

### NORTHDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH TAMPA, FL JUNE 14, 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"

# THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER 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:

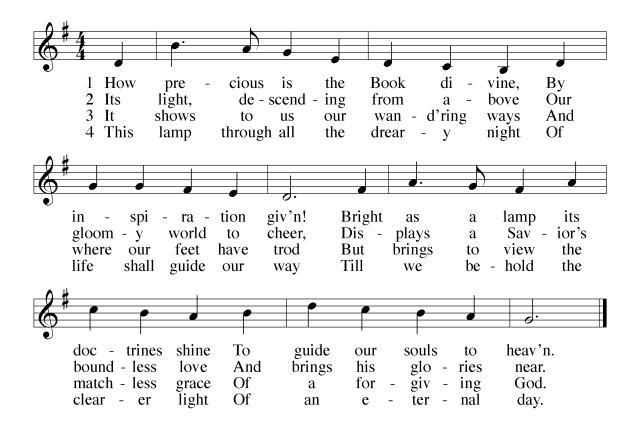
- Restrooms are in the entrance and through the nursery hallway.
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- Handicapped accessible restroom facilities are located through the nursery hallway and back in the preschool area.
- To help keep the sanctuary as a quiet place of worship and meditation 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

The Holy Ministry stands on the rock-solid truth of God's word. Many will come with wise sounding words and pious promises, but they are not what they seem. The Church's only defense is to stand firmly on the rock-solid truth of God's word.

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**



**OPENING HYMN, CW #284, "HOW PRECIOUS IS THE BOOK DIVINE"** 

Text: John Fawcett, 1740–1817, abr., alt.

Tune: WALDER (CM) Johann J. Walder, 1750–1817.

PLEASE STAND

### INVOCATION

(The name of the triune God reminds worshipers of their baptisms.)

- M: We worship today in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- M: Since we are assembled to hear God's Word and to call upon Him in prayer, let us consider our unworthiness, confess our sin before God, and call upon him for forgiveness and restoration.

If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins,

- C: O Lord, who could stand?
- M: But with you there is forgiveness;
- C: Therefore you are feared.

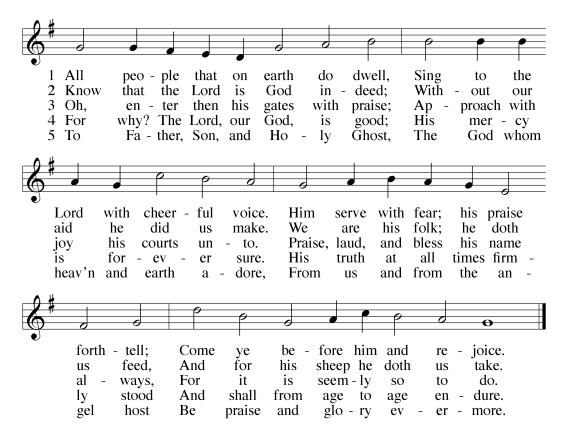
#### CONFESSION

All: I confess to you, Almighty God, that I have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by my own fault. I have not loved you above all things nor have I loved my neighbor as myself. But I am truly sorry for my sins and sincerely repent of them. I pray for your forgiveness and the mercy you have promised in Jesus Christ, who suffered and died for my sin. Grant me the aid of your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.

#### 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". 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.



Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1593, alt.

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH (LM) Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M:

Let us pray.

O God, you rule over all things in wisdom and kindness. Take away everything that may be harmful and give us whatever is good; 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 FIRST LESSON: DEUTERONOMY 11:18-21, 26-28

When God spoke these words through the ministry of Moses, he meant for them to have a home in our hearts. We fix this rock-solid truth in our hearts and minds.

Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. <sup>19</sup>Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. <sup>20</sup>Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates, <sup>21</sup>so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land the Lord swore to give your ancestors, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.

<sup>26</sup>See, I am setting before you today a blessing and a curse — <sup>27</sup>the blessing if you obey the commands of the Lord your God that I am giving you today; <sup>28</sup>the curse if you disobey the commands of the Lord your God and turn from the way that I command you today by following other gods, which you have not known.



#### \*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 78





#### Refrain

Shout for joy to the LORD, <u>all</u> the earth.\* Worship the LORD with <u>glad</u>ness;

come before him with joyful songs.\* Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us, and <u>we</u> are his;\* we are his people, the sheep of his <u>pas</u>ture.

#### Refrain

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his <u>courts</u> with praise;\* give thanks to him and <u>praise</u> his name.

For the LORD is good and his love endures for<u>ev</u>er;\* his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son\* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,\* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

#### Refrain

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#### THE SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 3:21-28

Only through Christ's cross could both the Law and the Gospel be upheld. Only through Christ's cross could all God's words be kept. Only through Christ's cross could God be both just and justifier. Only through Christ's cross could man be justified by faith. That is rock-solid truth.

But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. <sup>22</sup>This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. <sup>25</sup>God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— <sup>26</sup>he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. <sup>28</sup>For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.

#### VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Alleluia.

PLEASE STAND

#### THE GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 7:15-29

This Lesson serves as the Sermon Text for today.

"Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves. <sup>16</sup>By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? <sup>17</sup>Likewise, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. <sup>18</sup>A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. <sup>19</sup>Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>20</sup>Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them.

<sup>21</sup> "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. <sup>22</sup>Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?' <sup>23</sup>Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'

<sup>24</sup> "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup>The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. <sup>26</sup>But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. <sup>27</sup>The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

<sup>28</sup>When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, <sup>29</sup>because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

SERMON HYMN, CW #190, "WE NOW IMPLORE GOD THE HOLY GHOST"

0 1 We im - plore God the Ho ly Ghost now \_ 2 Shine in our hearts, Ο most pre - cious Light, 3 O sa - cred Love, be stow, grace on us -4 O high - est Com - fort in need, 'ry ev 0 For the faith which true we need the most, That we Je sus Christ know right, may а \_ heav'n - ly with Set our hearts fire а glow Grant that nei ther shame death heed nor we That in our last he be mo ments may \_ Cling Sav blood \_ ing to our ior, whose has \_ That with hearts nit ed we love each u \_ \_ That e'en then our cour age may nev er friend And, home ward us as we jour - ney, Who bought a gain to our home - land us. oth Of mind, in peace with er, one ev fail When foe us the shall ac cuse and \_  $\overline{}$ . θ tend at us. Lord, have mer cy! brought Lord, has have mer cy! us. -'ry broth Lord, have mer cy! er. sail Lord, have mer cy! as us. -

Text: German hymn, c. 13th century, st. 1; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, st. 2-4; tr. composite. Tune: NUN BITTEN WIR (99 11 10 4) *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524, alt. SERMON TEXT: MATTHEW 7:15-29

SERMON THEME:

### Don't Be a Moron!

### 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.

#### 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

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

#### C: We confess that without your love we are lost.

M: Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

## C: Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.

M: Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.

#### C: By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.

- M: Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.
- C: Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.

M: Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

## C: Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

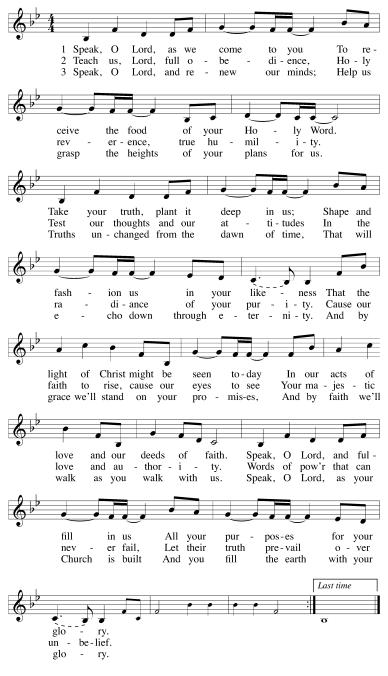
M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- M: Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.



 Tune:
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#### FINAL PRAYER

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, 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>Sunday Morning Bible Study</u>: 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: <u>https://meet.google.com/ozg-oixf-pps</u>.

**<u>Pastor Call Extended:</u>** This past week, the congregation called Pastor Douglas Tomhave to serve as the next pastor. Pastor Tomhave is currently serving at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Lake Mills, WI. Please keep Pastor and his family in his prayers as he deliberates both his call to serve where he is currently at and the call that you have extended him to serve here.

Congregational Meeting Called: The Ministry Leadership Team has called a congregational meeting for today after the second service. The purpose of this meeting is to take care of some business regarding calls for our school. To cover the teaching vacancy Northdale is facing because Amy Vann is leaving, the Ministry Leadership Team needed to act fast. We are already past the deadline of being able to call teachers who are currently serving other calls. We are also past the assigning of graduates from Martin Luther College. With limited options available and time sensitive, the School Ministry Board in consultation with the Ministry Leadership Team was able to work with Martin Luther College to have an emergency teacher assigned for one year. Mr. Ethan Jaeger from Watertown, SD has accepted the emergency one-year call to teach here at Northdale Christian Academy. We are very thankful for this. Mr. Jaeger has finished his 4th year of school which includes his elementary school student teaching. After he completes his year here, he will return to Martin Luther College to finish his fifth year which would make him eligible for teaching in high school. At the congregational meeting, the congregation will need to ratify this one-year, emergency call. At this meeting, the congregation will also be asked to renew the one year, part time calls of Joanne Mattes and Bethany Schwartz. Their current calls expire on June 30. The Ministry Leadership Team along with the School Ministry Board is recommending the one-year calls be renewed while keeping the option open to expand them to full-time if the need demands it because of increased enrollment.

<u>Vacation Bible School</u>: 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.

**<u>Camp South Closed</u>**: Toward the end of last week, we received word that Camp South was officially cancelled for this coming summer. While this is a sad development, we understand the reasoning behind it given the state of our world at this time. We are hopeful that it will be able to resume next summer as normal.

**Pastor Vann's Last Sunday:** Next Sunday is Pastor Vann's last Sunday leading us in worship as our pastor. The Vann's will be packing their moving truck on Monday, June 22 and will leave Tampa on Tuesday, June 23. After a week of vacation with Amy's family in Asheville, NC, they will arrive in Watertown, WI on June 30. Their phone numbers will remain the same and their email addresses will be: **pastorvann@gmail.com** and **amyvann99@gmail.com**. But after this time their address will be:

501 Tower Rd. Watertown, WI 53094

#### Called Staff

Pastor Charlie Vannieuwenhoven: 813-787-4854 Principal Dane Mattes: 920-588-7599 Aimee Hardman: 813-464-5113 Christopher Haring: 517-202-7283 Joanne Mattes: 920-588-7596 Bethany Schwartz: 920-222-9279 Amy Vannieuwenhoven: 813-787-5025

#### This Week:

Thursday (6/18)	6:30pm - Financial Advice Team
Sunday (6/21)	8:00 & 10:30am - Worship
	9:25am – Adult Bible Study

#### **Serving Today**

Music: Tabitha Vannieuwenhoven Ushers: 8:00— 10:30— Acolyte: 8:00—Daniel Busch 10:30—Nicholas Koestler Elder: David Mosakowski

#### **Serving Next Week**

Music: Dane Mattes Ushers: 8:00-10:30 -Acolyte: 8:00-Sean Corrigan 10:30-Noah Raines Elder: David Mosakowski

#### **Attendance Last Week**

8:00 a.m. — 12 10:30 a.m. — 46 Total: 58 Yearly Average: 98 % of Members in Worship: 39%

#### **Financial Information**

Contributions for 6/7: \$1,730.00 Contributions online through 6/7: \$1,459.00 Contributions budgeted: \$4,423.08 Contributions budgeted to date: \$216,730.92 Contributions received to date: \$224,113.53 Ahead or (Short) through 6/17/20: \$7,382.61

#### **Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future**

Total Gifts Pledged to the Project: \$370,000.00 Received Last Week: \$145.00 Total received to date: \$359,034.42

#### 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

## **Kids Page**



"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock." Matthew 7:24