



NORTHDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH TAMPA, FL NOVEMBER 22, 2020

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

Fourth Sunday of End Time, Christ the King

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

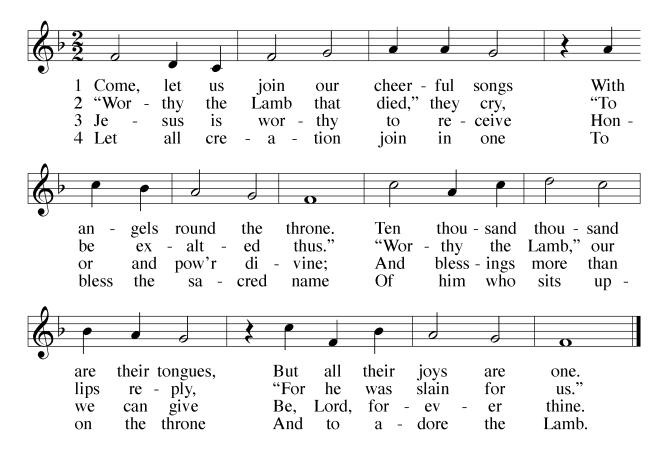
Lord, Keep Us Joyful in Christ Our King

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 227, "COME, LET US JOIN OUR CHEERFUL SONG"



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, abr., alt.

Tune: NUN DANKET ALL (CM) 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(ongregtion): 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



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





THE WORD OF GOD*

THE FIRST LESSON: EZEKIEL 34:11-16, 23, 24

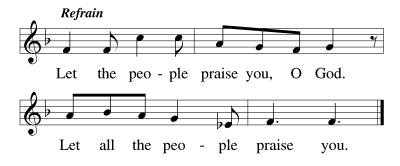
"For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. ¹² As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. ¹³ I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. ¹⁴ I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵ I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign Lord. ¹⁶ I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice.

²³ I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. ²⁴ I the Lord will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the Lord have spoken. (NIV)

*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 47





Clap your hands, all you <u>nations</u>;* shout to God with <u>cries</u> of joy.

How awesome is the <u>LORD</u> Most High,* the great King over <u>all</u> the earth!

God reigns over the <u>nations</u>;*
God is seated on his <u>ho</u>ly throne.

Refrain

God has ascended amid <u>shouts</u> of joy,* the LORD amid the sounding of <u>trumpets</u>.

Sing praises to God, sing <u>praises</u>;* sing praises to our King, sing <u>praises</u>.

For God is the King of <u>all</u> the earth;*
sing to him a <u>psalm</u> of praise.

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

Refrain

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THE SECOND LESSON: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-28

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²² For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. ²³ But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. ²⁴ Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷ For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. ²⁸ When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all. (NIV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. I am the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Alleluia. (Revelation 22:13)



PLEASE STAND

THE GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 27:27-31

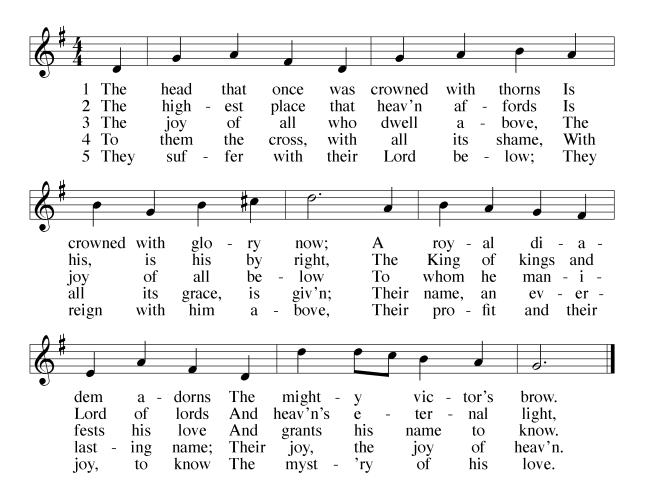
Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. ²⁸ They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹ and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said. ³⁰ They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. ³¹ After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him. (NIV)

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



BE SEATED

SERMON HYMN, CW #217, "THE HEAD THAT ONCE WAS CROWNED"



6 The cross he bore is life and health, Though shame and death to him; His people's hope, his people's wealth, Their everlasting theme.

Text: Thomas Kelly, 1769–1855.

Tune: St. Magnus (CM) Jeremiah Clarke, c. 1674–1707.

SERMON TEXT: MATTHEW 27:27-31

SERMON THEME:

Our King's Two Crowns

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: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power for ever and ever!
- C: Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory.
- M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased us for God. From every tribe and language and people and nation, you have called us into your kingdom and have made us believers set to serve you, our God and Father.
- C: Help us live faithfully.
- M: We give thanks to you, O Christ our Shepherd-King, because you have searched for us and found us. Lead us to the green pastures and quiet waters of your saving love, so that we may enjoy peace and comfort for our souls.
- C: Heal our hearts when they are broken with sin and guilt. Strengthen us when we are weak.
- M: O Christ our King, you have supremacy over all. You will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. You have destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Reign in our hearts that we may serve you more faithfully and speak more boldly to others of your saving love.

C: Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds. May the whole earth be filled with his glory.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. The kingdom of the world is the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he reigns for ever and ever, King of kings, and Lord of lords.
- C: The Lord God Almighty reigns! Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory!

 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 #341. "CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS"



Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–94, st. 1-2, 4, abr., alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3.

Tune: DIADEMATA (SM D) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

CLOSING PRAYER

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. We also email out daily devotions. If you would like to receive these daily devotions, please email the office at office@northdalelutheran.org and let us know. You can also become a friend on Facebook.

Announcements:

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

This Thanksgiving God unlocks for us the secret to contentment. God will lead us to say, "I am content, I have enough." Join us on Thanksgiving Eve, November 25, 6:30 pm for a special service of thanksgiving and praise. Pastor Schwartz (Vacancy Pastor) will be leading worship that evening.

Pastor Matthew Guse

At the call meeting on November 5, our congregation unanimously called Pastor Matthew Guse from St. Peter Lutheran Church in Fond du Lac, WI to serve as our next shepherd. Please keep Pastor Guse, his wife Elizabeth, and their family in your prayers during this time of deliberation. Our members are encouraged to reach out to Pastor Guse to share your perspective of our ministry here and to provide encouragement as he prayerfully considers serving among us. Feel free to email or text and set up a time to speak on the phone.

920.517.9000 cell (call or text) pastorguse@stpetersfdl.net

Vacancy Pastor

We thank Pastor Nuss for serving us with God's Word in Worship and Bible class today. Pastor Joel Schwartz from Peace in Trinity, FL is serving us as our 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 Mobile: 727-938-6321

Thanksgiving Food Drive Our annual Fall Food Drive has started and will continue through the first part of December. Every year at this time, we gather food to donate to Metropolitan Ministries to help feed those less fortunate than us. This is a great way for us to put our faith into action and to use what God has given us to his glory and to serve others. While we are not big enough here to host our own pantry, we collect food so that we can direct those who are needy to Metropolitan ministries to receive the physical help that they need. Please purchase and bring in non-perishable food items.

<u>Christmas Decorating</u> It's that time of year again for us to start thinking about decorating our church and grounds for Christmas. We will gather to do that on Saturday, November 28 starting at 10:00 AM. We'd love to have you join us.

Face Coverings for Worship

Last month the Ministry Leadership Team decided face coverings are required 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 worshiping online or in-person.

Called Staff

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This Week:

Monday (11/30) 6:30pm - MLT Meeting Sunday (11/29): 8:00 & 10:30am - Worship 9:25am - Adult Bible Study

Serving Today Serving Next Week

Music: 8:00 - Chris Haring Music: 8:00 - Dane Mattes

10:30 - Aiden Berg

Acolyte: 10:30—Aryssa Kingsborough Acolyte: 10:30—Noah Raines

Elder: David Mosakowski Elder: David Mosakowski

Attendance Last Week

8:00 a.m. — 16 10:30 a.m. — 46

Total: 62

Yearly Average: 95

% of Members in Worship: 39%

2020-2021 Year to Date Offerings Through October 31, 2020

General Offering Received: \$60,656 General Offering Budgeted: \$79,934 Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$19,278)

Average Weekly Offerings Received (17 weeks): \$3,568 Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (17 weeks): \$4,702

Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future

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

Received Last Week: \$633.00 Total received to date: \$368,109.42