



NORTHDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH TAMPA, FL MAY 31, 2020

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

THE DAY OF PENTECOST

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

This day marked the birthday of the New Testament Church and celebrates the harvest of souls won by the Son and gathered by his servants empowered by his Spirit. Our risen Lord now empowers his people to be witnesses of the resurrection for the world.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY SERVICE NOTES

God gave Northdale Lutheran Church a wonderful blessing in being able to open a Lutheran Elementary school in 2000. For twenty years now, we have been able to assist parents in the training of their children in the ways of the Lord. He has provided many dedicated and faithful teachers and volunteers to give our students a top-notch education. Christian Education Sunday gives us the opportunity to praise God and celebrate the great blessing he has given to us by providing a Lutheran Elementary School for our children. We not only thank him for this blessing, but commit ourselves to supporting with prayers and offerings this wonderful place where our children can grow in their knowledge of him.

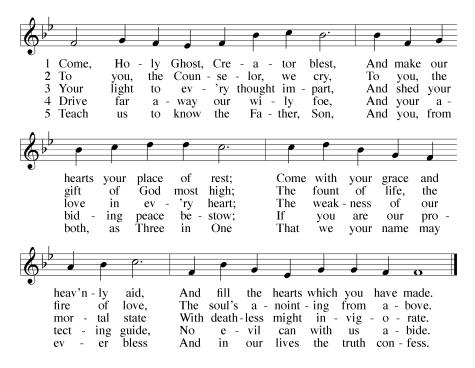
RETURNING TO WORSHIP GUIDELINES

Because of the care for the health of our members, we offer the following guidelines in returning to worship:

- We discourage hand shaking for a while, especially until people are more comfortable.
- We encourage you to wear masks in worship though they are not mandatory. We do
 not have any masks available so you will have to bring your own.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be provided.
- We encourage people to sit with space between families.
- Rather than passing the offering plates during the offering, we will leave the offering plates by the back door for people to drop their offerings in on the way in or out of worship. We encourage members to set up online giving through Breeze.
- Though before this all happened we offered the Common Cup to those who were comfortable taking it, we will offer only the Individual Cup for a while until we are confident that a second wave has passed. When in line for Communion, we ask people to be sure to keep a safe distance of 6 ft between people. We will also usher up fewer people at a time to communicants can spread out while receiving the Lord's Supper.
- We will refrain from passing the friendship pads.
- We will make as many worship folders as needed and not share between services.
 People are encouraged to take their worship folders home instead of leaving them here. We are looking into adding screens to project the worship folder in front of the people.
- To help keep space after worship, the ushers will usher each row out one at a time.
- We will still offer the service on both YouTube and Facebook Live for those not comfortable attending worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN, CW #177, "COME, HOLY GHOST, CREATOR BLEST"



6 Praise we the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, with them One, And may the Son on us bestow The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

Text: attr. Rhabanus Maurus, 776–856, abr.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–78, alt. Tune: Komm, Gott Schöpfer (LM) Klug, Geistliche lieder auffs new gebessert, Wittenberg, 1533.

PLEASE STAND

INVOCATION

M(inister): The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and

the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C(ongregtion): And also with you.

DIALOGUE FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

M: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise,

C: His greatness no one can fathom.

M: One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts. They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty and I will meditate on your wonderful works. They will tell of the power of your awesome works and I will proclaim your great deeds. They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

C: The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.

M: All you have made will praise you, O Lord, your saints will extol you. They will tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might, so that all men might know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

C: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations.

M: Yet all of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags. We all shrivel up like a leaf and like the wind our sins sweep us away.

C: No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and made us waste away because of our sins.

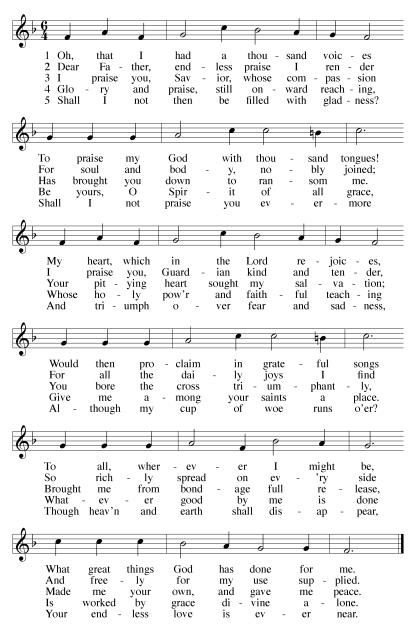
M: Before you, our holy and righteous God, we confess the sins that we have committed by the things we have done and the things we have left undone. We confess that we are sinful from birth, that by nature we are hostile to you, and that we sin daily in thought, word and deed.

C: We confess all of our sins to you, O Lord, and know that we deserve your righteous and eternal punishment. We plea for your mercy and for the sake of Jesus our Savior, we pray that you forgive our sins and assure us of your grace.

M: God tells us in Scripture, "Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows...He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him and by his wounds we are healed." In Jesus, your Savior, your sins are forgiven. As far as the east is from the west, so far have they been removed from God's sight. Through faith you are his children and heirs of eternal life. Rejoice in Jesus your Savior! Rejoice in the eternal life that is yours!

PRAYER AND PRAISE

SONG OF PRAISE, CW #194, "OH, THAT I HAD A THOUSAND VOICES" (VS. 1, 3, 5)



Text: Johann Mentzer, 1658–1734, abr.; tr. composite.
Tune: O DASS ICH TAUSEND ZUNGEN HÄTTE (DRETZEL) (98 98 88) Cornelius H. Dretzel, 1697–1775, alt.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED

THE WORD OF GOD*



THE FIRST LESSON: JOEL 2:28-29

This Lesson serves as the Sermon Text for this morning.

"And afterward,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your old men will dream dreams,

your young men will see visions.

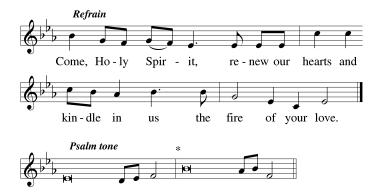
²⁹Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

*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 51B



Refrain

O Lord, open <u>my</u> lips,* and my mouth will declare your praise.

You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would <u>bring</u> it;* you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;*
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise

Refrain

Create in me a pure <u>heart</u>, O God,* and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me from your <u>presence</u>* or take your Holy Spirit <u>from</u> me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,* and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,*
and sinners will turn back to you.

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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THE SECOND LESSON: ACTS 2:1-21

The real miracle of Pentecost is the transformative gift of the Holy Spirit, taking timid followers of Jesus and making them bold witnesses who carried the Gospel to the world.

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" ¹²Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

17" 'In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your young men will see visions,

your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

¹⁹I will show wonders in the heavens above

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. ²¹And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

PLEASE STAND

THE GOSPEL LESSON: JOHN 16:5-11

At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit fulfilled this promise of Jesus as the Counselor who would work on the world by dwelling in his disciples.

but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things. ⁷But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because people do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; ¹¹and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

BE SEATED



SERMON HYMN, CW #176, "COME, HOLY GHOST, GOD AND LORD"



Text: German hymn, 15th century, st. 1; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, st. 2-3; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt. Tune: KOMM, HEILIGER GEIST, HERRE GOTT (78 88 88 8 10 8) *Eyn Enchiridion oder Handbüchlein*, Erfurt, 1524.

SERMON TEXT: JOEL 2:28-29

SERMON THEME:

Go With the Spirit!

THANKSGIVING

PLEASE STAND

CONFESSION OF FAITH—THE APOSTLES CREED

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.

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OFFERING

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.

Because of the social distancing guidelines put out by the CDC, we will not be passing the offering plates nor the friendship pads around during the service. There are offering plates just behind the back row of chairs for you to place your offerings in on the way in and out of worship. If you haven't done so yet, we encourage you to set up online giving 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

THE 8:00 A.M SERVICE CONTINUES ON PAGE 13 WITH THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

10:30 A.M. ONLY—BE SEATED

THE RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

OUR 8TH GRADE STUDENTS: DYLAN BAILEY

KAYLEE JAPAK TYLER RINCHUSE

MICAH VANNIEUWENHOVEN

CLASS VERSE: PHILIPPIANS 3:13B-14 "FORGETTING WHAT IS BEHIND AND STRAINING TOWARD WHAT IS AHEAD, I PRESS ON TOWARD THE GOAL TO WIN THE PRIZE FOR WHICH GOD HAS CALLED ME HEAVENWARD IN CHRIST JESUS."

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Let us pray to the God of all knowledge and wisdom that the Church may be renewed and strengthened for her mission.

Silent prayer.

M: O Lord, you have revealed your good and gracious will to your people on earth. Forgive us for pursuing that knowledge that serves only our selfish desires and for using what we have learned to exploit and hurt others. Cleanse our guilty hearts of the apathy we feel for searching out the deeper truths of your Word.

C: Holy Spirit, hear our prayer that we may put self aside and rejoice in the truth that builds up.

M: Heavenly Father, send the Spirit of Jesus into our hearts so that like the Bereans of old we eagerly learn of you. As the deer pants for streams of water, may we be instilled with a longing to explore the mysteries of your grace.

C: Holy Spirit, increase in us the knowledge of your truth.

M: As you sent your Son among us as the Word made flesh, so bless the efforts of schools, colleges, and seminaries to train those who proclaim your presence among us in Word and sacrament.

C: Holy Spirit, instill in us a desire to teach others the wisdom of your ways.

M: God of light, give to the Church renewed wisdom and fresh understanding that the message of your salvation may shine ever brighter in this dark age.

C: Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love so that others may see our good deeds and praise our Father in heaven.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Holy Spirit, renew the face of the earth so that at the name of Jesus every knee may bow.

C: May your peace, which transcends all understanding, guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

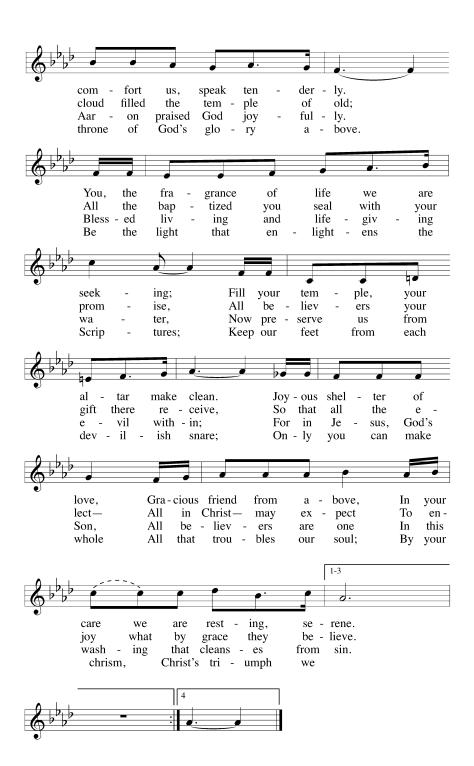
LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BE SEATED

FINAL HYMN, CW #723, "HOLY SPIRIT, THE DOVE SENT FROM HEAVEN"





FINAL PRAYER

M:

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your Holy Word and Sacrament, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, 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.



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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:

<u>Christian Education Sunday:</u> Today is our annual Christian Education Sunday. This is an opportunity for us to give thanks to God for the many avenues he gives to us to grow as his children. One of those avenues is our Lutheran Elementary School. In our 10:30 a.m. service, not only will the children from our Elementary School sing, but we will recognize our 8th grade students who are graduating from our school as well as our kindergartners who have completed their first year of school. Congratulations to our graduates. We pray for God's richest blessings on your next level of education.

Sunday Morning Bible Study: This Sunday, we return to our regular Bible Study at 9:25. We've been working our way through the Gospels. We will also offer the opportunity for you to join us through Google Meet for those who are not comfortable joining us in person. The link for this meeting on Google Meet is: https://meet.google.com/ozg-oixf-pps.

Call Accepted: Last Sunday after worship, Pastor Vann announced that he has accepted the call to serve as Dean of Students at Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, WI. His last Sunday here at Northdale will be June 21. Pastor thanks you for the prayers and encouragement throughout his ministry here, but especially these past few weeks. The Ministry Leadership Team is already working with our District President, Pastor Chuck Westra, to schedule a pre-call meeting to replace Pastor as well as working with him for a teacher to replace Amy. The pre-call meeting serves to inform the congregation as to the process moving forward. At that meeting, he will solicit information via a survey which will help him to know the qualities, skills and characteristics that you are looking for in your next pastor. After that, a call meeting will be scheduled and he will provide a list of candidates for you to select your next pastor from. The MLT will pass along any information they have about this as soon as it becomes available.

Call Meeting Scheduled: The Ministry Leadership Team has also scheduled a Call Meeting for Wednesday, June 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Our District President, Pastor Chuck Westra will be here to conduct the meeting in person. This is when Northdale will issue a call to replace me as pastor. It is important that we have as many of our members present for this meeting as possible. Please make plans to attend. If you aren't able to attend in person, you will be able to attend via Google Meet. More information will be put out as this date gets close. If you have any questions about this, please contact Jeff Berg at (727) 534-1679 or jeffrey.berg@floridamoves.com.

<u>Call Survey:</u> Each member is encouraged to fill out a congregational survey which will help our District President in putting together a list of candidates for Northdale Lutheran to call. You can access the survey here: 'Congregation Survey for the Calling of a Pastor'. The sooner that you can fill out this survey the better. Having them filled out by June 1 or 2 is best. Every member should take the time to fill this out. The more people who participate, the better picture Pastor Westra has as he puts together the call list. The survey link was sent out by email through the Daily Devotion this week and will be sent again tomorrow. If you need it, please contact Pastor Vann or Dane Mattes and they will send it to you. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Jeff Berg at (727) 534-1679 or jeffrey.berg@floridamoves.com.

Vacation Bible School: At the Ministry Leadership Team meeting this past week., our leaders decided to move forward with Vacation Bible School this summer though in a modified format. They made this decision after discussing the state opening summer camps this summer. We will offer VBS for ages 3-6. We are limiting this for a couple of reasons. The Project Timothy team will not be able to join us this summer to help out as in years past. With Pastor Vann's family leaving, that also takes some workers away. We want to have VBS because we get so many contacts through it but we also want to be able to manage what we have. So we will hold VBS for ages 3-6 July 13-17. The price remains the same. Registration is available through our website. We will also need volunteers to help with this. More information about an organizational meeting will be coming out in the next couple of weeks. If you are interested in helping out, please keep an eye out for that information.

Camp South Registration Open: At this time, registration is now open for Camp South. They are planning to hold off any decision about Camp South until we get closer. The hope is that the bans will be lifted by this time. The Camp South Leadership has also been in contact with the FFA Camp who insures that they are doing everything possible to sterilize the cabins and facilities during this time. 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. You can register at www.sadcamps.com.

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This Week:

Sunday (6/7): 8:00 & 10:30am - Worship

9:25am – Adult Bible Study

Serving Today

Music: 8:00 - Chris Haring

10:30 - Nick Koren

Ushers: 8:00-

10:30 -

Acolyte: 8:00—Daniel Bush

10:30—Micah Vannieuwenhoven

Elder: David Mosakowski

Serving Next Week

Music: Elyse Vannieuwenhoven

Ushers: 8:00-

10:30 —

Acolyte: 8:00- Sean Corrigan

10:30-Tyler Berg

Elder: David Mosakowski

Financial Information

Contributions for 5/24: \$554.09

Online Contributions through 5/24: \$2,524.00 Contributions budgeted per week: \$4,423.08 Contributions budgeted to date: \$207,884.76 Contributions received to date: \$216,476.82 Ahead or (Short) through 5/24/20: \$8,592.06

2019-2020 Year to Date Actuals Through April 30

Total Income (Church and School): \$547,527.82 Total Expenses (Church and School): \$481,632.84

Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: \$65,894.78

Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future

Total Gifts Pledged to the Project: \$370,000.00

Received Last Week: \$408.00

Total received to date: \$358,439.42