



NEW BULLETIN AND WEEKLY WORD FORMAT

Today we begin using a refreshed bulletin during worship. To ease the transition to the new bulletin, today we printed copies of both the new and old versions of the bulletin. The new bulletin includes a simplified service outline with hymnal and scripture references, along with a preview of Weekly Word stories from our website. All service content will be shown on both screens in the sanctuary. A full printed version (formerly called the "large print" version) of the service and Weekly Word will continue to be available upon request. We encourage you to use the hymnals and Bibles in the pews during worship and to bring a Bible from home if you'd like! We hope the new bulletin will bless your faith journey during the week as you continue to meditate on the message, pray for members of our church family at St. John's, and stay informed of the many upcoming ministry opportunities.

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

OPENING HYMN**“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”****LSB 650**

Holy Spirit, ever dwelling In the holiest realms of light;
Holy Spirit, ever brooding O'er a world of gloom and night;
Holy Spirit, ever raising Those of earth to thrones on high;
Living, life-imparting Spirit, You we praise and magnify.

Holy Spirit, ever living As the Church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving Through us in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming In the Church the mind of Christ:
You we praise with endless worship For Your gifts and fruits unpriced.

Holy Spirit, ever working Through the Church's ministry;
Quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving, Setting captive sinners free;
Holy Spirit, ever binding Age to age and soul to soul
In communion never ending, You we worship and extol.

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DEDICATION OF THE BAPTISMAL FONT

The marble bowl and pedestal are the original baptismal font from this sanctuary, dating back to 1923, and donated by Waconia Marble and Granite Works. The wood frame and stone top that surrounds the baptismal font was designed by YHR Architects and built by RK Wolfgang. The octagonal shape of the wood frame symbolizes new creation through Baptism.

Beloved in the Lord, in the waters of Holy Baptism the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanses us from all sin. Therefore, it is fitting that we bless this baptismal font, which shall hold the waters of mercy by which the Father grants us salvation through His Son in the Holy Spirit.

PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your great mercy You preserved Noah and his family through the flood and led Your people Israel through the waters of the Red Sea. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin. Bless this baptismal font that those who are here given new birth by water and the Spirit may receive forgiveness of sins and eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BAPTISM (8:30)

Hannah Grace Simpson is the daughter of Marcus and Brenda Simpson. Hannah's sponsors are Eric and Rachel Wenz.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

As baptized children of God, let us confess our own sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We do not take Your Spirit's presence to heart, preferring to explain events by chance or the forces of nature. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not opened ourselves to the power of Your Word. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, but have sought to compete with them. Although we deserve Your punishment in time and eternity, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, we ask for Your divine mercy and forgiveness. O Holy Spirit, renew us and lead us to delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son, Jesus Christ to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Through the Word, the Holy Spirit has created saving faith in our hearts. Now, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE**“To God on High Be Glory”****LSB 204**

To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—

For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory, “Amen!” our glad reply.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Holy Spirit, You call people to faith and faithfulness and gather them in the Church. Breathe Your life into us that we may ever rejoice in the power of Your presence among us and share Your outpoured blessings as You direct us from generation to generation. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Father, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Numbers 11:24-30

²⁴Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it. ²⁶Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them." ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, that the Lord would put his Spirit on them!" ³⁰And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. ⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷"And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; ¹⁸even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; ²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. ²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 205

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe

That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 7:37-39

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁷On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" ³⁹Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

THIRD ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED (10:00)

LSB 323

An explanation from Luther's Small Catechism

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“O Day Full of Grace”

LSB 503

O day full of grace that now we see
Appearing on earth's horizon,
Bring light from our God that we may be
Replete in His joy this season.
God, shine for us now in this dark place;
Your name on our hearts emblazon.

O day full of grace, O blessed time,
Our Lord on the earth arriving;
Then came to the world that light sublime,
Great joy for us all retrieving;
For Jesus all mortals did embrace,
All darkness and shame removing.

For Christ bore our sins, and not His own,
When He on the cross was hanging;
And then He arose and moved the stone
That we, unto Him belonging,
Might join with angelic hosts to raise
Our voices in endless singing.

God came to us then at Pentecost,
His Spirit new life revealing,
That we might no more from Him be lost,
All darkness for us dispelling.
His flame will the mark of sin efface
And bring to us all His healing.

When we on that final journey go
That Christ is for us preparing,
We'll gather in song, our hearts aglow,
All joy of the heavens sharing,
And walk in the light of God's own place,
With angels His name adoring.

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+ Sermon Notes +

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MEMORIAL DAY PRAYER

Lord God, for all who serve and have served in the armed forces of our nation, and especially those who have paid the ultimate price by giving their very lives in our nation’s service and the defense of freedom, we give you thanks and praise. We pray we may always treasure their memory, their honor and their courage.

Father in Heaven, stretch forth Your almighty arm to strengthen and protect those who serve in the armed forces of our country. Support them in times of war, and in times of peace, keep them from all evil, giving them courage and loyalty. Grant that in all things they may serve with integrity and with honor; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Our Memorial Day service will be held on Monday, May 25 at 9:30 am at St. John’s Cemetery, located at 1853 Stoughton Ave., Chaska, MN 55318. We look forward to having you join us!

HYMN**“God Bless Our Native Land”****LSB 965**

God bless our native land;
Firm may she ever stand
Through storm and night.
When the wild tempests rave,
Ruler of wind and wave,
Do Thou our country save
By Thy great might.

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So shall our prayers arise
To God above the skies;
On Him we wait.
Thou who art ever nigh,
Guarding with watchful eye,
To Thee aloud we cry:
God save the state!

LADIES AID SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION (10:00)

The St. John's Ladies Aid is pleased to recognize Lila Johnshoy and Paige Dolan as recipients of the 2026 Ladies Aid Scholarship. We thank God for these young women and pray for His continued guidance as they pursue their future callings. This scholarship supports students preparing for church work vocations including pastors, Lutheran classroom teachers, Directors of Christian Education, Directors of Parish Music, Directors of Christian Outreach, and Deaconesses!

OFFERING**OFFERTORY****“Holy Spirit, Light Divine”****LSB 496, vv. 1-2**

Holy Spirit, light divine,
Shine upon this heart of mine;
Chase the shades of night away,
Turn the darkness into day.

Let me see my Savior's face,
Let me all His beauties trace;
Show those glorious truths to me
Which are only known to Thee.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Fire of Love, pour out the love of Jesus into the hearts of Your people. Inspire all who speak Your Word among us with wisdom and faithfulness. Help us to hear and gladly follow Your voice. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Spirit of Peace, there is much violence and turmoil in this world. Grant to the leaders of our communities, regions, and all nations courage to serve all who are marginalized, impoverished, and outcast; to listen to the voices of the voiceless; to put an end to warfare and violence; and to protect life in all its forms; that all people live in peace and quietness.

Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Breath of God, breathe Your healing presence among all people who suffer any affliction of body, mind, or spirit...Lift up the downcast, restore the fallen, strengthen the weak, and fill the hungry with good things. Help all who suffer to trust in Your abiding presence and to rest in Your love that surrounds us all. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN “Rise, Shine, You People”

LSB 825, vv. 1, 3-4

Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
Our human story; God in Him is centered.
He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
With grace unbounded.

Come, celebrate, your banners high unfurling,
Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
To all the world go out and tell the story
Of Jesus' glory.

Tell how the Father sent His Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
His new creation.

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SENDING

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

+ Today's Worship Servants +

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Pastor Barry
 Liturgist: Pastor Snow
 Organist: Kristin Johnson

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Elders: 8:30 Pete Siedelman/10:00 Michael Johnshoy
 Usher Team: 8:30 Jay Molnau/10:00 Dave Hagen
 Welcome Team: 8:30 Gayle Degler, Gary Herber
 10:00 Christine Reis
 Tech Crew: 8:30 Hunter Krueger/10:00 Bennett McGlothlin
 Coffee Hour: 9:30 Dick and Bonnie Schaefer
 Banner & Paraments: Joan Bode

Today at St. John's

8:30 | 10:00AM Traditional Worship

NO Education Hour

Education Hour takes place during the school year, running from fall through spring. More information will be available toward the end of summer about when Education Hour will return for Fall 2026.

Upcoming Week

Monday, May 25	6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
	9:00 AM Memorial Day Service
	5:15 PM Monday Night Meal
	7:00 PM AA
Tuesday, May 26	6:30 PM Pre-K Graduation
Wednesday, May 27	9:30 AM Moms in the Word
	6:30 PM 8 th Grade Graduation
Friday, May 29	6:30 PM AA
Sunday, May 31	8:30/10:00 AM Worship
	6:00 PM Youth Night

Thank you for worshipping with St. John's today!

If this is your first time at St. John's, we invite you to fill out a CONNECTCard located at the Welcome Desk or by using the QR code. We look forward to CONNECT-ing with you.



+ Prayers and Announcements +

Prayers for Healing and Strength

Kim Siegle
Jason Beussman
Angeline Rannow

Rog Forner
Rick Ellingson
David Burfield

Stephen Wetzel
Brody Miller

Ongoing Prayers

Carol Affeldt
John Barney
Merlin Bentz
Jack Boman
Jimann Campbell
Julie Carver
Len Kallsen
Sunnie Deis

Anita Doss
Sid & Merna Fjelstad
Dennis Gaarder
Ruth Harms
Eugene Henke
Melinda Meuwissen
Marguerite Craighead
Tim & Gretchen Laubach

Marilyn Lenzen
Carol Jones
Steve Pond
Cliff Waller
Lois Wenz
Ruth Ziegler

Expectant Moms

Clara Crawley-Reid

Haley Griffin

Christina Krueger

Celebrating Birthdays

5/24

Alaina Anderson
Tina Davis
Sharon Gates
Johnathan Haack

5/25

Noelle Dolan
Christopher Mundahl

5/26

Jack Leary
Jordan Porisch

5/26

Karen Schmidt
Ida Schwartz
Laura Stender

5/27

Randy Bauer
Deborah Bergstrom
Evy Trost

Daryl Wikstrom

5/28

Stephanie Henderson

5/29

Nathan Rasmussen

5/30

Sarah DeWaard
Joseph Dysterheft
Luke Leaon

Celebrating Anniversaries

5/25 Troy and Rachel Hubley

5/26 Kevin and Patricia Knutson

5/26 Timmy Rawerts and Gina Light

5/28 Jerry and Kris Hanson

5/28 Dennis and Laura Larson

5/28 Jon and Elsa Mierow

5/28 Kevin and Annette Pevestorf

5/30 Patrick and Raquel Frederiksen

5/30 David and Linda Peters

Weekly Word Preview

Read all these stories at stjohnschaska.org/word, scan the QR code, or pick up a printed copy at the back of the church.



All are welcome to join us at St. John's Cemetery on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25 at 9:30 AM, for a brief service as we remember those who gave their lives in service to our country. The service will include the Honor Guard presenting the colors, Scripture reading, and prayer, with the Memorial Day parade to follow.

