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The Rev. Raymond H. Phyles — Mrs. Margaret Knowlton
Pastor (phone 531-2264) — Organist
Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost — October 19, 2008
Service of the Word I — 9:30 a.m.

Preparation

Prelude		Enter quietly to Worship
*The Confession of Sins		p. 56
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*The Prayer of the Day	(8)	p. 28

#Latecomers may be seated

The Word

The First Lesson	(9)	Isaiah 45: 1-7
The Psalm 96		p. 261
The Second Lesson		1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10
*The Alleluia	(14)	p. 62
*The Holy Gospel	(15,16)	Matthew 22: 15-22
The Sermon		Mr. Knowlton

The Response to the Word

*The Hymn of the Day	(19)	# 535
*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. 1-4)	#328
A Moment of Reflection		
*The Postlude		Depart joyfully to serve

Congregation Standing

Lay Assistant: Fred Faust
Lector: Tom Knowlton **Acolyte:** Michael Winsor
Ushers: Rick Cormier & Chip Bott
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 Rick and Cheryl Cormier to the glory of God and in honor of their twelfth wedding anniversary.

We cordially welcome all who are present for worship this morning, particularly you who may be visitors among us. St. John's 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.

We also welcome to the pulpit this morning our own Tom Knowlton, who is graciously giving Pastor Phyles a respite while he continues to recover from bronchitis. We appreciate Tom's ministry and look forward to his message this morning.

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 eighth grade and up are welcome. Please see Mrs. Dancewicz if you have questions.

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

The WELCA Fall Fair is set for Saturday, November 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Baked goods and items for the white elephant table are needed, and a list of donations for the fruit basket raffle is posted downstairs. Please support this annual event as generously as you can, and please bring items here to the church anytime during the week of October 27. Members of WELCA have keys to the building and will coordinate times for receiving and placing your donations. Our sincere thanks go to all who help.

Thrivent Financial will match with $1.00 every $2.00 we give toward relief for the victims of hurricane Gustav and Ike. Please place any gift you may wish to give in a clearly marked envelope and place it on an offering plate. Your outreach is always greatly appreciated.

Please, continue to use the blue offering envelopes to help offset the work done recently on the steeple and the painting of the church soon to be completed. Thank you for your continued support. A graph is posted downstairs to mark our progress.

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
Katy Moynihan

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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.

Mathilda Seppila - 10/23/74