including Kay Brevik & Janet Loesch, daughters; at her death on July 15th
- Dave (Mary) Holmgren and family** - at the death of Dave's brother, Don Holmgren July 11th
- Kim (Jeff) Holmberg's family** - at the death of her father, John Diebold

#### Healing-Members of St. John's

- **John (Mona) Volden** - recovering from surgery on July 14th
- Caleb Bedner** - health concerns; prayers also for his grandma, **Kathy Schewe**, for recent hand surgery
- Jennifer Maurer family** - prayers of support for Jennifer and her family
- **Bonnie Ficker** - fully recovered from burns
- Lorraine Johnson** - recovering from pacemaker surgery
- Bob Henry** - recovering at home after emergency surgery
- Wayne Mader** - health concerns
- Gladys Johnson** - health concerns
- Betty Manke** - health concerns
- Eloise Stram** - thankful for prayers
- Jenny Klein** - prayers of thanks for great scans and for continued healing
- Darlene Gunderson**—in remission
- Vivian Henry**—recovering from surgery at home
- Dave Carlson**—recovering from heart surgery
- Pr. Ed Groop and Margaret Groop**—health concerns
- Pastor Dave**-health concerns
- Larissa Wadman**-medical concerns
- Tom Johnson**-recuperating at home from a stroke
- Al Jorgenson**-health concerns
- Laverna Anderson**-health concerns
- Assisted Living/Care Center Facilities**
- Penny Anderson**—at Centennial Villa; health concerns
- Barb Beals**—recovering from a fall; at Annandale Care Center
- Bernadine Buranen**—at Annandale Care Center
- Betty Freeman**—assisted living
- Don and Carole Hausken**—at Guardian Angels in Elk River, MN, 400 Evans Ave NW; health concerns
- Jim Marohn** - at Annandale Care Center
- Ethel Rudolph** - health concerns, at the Annandale Care Center
- Barb Tasa**—at Park Terrace of Buffalo, health concerns

#### Healing-Family & Friends of St. John's

- Pamela Peterson** - Bev Sorensen's daughter; recovering from brain aneurysm surgery
- **Larry Wynia** - Doris's husband; home from the hospital, continued prayers requested
- Bill Peterson** - Loretta Peterson's son; stable after recent head trauma, will need continued healing
- Maynard Nilson** - at home after having a slight stroke
- Joe Johnson** - Laurie (Oscar) Laney's father; will be home Saturday; family would like to say Thank You for all the prayers
- Virginia Orth** - Nikki Neumiller's friend's Mom; broken arm, prayers for speedy recovery
- Amelia Pilgram** - 5-year old granddaughter of Carrie & Michael Pilgram; recent diagnosis of Lyme disease - prayers for recovery

**Shirley Thomas** - Deb Craft's aunt; stage IV lung cancer  
**Lisa** - Pr. Dave & Diane's niece; entering inpatient treatment  
**Baby boy Henry Dolan (Sam & Molly Dolan)** - grandson of Skip & Cathy Dolan, at Abbott after early birth  
**Jaren Paul and daughter Brooke** - Mary (Paul) Iverson's extended family; multiple health issues, prayers requested  
**Julia Ulku** - Patty (Jim) Behrends' mother; prayers requested for Julia and family as she moves to Martin Luther Manor in Bloomington, MN  
**Cliff Cahow** - Sandy (Gary) Porter's brother; recovering at nursing home from stroke  
**Brent Harapat** - pray for healing and recovery for this young husband and father  
**Kim** - Jan Rasmussen's sister, prayers for healing for lung infection  
**Denise Alms** - Garrett (Kayla) Munson's mom, Pr. Dave's son-in-law, recovering from a severe car crash  
**Debbie** - Gary (Sandy) Porter's sister, stage 4 non-Hodgkins lymphoma  
**Mike Huro** - friend of Stan (Shirley) Hillestad - battling myeloma  
**Elaine Borders** - mother of Jeff (Lisa) Borders; prayers for health concerns  
**Shirley Keto** - mother of Deb (Wayne) Kurowski; continued healing at home  
**Donna Messer** - friend of Shirley Diskerd since grade school, receiving chemo for cancer, grateful for all prayers offered  
**Lynda Leonard** - health concerns  
**Wayne Tobolt** - Joanne Winchell's friend and neighbor - lung cancer, doing well and thankful for prayers  
**Lillia** - Peggy Bodell's co-worker's granddaughter - 8-yr. old with stage 3 brain cancer, receiving proton therapy at Mayo, difficult prognosis  
**Bill Berg**—Dan (Nancy) Berg's father; prayers for his health and family decisions  
**Pat Sanderson**—has completed radiation; thankful for prayers  
**Kathy Ruprecht**—Nikki Neumiller's mother, cancer has shrunk, continuing chemotherapy; continued prayers for remission  
**David Zabloski**-son-in-law of Bev Sorensen, recovering from stroke  
**Bonnie Peterson**- Loretta Peterson's sister-in-law, stage 4 cancer  
**Andy Beuning**-son of Roger & Peg Beuning, diagnosed with multiple sclerosis  
**Judy Olson**-daughter-in-law of Dave and Betty Olson—recovering  
**Linda Tomlinson**-niece of Larry Greene, receiving treatment for a brain tumor

**Support** We remember our military men and women during this time of uncertainty and to those who have been called to active duty -  
**Alex Steffen** - son of Lori and Rick Steffen - Ft. Jackson, SC-Nat'l Guard at basic training  
**Jasonia Swanson**-granddaughter of John&Diane Swanson-Ft. Hauchuca, AZ, Army  
**Seth Johnson** - grandson of Lloyd & Maria Johnson - US Navy, Pensacola, FL  
**Scott Grossinger**-husband of Krista (Jacobson) Grossinger, USS Boxer, USMC-US Marine Corps  
**Christopher Behrends**-Patty Behrends nephew, U.S. Army  
**Christopher Borders**-son of Jeff and Lisa Borders—Minot, ND-Air Force  
**Robin Ekholm**-daughter of Bryan & Lucy Ekholm—Enid, OK-Air Force  
**McKenna Ekholm**-daughter of Bryan & Lucy Ekholm-Co. Springs, CO-Air Force  
**Mavis Ekholm** - daughter of Bryan & Lucy Ekholm-Ft. Leonard Wood, MO-Army National Guard  
**Erin Schwanke**-daughter of Ron & Sue Schwanke, Coronado, CA- U.S. Navy

*New /updated people are indicated by the "•"*

*Note: We strive to list the prayer requests and names correctly; if a correction is needed or you would like a name removed or added please inform the church office. In an effort to keep the list current and accurate, we will be updating/removing prayer requests on a monthly basis; please contact [ldietrich-blocker@stjohns-annandale.org](mailto:ldietrich-blocker@stjohns-annandale.org). Thank you!*

**Please drop any prayer requests in the offering plate or the slot by the office—Thank you!**

Worship attendance July 17th: 216

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Sunday Worship: 8:15 am Traditional ; 10:30 am Contemporary Sunday Christian Education during the school year: 9:30 am

