St. John Lutheran Church
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The Rev. Raymond H. Phyles — Mrs. Margaret Knowlton
Pastor (phone 531-2264) — Organist
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost — September 21, 2008
Service of the Word I — 9:30 a.m.

Preparation

Prelude		Enter quietly to Worship
*The Confession of Sins		p. 56
#*The Entrance Hymn	(4)	# 526
*The Greeting	(5)	p. 57
*The Kyrie	(6)	p. 57
*The Hymn of Praise	(7)	p. 58
*The Prayer of the Day	(8)	p. 28

#Latecomers may be seated

The Word

The First Lesson	(9)	Jonah 3: 10-4: 11
The Psalm 145: 1-8		p. 286
The Second Lesson		Philippians 1: 21-30
*The Alleluia	(14)	p. 62
*The Holy Gospel	(15,16)	Matthew 20: 1-16
The Sermon		Pastor Phyles

The Response to the Word

*The Hymn of the Day	(19)	(sts. 1,2,4) # 446
*The Apostles' Creed	(21)	p.65
The Offering and Offertory		p.75
*The Pastoral Prayer	(47)	p.76
*The Lord's Prayer (either version)		p.76
*The Benediction	(48)	p.78
*The Departure Hymn		(sts. 1-3,5 # 424
A Moment of Reflection		
*The Postlude		Depart joyfully to serve

Congregation Standing

Lay Assistant: Angie Cornwell
Lector: Fred Faust **Acolyte:** Michael Winsor
Ushers: Ralph & Becky Comeau
Nursery: Heather Phyles

Please disable all cellphones and other devices upon entering the sanctuary. Thank you.

The flowers on the Altar this morning have been presented by the Winsor family to the glory of God and in honor of Thomas' birthday.

We extend a cordial welcome to all who are present for worship this morning, particularly you who may be visitors among us. St. John is a fellowship of God's people worshipping and serving in the Reformation tradition. We invite you to worship with us again and to join with us in our ministry here on the North Shore. Please sign our Guest Book before you leave and please join us downstairs following the service for coffee and light refreshments.

Our Sunday church school classes begin at 11:00 a.m. Please help us conclude the coffee hour promptly.

The Youth Group will meet this afternoon here at the church. All young people are welcome. Please see Susan Dancewicz if interested.

The Bible study group will meet this Wednesday evening at 7:30 here at the church. All are welcome.

The Fall Cleanup will take place this coming Saturday, September 27, beginning around 9:00 a.m. We will trim the shrubbery and do other outdoor maintenance. Many hands make light work. Please plan to help if you are able.

Our annual Fall Kickoff will take place this coming Saturday evening beginning at 6:00 here at the church. This has always been a time for fun, fellowship and food. Plan to bring your favorite dish for the pot luck supper and then to stay for the evening's activity. All are welcome.

If you wish to contribute to relief efforts following the destruction of hurricanes Gustav and Ike, please place your contribution in a clearly marked envelope on an offering plate. Thrivent Financial will match $1.00 for every $2.00 contributed. St. John's two hundred dollars, plus Thrivent's additional $100.00 were given towards relief of the recent floods in the Midwest. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Please continue to use the blue offering envelopes to help offset the work done recently on the steeple. Your generosity is appreciated.

Copies of Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation are available from Pastor for $9.00 per copy. Please see him if interested.

We invite our young people to serve as acolytes for our worship services. Please see Mrs. Winsor to offer your service.

We ask your prayers and concern for those members and friends of St. John today and throughout the coming week.

Ellen Hepburn — Sylvia Moynihan — David Fredricksen
Dorothy Fender — Gary Garaputo — George Winsor

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We join with those who mourn in remembering before God and one another, those who have departed this life in the sign of the faith.

Harry Augustine Olson - 9/22/97
Henry Niilo Makela - 9/27/00