



NORTHDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH TAMPA, FL FEBRUARY 26, 2020

# Northdale Lutheran Church and School

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"WE GROW IN GOD'S WORD SO THAT WE CAN GO WITH GOD'S WORD"

# **ASH WEDNESDAY**

**Welcome to Northdale Lutheran!** We are so glad you are joining us to proclaim what God has done and to sing his praises. Here the Lord also comes to us and strengthens us with his mighty Word. Take a moment to meet and greet those around you! Also:

Restrooms are in the entrance and through the nursery hallway.



- ♣ Handicapped accessible restroom facilities are located through the nursery hallway and back in the preschool area.
- ❖ To help keep the sanctuary as a quiet place of worship and meditation and for your convenience, a Quiet Room is available for the whole service for young children in the back of the sanctuary. Please make use of this room if your child becomes loud in worship. Please do not leave children unattended in the Quiet Room. We ask that at least one adult be present while children are in this room.
- Everything you need for worship is printed in the worship folder.

## **WORSHIP THEME**

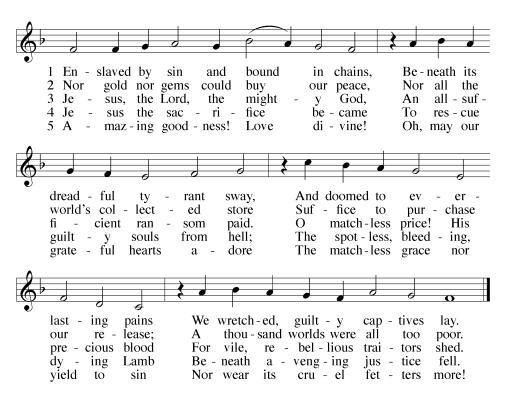
Scripture is replete with imagery and descriptions of our Savior Jesus as the warrior who fights and defeats sin, death, and Satan. Each service throughout this Lenten season focuses on an aspect of our Savior-warrior as he is promised to us, fights our enemies for us, and triumphs over them for us.

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE NOTES**

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, the Christian's 40 day journey with the Lord to the cross and tomb, preparing for the proclamation of Easter. The 40 days are reminiscent of several biblical events: Jesus' 40 day fast at the beginning of his ministry, Moses' stay on Mount Sinai at the giving of the Law, and Elijah's fast on his way to the mountain of God. Ash Wednesday begins the Christian's Lenten journey with a reminder of our mortality and a call to repentance. The ancient practice of imposing ashes on the foreheads of the faithful gives Ash Wednesday its name. The church father Tertullian (AD 160-215) writes of the practice as a public expression of repentance and of our human frailty that stands in need of Christ. The ashes remind us forcefully of our need for redeeming grace as they recall words from the rite for Christian burial: "...earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust...," words that will one day be spoken over all of us.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**OPENING HYMN, CW #102, "ENSLAVED BY SIN AND BOUND IN CHAINS"** 



Text: Anne Steele, 1717–78.

Tune: WENN WIR IN HÖCHSTEN NÖTEN SEIN (LM) Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510–1561.

#### INVOCATION

(The name of the triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshipers of their baptisms.)

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.

For faithless worrying and selfish pride, For sins of habit and sins of choice,

For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, You should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

#### **ABSOLUTION**

(The use of the keys is that special power and right which Christ gave to his church on earth: to forgive the sins of penitent sinners" [The Small Catechism, First: What is the use of the keys?]. See John 20:21-23.)

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## LORD, HAVE MERCY Kvrie

(Kyrie is the Greek word for Lord. The expression "Lord, have mercy" is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian church.)

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

> For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are M:

lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of

heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy. C:

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

> Almighty God, you never despise what you have made and always forgive those who turn to you. Create in us such new and contrite hearts that we may truly repent of our sins and obtain your full and gracious pardon; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

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## THE WORD OF GOD\*



THE FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 59:12-20

We begin Lent with a realistic look at ourselves in the mirror of God's law. As we do this, we are made very well aware of our need to repent.

For our offenses are many in your sight, and our sins testify against us.

Our offenses are ever with us,

and we acknowledge our iniquities:

<sup>13</sup>rebellion and treachery against the Lord, turning our backs on our God, inciting revolt and oppression, uttering lies our hearts have conceived.

<sup>14</sup>So justice is driven back,

and righteousness stands at a distance;

truth has stumbled in the streets,

honesty cannot enter.

<sup>15</sup>Truth is nowhere to be found,

and whoever shuns evil becomes a prey.

The Lord looked and was displeased that there was no justice.

<sup>16</sup>He saw that there was no one,

he was appalled that there was no one to intervene;

#### \*The Word of God

"The reading of the Lessons is a highlight of a service. The spiritually hungry have come to be fed and nurtured and to drink from the waters of life. Knowing that 'faith comes from hearing the message,' God's people listen intently with attention aroused to be blessed by the hearing of God's Word." Christian Worship Manual

so his own arm achieved salvation for him, and his own righteousness sustained him.

17He put on righteousness as his breastplate, and the helmet of salvation on his head; he put on the garments of vengeance and wrapped himself in zeal as in a cloak.

<sup>18</sup>According to what they have done, so will he repay

wrath to his enemies and retribution to his foes; he will repay the islands their due.

<sup>19</sup>From the west, people will fear the name of the Lord, and from the rising of the sun, they will revere his glory. For he will come like a pent-up flood

that the breath of the Lord drives along.

<sup>20</sup>"The Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who repent of their sins," declares the Lord.



## PSALM OF THE DAY, PSALM 51A

As we confess our sins, God washes them away in the blood of Jesus.





#### Refrain

Have mercy on me, O God,\* according to your unfailing love.

Wash away all my iniquity,\* and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions,\* and my sin is always before me.

#### Refrain

Against you, you only, <u>have</u> I sinned\* and done what is evil <u>in</u> your sight.

Surely I was sinful at birth,\* sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Hide your face <u>from</u> my sins,\* and blot out all my iniquity.

Restore to me the joy of your sal<u>vation</u>,\* and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### Refrain

## THE SECOND LESSON: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:20B-6:2

As we recognize our sins, we turn to God for his favor granted through Jesus, our Savior.

We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

<sup>1</sup>As God's co-workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

"In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you."

I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.

## SEASONAL RESPONSE

All: All we like sheep have gone astray and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. By His wounds we are healed.

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## THE GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 18:9-14

While our pride may want to act like the Pharisee before God, we are better served spiritually to follow the tax collector and humble ourselves before God.

M: The Gospel according to Luke chapter 18.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord.

To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: 10"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. 12I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' 13 "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' 14 "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

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## **SERMON HYMN,** CW #93, "HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED"



Text: James Montgomery, 1771-1854, abr., alt.

Tune: Freut Euch, IHR LIEBEN CHRISTEN (76 76 D) Leonhart Schröter, c. 1532–c. 1601.

## SERMON TEXT: ISAIAH 42:13

The Lord will march out like a champion, like a warrior he will stir up his zeal; with a shout he will raise the battle cry and will triumph over his enemies.

#### SERMON THEME:

## The Promised Warrior

## **THANKSGIVING**

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## THE NICENE CREED

(Public confession is faith's response to God's saving Word. Christians composed the Nicene Creed in the fourth century to defend the Bible's teachings that both Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit are true God, equal to the Father in one eternal, undivided Trinity.)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian\* and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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## **OFFERING**

Please sign the Friendship Register in each of the rows and pass it to those sitting next to you.

Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Luke 12:34) The members of Northdale Lutheran joyfully give our offerings to the LORD in response to His Word and in thanks for the many ways he has blessed us. We have joined together as a congregation to use these offerings to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world through the work of our Synod. Your gifts moved by the Holy Spirit out love for God and his blessings are welcome.

Online giving is now set up and available through our membership software entitled Breeze. This automatically connects your contribution to your account for recording purposes. You can give through Breeze two ways: 1) You can give by texting "Give" to (813) 652-0408. 2). You can go to https://northdale.breezechms.com/give/online. You can certainly ask if you have any questions.

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#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Holy and righteous God, as we begin again the solemn spiritual journey of Lent, we come before you in deep humility. We confess that we are sinners, both by the nature we inherit and by the sinful thoughts and desires, words and actions that nature produces. Because of our sins, we deserve only your wrath and punishment. Yet you reveal yourself, not only as a God of holiness and justice but as a God of mercy and love. Despairing of our own merits and worthiness, and in response to your gracious invitation, we come pleading for your forgiveness.

C: Lord, have mercy on us for your holy name's sake.

M: You have revealed your love and mercy for us sinners in Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. You sent him into our world to be the atoning sacrifice for the

sins of all people. Help us grasp by faith the great truth that the pain and suffering, the mockery and ridicule, and the death and punishment he endured should have been ours. Help us understand that in incomprehensible love he suffered and died for us.

C: Lord, have mercy on us for Jesus' sake.

M: In silent meditation let us reflect on our sins, praise our Savior for the forgiveness he has won for us, and ask for God's continued grace to remove any doubt that we are forgiven.

Time for silent meditation follows.

M: God of grace and mercy, may your Spirit continue to be with us as we follow the way of the cross. As we contemplate the story of our Savior's passion, build us up in our faith. Renew in us the zeal to serve you by reflecting your love in our lives. Give us the desire and the ability to boldly proclaim the grace in which we stand, so that all for whom you lived and died may join us in fellowship now and in your presence forever.

C: We offer our humble thanks and praise, our prayers and petitions, and ourselves in body and spirit to you, Lord God. Hear us, according to your promise, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

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## LORD'S PRAYER

All:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Northdale Lutheran practices Close Communion. We ask that only members of Northdale Lutheran or another WELS/ELS congregation partake of the sacrament today. If you have questions about becoming a member to partake of the sacrament, please speak to pastor after worship.



## **PREFACE**

(The words of the Preface mark the beginning of the Sacrament section of the service and lift the worshipers' hearts in praise. The opening sentences are among the oldest in the Christian liturgy.)

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

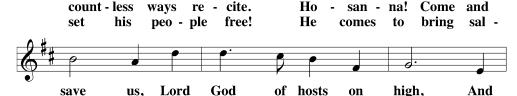
C: We lift them up to the Lord.

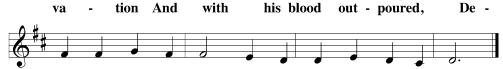
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who willingly died under the curse of this world's sin so that we may live forever in the light of God's blessing. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Sanctus Tune: AURELIA 10 ho - ly, ho - lv. ho ly Lord God of pow'r and 2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - lv blest is might, Your glo - ry, earth and heav en In he Who in God's name is com ing To





in your grace and mer - cy Re-ceive our fer-vent cry. liv - er us from bond - age — Ho - san - na, might-y Lord!

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(Jesus took bread and gave thanks [Matthew 26:26].)

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

## C: Amen.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(As he speaks the Words of Institution, the minister both proclaims the words of Jesus to the congregation and sets apart the bread and wine for the Lord's use. The sign of the cross reminds us of Christ's death.)

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

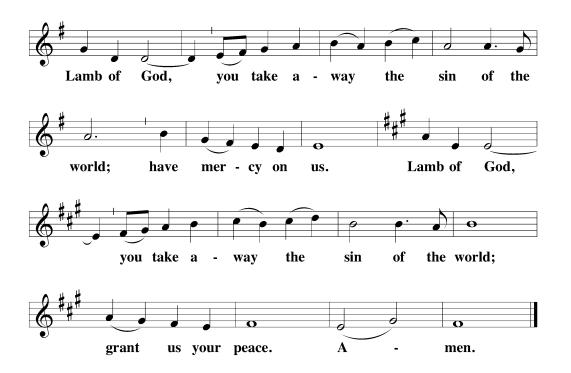
## C: Amen.

## LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei







## DISTRIBUTION

(The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith.)

**GUESTS:** SO THAT THERE IS NO MISUNDERSTANDING, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE SPEAK WITH THE PASTOR BEFORE COMMUNING WITH US.

**Members:** We encourage you to use "Personal Preparation for Holy Communion" on page 156 in the front of the hymnal. Be Seated

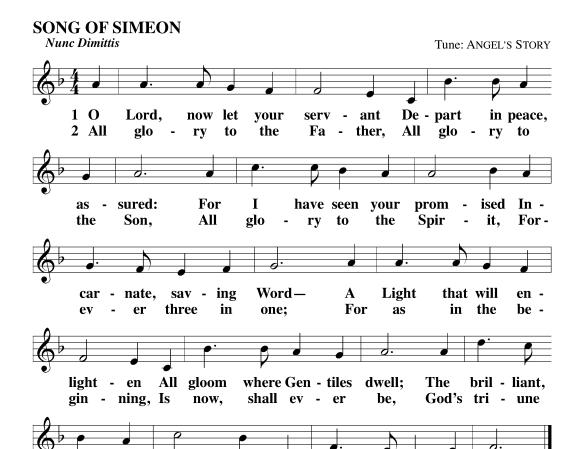
## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

CW #122, "SING, MY TONGUE, THE GLORIOUS BATTLE"



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## FINAL PRAYER

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M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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C: Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve

the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace

C: Amen

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## This Week:

Sunday (3/1): 8:00 &10:30am - Worship

9:15am - Sunday School and Teen Bible Study

9:25am - Adult Bible Study

11:30am - Fellowship

## **Serving Today**

Music: 2:00-Chris Haring

6:30—Aidan Berg

Ushers: 2:00—Tom Faucette

6:30 — Chris Teeples

Acolyte: 2:00-Micah Vannieuwenhoven

Elder: David Mosakowski