



PRELUDE

“Praise and Thanksgiving” arr. by Dale Wood, organ

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,
we are your stiff-necked people.
We trample on the needy.
We grumble about your grace to others.
We turn away from the poor.
Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.
Rejoice over us as ones who were lost
and have been found.
Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.
Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.
You who were lost have been found.
In the name of ✝ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!
Amen.

HYMN

You are holy, you are whole.
You are always ever more
than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.

“You Are Holy” (sing twice)

You are holy,
you are wholeness,
you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest!
Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to our God!

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

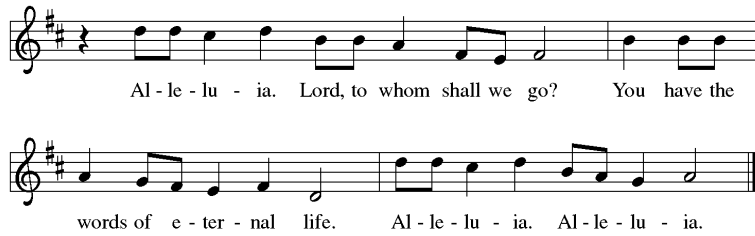
Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment: To love one another as he had loved them. By your Holy Spirit write this commandment in our hearts; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 13

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to St. John, the 13th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 13:31-35

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

“Loving One Another”, Pastor Karen Natterstad

SERMON SONG

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.
- 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit
into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.
- 3 Come, Almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
- 4 Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee!
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of grace,
receive our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

"Serving God by Loving All" arr. by Joel Raney, choir

Offering is an act of worship – giving back to God in response to the blessings, grace, and love received.

Offering may be given by:

- Going to our website makedisciples.com and clicking on "Ways to Give"
- Scanning this QR code.
- Texting to Give to 844-605-2105
- Mailing to St. John's Lutheran, 20275 Davidson Road, Brookfield, WI 53045



OFFERTORY

"Good Soil"

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard,
break the stone away.
When my heart is cold,
warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost,
lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

Dialogue and Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

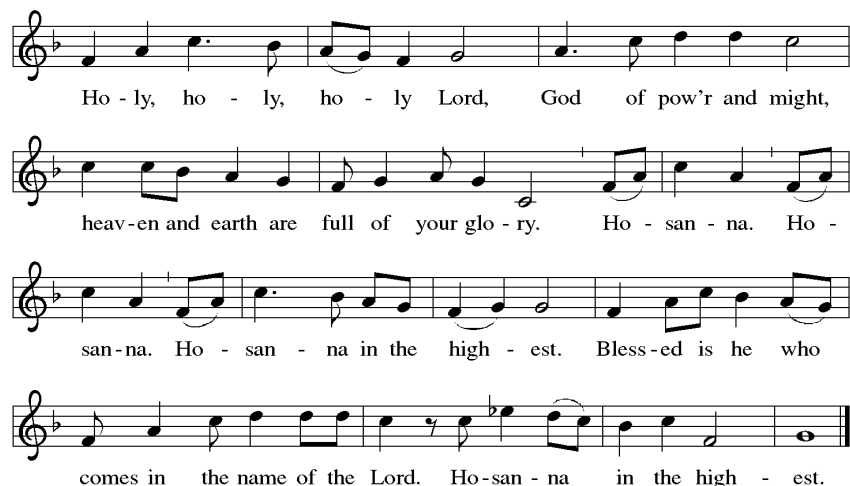
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

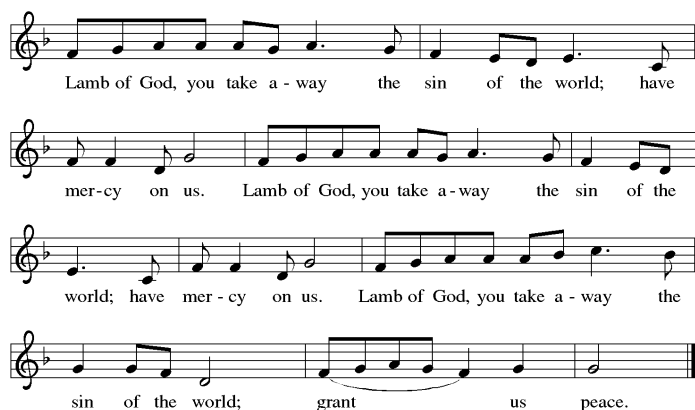


Words of Institution

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.

Lamb of God



Distribution

Please self-serve your communion.

Whatever you have to represent the bread and wine is acceptable.

COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS (See last page)

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

REFRAIN:

Sizohamba naye, wo
Sizohamba naye,
Sizohamba naye, wo
Sizohamba naye,

VERSE 1

We walk, we walk the Lord's road,
Sizohamba naye
We walk, we walk the Lord's road,
Sizohamba naye
REFRAIN

“We Will Go with God”

VERSE 2

We sing, we sing the Lord's praise, Sizohamba naye
We sing, we sing the Lord's praise, Sizohamba naye
REFRAIN

Verse 3

We live, we live the Lord's word, Sizohamba naye
We live, we live the Lord's word, Sizohamba naye

DISMISSAL.

Go in peace. Following Jesus, making disciples, serving the world.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

**“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”
setting by Edwin T. Childs, organ**

WORSHIP TEAM

Pastor: Pr. Karen Natterstad
Assisting Minister: Brent Logan
Organist/Music Director: Becky Whelpley
Choir: Lisa Weiss-Cornelius, accompanist
Percussion: Evan Zach
Violin: Sara Everts
Lector: Mary Tollander
AV: Pam Klink, Penny Holt

Announcements

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are provided by Phil and Carrie Peters with gratitude for St. John's amazing staff and ministry leaders.

Please use the signups on the website to provide altar flowers to honor a loved one or to celebrate an event.

On the Calendar

- Sep 28 Monthly Service Project
- Sep 29 Fall Clean Up with Food (4:00p)
- Oct 1 Kids of the Kingdom begins (5:15p)

September Day of Service Today

On Sunday, September 28, join us between services in the Fellowship Hall/Kitchen for our Congregation-Wide Service Project! We'll be preparing freezer meals for our shut-ins to deliver care and comfort in a tangible way.

Cooking not your thing? No worries—there are plenty of ways to help! You can write out the cooking instructions and create cheerful notes of encouragement to go along with each meal.

This is a wonderful opportunity for all ages to come together, serve as a community, and share God's love in action. We hope to see you there!



Scheduling Sunday Morning Ministries

It takes many hands to make Sunday mornings run smoothly at St. John's. To help coordinate all volunteers, we will be doing a schedule of all Sunday Morning Ministries! The first schedule will cover November to January. If you wish to be on this schedule, for anything from communion server, to greeter, to lector, to coffee host, please complete the MSP Interest Form.

Forms are available online and on paper. Deadline to submit your volunteer preferences is October 12. This is your opportunity to get involved – to try something new – to use your gifts – and to connect with others ... because we are BETTER TOGETHER!

Commit by Tuesday for Tanzania



Yes, a delegation is going to visit our partners in Tanzania in April. You do not want to miss this opportunity to meet these lovely people, to engage the students at the school we helped to build, or to experience their rich culture and beautiful land. This type of trip requires pre-planning so commitment (with down payment) is needed by September 30. Contact

Deborah Petersen with questions at 262-951-8893.

September Outreach Focus is El Salvador

During the month of September, we will focus our outreach offering on health-related items for El Salvador. The items will be used in the community clinic attached to the church and for the Days for Girls Washable Menstruation kits. Your donations bless many.



A list of items needed is by the shopping cart and can be found online at makedisciples.com under Ministries - Outreach. Please do NOT donate open packages or medications. Thank you.

Clean Up, Clean Up, Everybody, Everywhere

Monday, September 29 at 4:00 p.m. we will gather to clean up the St. John's property and prepare it for winter. Many jobs are available for all skill levels. Food will be served! Come when you are able, leave when you must. All are welcome to join the fun and fellowship!



Kids of the Kingdom Begins October 1

