



**NORTHDALÉ LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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*"WE GROW IN GOD'S WORD SO THAT WE CAN GO WITH GOD'S WORD"*

## THE NINETEENTH 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.
- ❖ 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

Our God Wants Us to Repent and Live.

# CALL TO WORSHIP

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

*THIS SERVICE OFFERS THE CONGREGATION A FORM OF WORSHIP THAT FOCUSES ON THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD. BELIEVERS RESPOND TO THIS DIVINE GIFT WITH PRAYER, PRAISE, AND THANKSGIVING.*

### OPENING HYMN, CW 302, "LORD, TO YOU I MAKE CONFESSION"



1 Lord, to you I make con - fes - sion: I have  
2 Yet, though con - science' voice ap - pall me, Fa - ther,  
3 For your Son has suf - fered for me, Giv'n him -  
4 Lord, on you I cast my bur - den— Sink it



sinned and gone a - stray; I have mul - ti - plied  
I will seek your face. Though your child I dare  
self to res - cue me, Died to save me and  
in the depths be - low! Let me know your gra -



trans - gres - sion, Cho - sen for my - self my way.  
not call me, Yet re - ceive me to your grace.  
re - store me, Rec - on - ciled and set me free.  
cious par - don; Wash me, make me white as snow.



Led by you to see my er - rors,  
Do not for my sins for - sake me;  
Je - sus' cross a - lone can van - quish  
Let your Spir - it leave me nev - er;



Lord, I trem - ble at your ter - rors.  
Do not let your wrath o'er - take me.  
These dark fears and soothe this an - guish.  
Make me on - ly yours for - ev - er.

Text: Johann Franck, 1618–77, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
Tune: HERR, ICH HABE MISSGEHANDELT (87 87 88) Johann Crüger, 1598–1662.

*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(ongregation): And also with you.**

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C: Amen.**

## **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

## SONG OF PRAISE



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -



ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -



ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.



Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Mercifully grant, O God, that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, for without your help we are unable to please you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.



## THE WORD OF GOD\*

### THE FIRST LESSON: EZEKIEL 18:1-4, 25-32

The word of the Lord came to me: <sup>2</sup> “What do you people mean by quoting this proverb about the land of Israel: “The fathers eat sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge”?

<sup>3</sup> “As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign Lord, you will no longer quote this proverb in Israel. <sup>4</sup> For every living soul belongs to me, the father as well as the son—both alike belong to me. The soul who sins is the one who will die.

<sup>25</sup> “Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear, O house of Israel: Is my way unjust? Is it not your ways that are unjust? <sup>26</sup> If a righteous man turns from his righteousness and commits sin, he will die for it; because of the sin he has committed he will die. <sup>27</sup> But if a wicked man turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he will save his life. <sup>28</sup> Because he considers all the offenses he has committed and turns away from them, he will surely live; he will not die. <sup>29</sup> Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Are my ways unjust, O house of Israel? Is it not your ways that are unjust?

<sup>30</sup> “Therefore, O house of Israel, I will judge you, each one according to his ways, declares the Sovereign Lord. Repent! Turn away from all your offenses; then sin will not be your downfall. <sup>31</sup> Rid yourselves of all the offenses you have committed, and get a new heart and a new spirit. Why will you die, O house of Israel? <sup>32</sup> For I take no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Sovereign Lord. Repent and live! (NIV84)

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#### \*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 25*

*Refrain*



To you, O Lord, I lift my soul; in you I trust, my God.

*Psalm tone*



Remember, O LORD, your great mercy and love,\*  
for they are from of old.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways;\*  
according to your love remember me,  
for you are good, O LORD.

***Refrain***

Turn to me and be gracious to me,\*  
for I am lonely and afflicted.

Look upon my affliction and my distress\*  
and take away all my sins.

Guard my life and rescue me,\*  
for I take refuge in 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***

Refrain Tune: Marty Haugen. © 1983 GIA Publications, Inc., Chicago, IL, www.giamusic.com. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

## THE SECOND LESSON: PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11

If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, <sup>2</sup> then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. <sup>4</sup> Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

<sup>5</sup> Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

<sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death— even death on a cross! <sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (NIV84)

### VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Alleluia. (Philippians 2:10,11)



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*PLEASE STAND*

## **THE GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 21:28-32**

*THIS WILL SERVE AS TODAY'S SERMON TEXT.*

“What do you think? There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work today in the vineyard.’

<sup>29</sup> “I will not,’ he answered, but later he changed his mind and went.

<sup>30</sup> “Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, ‘I will, sir,’ but he did not go.

<sup>31</sup> “Which of the two did what his father wanted?”

“The first,” they answered.

Jesus said to them, “I tell you the truth, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you. <sup>32</sup> For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe him. (NIV84)

M:            This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C:    Praise    be    to    you,    O    Christ!

*BE SEATED*

SERMON HYMN, CW #306, "BEFORE YOU, GOD, THE JUDGE OF ALL"



1 Be - fore you, God, the Judge of all, With grief and shame I  
2 O Lord, my God, to you I pray: Oh, cast me not in  
3 O Je - sus, let your pre-cious blood Be to my soul a



hum - bly fall. I see my sins a - gainst you, Lord,  
wrath a - way! Let your good Spir - it ne'er de - part,  
cleans - ing flood. Turn not, O Lord, your guest a - way,



My sins of thought and deed and word. They press me  
But let him draw to you my heart That tru - ly  
But grant that jus - ti - fied I may Go to my



sore; to you I flee: O God, be mer - ci - ful to me!  
pen - i - tent I be: O God, be mer - ci - ful to me!  
house at peace to be: O God, be mer - ci - ful to me!

Text: Magnus B. Landstad, 1802–80; tr. Carl Döving, 1867–1937, alt.

Tune: VATER UNSER IM HIMMELREICH, DER DU (88 88 88) attr. Martin Luther, 1483–1546.

**SERMON TEXT: MATTHEW 21:28-32**

**SERMON THEME:**

***Which Child of the Father Are You?***

*PLEASE STAND*

## **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.**

*BE SEATED*

# THANKSGIVING

## 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.*

*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.*

*If electronic giving isn't for you, you are invited to drop off or mail your offerings to the church.*

*PLEASE STAND*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Lord God, heavenly Father, to you we lift our souls, in you we put our trust.

**C: We are mindful of your mercies; throughout our lives you have shown us your steadfast love.**

M: You have provided for our eternal salvation by sending us your Son Jesus Christ.

**C: For these countless gifts of your love and mercy, accept our adoration, praise, and Thanksgiving.**

M: You have kept your covenant, O Lord, with your chosen people.

**C: But we, your chosen people in Christ, have often broken your covenant.**

M: Despite our good intentions, we have not always turned away from wickedness.

**C: We have often questioned your justice, while remaining unjust ourselves.**

M: Selfishness and conceit have often kept us from being of the same mind.

**C: We lack the humility you require in our dealings with others.**

M: We have elevated ourselves by being inconsiderate of the needs of our neighbor.

**C: We have not adequately shown our appreciation for the sacrifice of your Son Jesus Christ.**

M: We have made promises to serve you and failed to keep our promises.

**C: For these, our countless transgressions, forgive us, Lord.**

M: Empower us by your Holy Spirit to show true love and empathy.

**C: Give us the spirit of Christ who humbled himself and became obedient unto death for our sakes.**

M: Give us the will and the discipline to fulfill your promises.

**C: Help us to be concerned about the affairs of others.**

M: Protect our nation from enemies within and without.

*Special Prayers and intercession*

M: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

*Silent Prayer*

M: In the name of him who suffered died and rose again for our Salvation

**C: Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray the prayer he has taught us.**

## **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 #469, "TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE"**



1 Take my life and let it be Con - se -  
 2 Take my hands and let them move At the  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing Al - ways,  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; Not a  
 5 Take my will and make it thine; It shall



cra - ted, Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments  
 im - pulse of thy love. Take my feet and  
 on - ly for my King. Take my lips and  
 mite would I with - hold. Take my in - tel -  
 be no long - er mine. Take my heart— it



and my days; Let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
 lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.  
 is thine own; It shall be thy roy - al throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
 At thy feet its treasure store.  
 Take myself, and I will be  
 Ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79.  
 Tune: PATMOS (77 77) William H. Havergal, 1793–1870.

*PLEASE STAND*

## PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: Grant us, Lord, the Spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, your Son, 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

All of our services are live streamed & can be viewed through the live streaming link located on our church website [www.NorthdaleLutheran.org](http://www.NorthdaleLutheran.org). We also email out daily devotions. If you would like to receive these daily devotions, please email the office at [office@northdalelutheran.org](mailto:office@northdalelutheran.org) and let us know. You can also become a friend on Facebook.

# Announcements:

## October 11 Congregation Update & Pastor Call Meeting

There will be a congregation meeting following the 10:30 AM worship service on Sunday October 11. The primary purpose of the meeting is to issue a pastor call. Prior to the call portion of the meeting, our leaders will update the congregation on a variety of topics. While there are many ministry opportunities worthy of celebration, we also have some areas that need renewed attention.

The meeting will be available online for those who are uncomfortable joining in person: <https://meet.google.com/nwv-ohnn-reb>. Pastor candidate profiles and voting directions will be shared with the online participants at the time of the meeting. We hope you can join us for the information session and call meeting.

## Vacancy Pastor

We thank Pastor Nuss for serving us with God's Word in Worship and Bible class today. Pastor Werner will lead us October 18. Pastor Joel Schwartz from Peace in Trinity, FL is serving us as coordinating vacancy pastor. We work with him to plan Sunday preachers and meet other pastoral needs of our congregation during this vacancy. Pastor Schwartz can be reached at the contact information below should you be in need of his assistance.

[pastorofpeace@hotmail.com](mailto:pastorofpeace@hotmail.com) Mobile: 727-938-6321

## Face Coverings for Worship

Ministry Leadership Team is requiring face coverings for the 8:00 AM service and Bible class at 9:25 AM. This requirement went into effect August 9. Children 7 years old and under are not required to wear face coverings. Face coverings will continue to be encouraged, but not required, for the 10:30 AM service. NLC will have disposable masks available for those who do not have their own. It is the intent of the MLT that this change would remove barriers which may exist for those who feel strongly about wearing masks while also presenting options for those who feel differently. We want our people to feel comfortable and safe while worshipping online or in-person.

## Called Staff

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**This Week:**

Monday (10/12): 6:30pm - Bible Information Class  
6:30pm - SMB Meeting  
Sunday (10/18): 8:00 & 10:30am - Worship  
9:25am - Adult Bible Study

**Serving Today**

Music: 8:00 - Chris Haring  
10:30 - Aiden Berg  
Acolyte: 10:30—Carolyn Mattes  
Elder: David Mosakowski

**Serving Next Week**

Music: 8:00 - Dane Mattes  
Ushers:  
Acolyte: 10:30—Hailey Mattes  
Elder: David Mosakowski

**Attendance Last Week**

8:00 a.m.— 10  
10:30 a.m.— 50  
Total: 60  
Yearly Average: 95  
% of Members in Worship: 39%

**2020-2021 Year to Date Offerings Through August 31**

General Offering Received: \$29,819.13  
General Offering Budgeted: \$41,538.46  
Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$11,719.33)  
Average Weekly Offerings Received (9 weeks): \$3,313.24  
Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (9 weeks): \$4,615.38

**Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future**

Total Gifts Pledged to the Project: \$370,000.00  
Received Last Week: \$175.00  
Total received to date: \$366,293.42

# Kids Pages

## The Parable of the Two Sons

"Which of the two did what his father wanted?" "The first," they answered. Matthew 21:31 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 20:28-32 (NIV)



Z I N C K I N G D O M L T R K  
T A K G D W M X V H N K T N W  
M Z O Y H W A Y V T I Z N W M  
Y W B R F T J Y X N M R S B O  
T D G S H E I L M O H Z N O G  
N R D Z F O T O D A Y F L L W  
H O U W T F L W O R K L O Y Y  
G H O T A H T G B E L I E V E  
G H Q S H D I Q Q G A R N V C  
S P U E H P J N V M V H S E P  
G G F Q U Z H S K V O F X S L  
J K U M J N N I A J J Y L O S  
V I N E Y A R D I E Q Z K N Q  
L U F A T H E R F R G A R S W  
D I O F E Y N D H E F W U W X

MAN	GOD	JOHN	KINGDOM	BELIEVE
THINK	TODAY	WAY	WORK	VINEYARD
SONS	FATHER	TWO	TRUTH	SHOW

# The Parable of the Two Sons

Complete the sentences by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the page.



"What do you think? There was a man who had two \_\_\_\_\_. He went to the first and said, 'Son, go and \_\_\_\_\_ today in the vineyard.'

" 'I will not,' he answered, but later he changed his mind and \_\_\_\_\_.

"Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, 'I will, sir,' but he did not \_\_\_\_\_.

"Which of the two did what his \_\_\_\_\_ wanted?"

"The \_\_\_\_\_," they answered.

Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the \_\_\_\_\_ of God ahead of you. For \_\_\_\_\_ came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not \_\_\_\_\_ him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And even after you saw this, you did not \_\_\_\_\_ and believe him.

Matthew 21:28-32 (NIV)

kingdom	work	first	go	repent
sons	went	father	John	believe