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

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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

Jesus calls us from sinful selfishness to selfless service.

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN, CW #104, "GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE"



1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; View the Lord of
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid his



tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see.
life ar - raigned. Oh, the worm-wood and the gall!
at his feet, Mark that mir - a - cle of time,
breath - less clay; All is sol - i - tude and gloom.



Watch with him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from his
Oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained! Shun not suf-f'ring,
God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete. "It is fin - ished!"
Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; Learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.
pain, or loss; Learn of him to bear the cross.
hear him cry; Learn of Je - sus Christ to die.
meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt.

Tune: GETHSEMANE (77 77 77) Richard Redhead, 1820–1901.

PLEASE STAND

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: Let us confess before our God our failures, fears and weaknesses. Let us seek God's mercy and grace that we may be forgiven and live in peace.

C: **God who cares for all, we confess that we are by nature sinful and alienated from you. We do not always love you with our whole heart. We do not care for ourselves, our neighbors, our nation or the earth as we ought. Forgive our failures to hear your Word, our failure to worship you regularly, our failure to appreciate the great gift of forgiveness that you have given us in the Church. Restore us as your people to live in the freedom of Christ our Savior!**

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: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and for His sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, we confess that we deserve be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask you graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with your salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen**



THE WORD OF GOD*

THE SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 8:1-10

Christ's life ransomed mankind because it met God's demands and set us free from the Law of sin. Now we are free to live according to the Spirit.

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ²because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. ³For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

⁵Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. ⁶The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. ⁸Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

⁹You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness.

***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

PSALM OF THE DAY, *PSALM 42-43*

Refrain



Bless-ed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

Psalm tone



Refrain

As the deer pants for streams of water,*
so my soul pants for you, O God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.*
Where can I go and meet with God?

Why are you downcast, O my soul?*

Why so disturbed within me?

Put your hope in God,*
for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

Refrain

Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me;*
let them bring me to the place where you dwell.

Then will I go to the altar of God, my joy and my delight.*
I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.

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

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PLEASE STAND

THE GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 20:17-28

Rather than marveling at the depth of his love and self-sacrifice, the disciples argued about places of greatness in glory. Followers of Jesus drink his cup and find greatness in selflessly serving others.

Now Jesus was going up to Jerusalem. On the way, he took the Twelve aside and said to them, ¹⁸“We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death ¹⁹and will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day he will be raised to life!”

²⁰Then the mother of Zebedee’s sons came to Jesus with her sons and, kneeling down, asked a favor of him.

²¹“What is it you want?” he asked.

She said, “Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom.”

²²“You don’t know what you are asking,” Jesus said to them. “Can you drink the cup I am going to drink?”

“We can,” they answered.

²³Jesus said to them, “You will indeed drink from my cup, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared by my Father.”

²⁴When the ten heard about this, they were indignant with the two brothers. ²⁵Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ²⁶Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ²⁷and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— ²⁸just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

BE SEATED

SERMON HYMN, CW #113, "UPON THE CROSS EXTENDED"



1 Up - on the cross ex - tend - ed, See, world, your Lord sus -
 2 How God at our trans - gres - sion To an - ger gives ex -
 3 'Tis I who should be smit - ten, My doom should here be
 4 A crown of thorns you're wear - ing, My shame and scorn you're
 5 Your cords of love, my Sav - ior, Bind me to you for -



pend - ed; Your Sav - ior yields his breath. The Prince of
 pres - sion, How loud his thun - ders roll, How fear - ful -
 writ - ten: Bound hand and foot in hell. The fet - ters
 bear - ing That I might ran - somed be. My bonds - man,
 ev - er; I am no long - er mine. To you I



life from heav - en Him - self has free - ly giv - en
 ly he smites him, How sore - ly he re - quites him—
 and the scourg - ing, The floods a - round you surg - ing,
 ev - er will - ing, My place with pa - tience fill - ing,
 glad - ly ten - der All that my life can ren - der



To shame and blows and bit - ter death.
 All this your suf - f'ring teach my soul.
 'Tis I who have de - served them well.
 From sin and guilt has made me free.
 And all I have to you re - sign.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. John Kelly, 1833–90, alt.
 Tune: O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN (776 778) Heinrich Isaac, c. 1450–1517, alt.

SERMON TEXT: HOSEA 5:15-6:3

Then I will return to my lair
until they have borne their guilt
and seek my face—
in their misery
they will earnestly seek me.”

³Let us acknowledge the Lord;
let us press on to acknowledge him.

As surely as the sun rises,
he will appear;
he will come to us like the winter rains,
like the spring rains that water the earth.”

SERMON THEME:

Do I Have Your Attention?

THANKSGIVING

PLEASE STAND

THE APOSTLES' CREED

(Public confession is faith's response to God's saving Word.)

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**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.**

BE SEATED

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. 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.

PLEASE STAND

Prayer of the Church

M: Blessed are you, O Lord, and blessed is your name forever and ever.

C: **Blessed are you, O Lord, and blessed is your Word forever and ever.**

M: Blessed are you, O Lord, and blessed is your Son Jesus forever and ever. O God, we praise you for your mercies. You have redeemed our life from destruction and crowned us with loving-kindness.

C: **You have not dealt with us as our sins deserved, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.**

M: Out of your unspeakable grace and mercy, you gave your only Son to be made sin for us that we might have eternal life.

C: **We bless and praise you that through faith in Christ we are delivered from the bondage of sin into the glorious liberty of your children.**

M: Cause your gospel to be preached in all lands and in every language. Maintain your Church in the true faith as one body under Christ.

C: **Deliver us from the works of the wicked and preserve us in all dangers through which we must pass.**

M: **To all who suffer sickness, pain, disease, affliction or adversity of body, mind or spirit, give the strength that will enable them to bear their cross and the spirit of him who taught us to pray, "Your will be done."**

Special prayers of thanksgiving or intercession may be spoken here

M: O Father, in the glorious name of your Son and for his kingdom's sake, we pray these things.

C: Amen.

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.

BE SEATED

HYMN, CW #115, "HE STOOD BEFORE THE COURT"



1 He stood be - fore the court On trial in - stead of
 2 These are the crimes that tell The tale of hu - man
 3 The sen - tence must be passed, The un - known pris - 'ner
 4 Shall we be judged and tried? In Christ our trial is



us; He met its pow'r to hurt, Con - demned to
 guilt; Our sins, our death, our hell— On these the
 killed; The price is paid, at last, The law of
 done; We live, for he has died, Our con - dem -



face the cross— Our King, ac - cused of treach - er -
 case is built. To this world's pow'rs the Lord stays
 God ful - filled. He takes our blame, and from that
 na - tion gone. In Christ are we both dead and



y; Our God, a - bused for blas - phe - my!
 dumb. The guilt is ours; no an - swers come.
 day Th' ac - cu - ser's claim is wiped a - way.
 raised, A - live and free— his name be praised!

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FINAL PRAYER

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things that you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death; we pray this and all things through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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



BE SEATED

HYMN, CW #322, "ON WHAT HAS NOW BEEN SOWN"



1 On what has now been sown Your bless - ing, Lord, be -
2 To you our wants are known; From you are all our
3 Oh, grant that each of us Now met be - fore you



stow; The pow'r is yours a - lone To make it
pow'rs. Ac - cept what is your own And par - don
here May meet to - geth - er thus When you and



spring and grow. O Lord, in grace the har - vest
what is ours. Our prais - es, Lord, and prayers re -
yours ap - pear And fol - low you to heav'n, our



raise And you a - lone shall have the praise!
ceive And to your Word a bless - ing give.
home. E'en so, A - men! Lord Je - sus, come!

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, abr., adapt., alt.
Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH (66 66 88) John Darwall, 1731–89.

WELS CONNECTION VIDEO

The WELS Connection is a brief 5 minute video that highlights some of the work in which we are privileged to participate through our Wisconsin Synod. The ministries that are highlighted in this video are funded through our Congregational Mission Offerings. Please take note of the "WELS Connection Close-up" companion piece in your worship folder for additional information.

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Copies of today's sermon and last week's sermon can be found on the table in the narthex on the way out of church. You can also find them on our website at www.northdalelutheran.org. In addition, all of our services are live streamed & can be viewed through the live streaming link located on our church website. We also e-mail out daily devotions. If you would like to receive

these daily devotions, please e-mail Pastor Vann at pastor@northdalelutheran.org and let him know. You can also become a friend on Facebook.



Announcements:

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Our Sunday morning Bible Study is studying through the Four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John). This class takes a look at the life of Jesus in a chronological order. It is a great way to become more acquainted with your Savior Jesus and know all that he did to live as your substitute here on this earth. It is through the study of God's Word that we remain connected to our Savior and grow in our faith and godly living. This is a great time for you to begin coming to Bible Study on Sunday. We hope to see you on Sunday morning.

Camp South Registration Open: Registration is now open for Camp South. Camp South is a youth camp for all students entering grades 4-9. Camp South will be held July 22-26 in Covington, GA. Registration is \$295 per attendee (before April 30) and \$320 (after April 30). You can register at www.sadcamps.com.

WELS International Youth Rally-Vision 20/20: The WELS International Youth Rally exists to provide youth and youth leaders from across the synod a large-scale worship, education, fellowship, recreation and service opportunity that deepens commitment to Christ and his church. It is open to youth entering grades 9-12. It will be held at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, TN, June 23-26, 2020. The cost is: \$375. (Registration runs from March 2-May 29. The early deadline is April 30. After this, the rate is \$395/person.) You can find more information at www.wels.net/youthrally.

Martin Luther College Matching Grant Program: Martin Luther College, our WELS College of Ministry, has designed a program to help congregations support and encourage their young people to study for the pastoral or teaching ministry. The matching grant program will match up to \$1,000 given by a congregation for each student. So if the congregation can raise \$1,000, the student will receive another \$1,000 from MLC for a total of \$2,000 in aid. The Ministry Leadership Team authorized a drive to raise \$1,000 in support of Tabitha Vannieuwenhoven who is attending Martin Luther College. If you are interested in helping to support Tabitha as she studies to be a teacher, you can place your checks in the offering plate and mark them: MLC Congregational Match. Thank you in advance for your support of this program. We at Northdale Lutheran have benefitted greatly from the pastors and teachers trained from Martin Luther College. This is a great way to support and encourage our own members to pursue this career.

Mid-Week Lent Worship: As we continue on our solemn journey of Lent toward the cross of Jesus, we continue with our mid-week worship. Our Wednesday services will follow the theme: The Son of God Goes Off to War. We offer worship every Wednesday during Lent at 2:00 and 6:30 p.m. Catechism will start with worship first and then meet after until 8:00 p.m. This is an

important time as we prepare our hearts for the celebration of Easter. Please start planning to set aside this important time of reflection and worship.

Luther Prep Gala: Every year, Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, WI holds a Gala event in April. The Gala Event is an evening of: Christian fellowship, hors d'oeuvres, silent auction, elegant dinner, and live entertainment. The main focus of the even is to support the mission of LPS! The support from this event is especially focused on tuition assistance and Project Timothy. This year's event will held at Luther Prep on Saturday, April 18 from 5:00 -9:00 pm. Because we have students who attend there and because we have partnered with Luther Prep in the Project Timothy program, Luther Prep approached us with the opportunity to support a table at this year's event. After discussion at our last MLT meeting, our Leadership voted to support a table at this event at the \$600 level. Their reasoning was fourfold: 1) These young people are the next pastors and teachers in our church body and we have been blessed through the pastors and teachers who have served here; 2) we have 3 students from our church who have attended or are currently attending the school with more to come in the next few years; 3) we have benefitted from Project Timothy the past 3 years which has come at relatively no cost to our congregation; and 4) we significantly reduced our mission offering to the synod this year and this provides us a way to help offset that. The Leadership is asking 3 things from our congregation: 1) Will you consider donating to help cover this \$600 cost? You can label your checks or envelope: Luther Prep Gala; 2) Do you know of anyone in the Milwaukee or Watertown area who would enjoy attending this event? Our donation comes with 8 seats at the table. If you know of someone who would enjoy attending, please talk with Pastor Vann. If we don't fill the seats, Luther Prep will open them to other guests who are supporters of the school; and 3) Consider participating in the auction. This year, the auction will be online and people all over the world can participate. You can find more information about the Gala and the auction as www.lps.wels.net. Look under Support LPS>Gala. If you have any questions, you can speak with Pastor Vann about them.

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This Week:

Monday (3/23): 6:30pm - Evangelism
7:30pm- Worship Team

Tuesday (3/24): 6:30pm - Bible Information Class

Wednesday (3/25): 2:00pm - Lent Worship
6:30pm - Lent Worship

Thursday (3/26): 6:30pm - Financial Advice Team
7:30pm - Elders Team

Sunday (10/20): 8:00 & 10:30am - Worship
9:15am – Teen Bible Study and Sunday School for Children
9:25am – Adult Bible Study

Serving Today

Music: 8:00— Rachel Wilson
10:30 Nick Koren

Ushers: 8:00—Brian Busch
10:30 —Joe Picone & Kim Schacker

Acolyte: 8:00—Sean Corrigan
10:30—Lily Vannieuwenhoven

Elder: David Mosakowski

Serving Next Week

Music: Dane Mattes

Ushers: 8:00—Tom Faucette
10:30 —Chris Teeples

Acolyte: 8:00—Daniel Busch
10:30—Hailey Mattes

Elder: David Mosakowski

Attendance Last Week

8:00 a.m.—25
10:30 a.m.—58
Total: 83
Yearly Average: 107
% of Members in Worship: 43%

Financial Information

Contributions for 3/11: \$273.00
Contributions for 3/15: \$1,721.00
Online Contributions for 3/15: \$2,620.00
Contributions budgeted: \$4,423.08
Contributions budgeted to date: \$163,653.96
Contributions received to date: \$169,632.91
Ahead or (Short) through 3/15/20: \$5,978.95

Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future

Total Gifts Pledged to the Project: \$370,000.00
Total Gifts last week: \$14,420.00
Total received to date: \$355,563.42
Projected Completion date: March 2020

Martin Luther College Congregational Partner Program

Goal to raise: \$1,000.00 by June 1
Gifts this week: \$125.00
Total Gifts received to date: \$562.50

Luther Prep Gala

Goal to raise: \$600.00
Gifts this past week: \$50.00
Total gifts received to date: \$75.00

2019-2020 Year to Date Actuals Through January 31

Total Income (Church and School): \$377,426.24
Total Expenses (Church and School): \$346,990.15
Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: \$30,436.09