



# Give Thanks

to the LORD, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.

1 CHRONICLES 16:34

# Northdale Lutheran Church | Tampa , FL

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*November 25, 2020*

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**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.
- **Quiet Room** - 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.
- **Worship Folder** - Everything you need for worship is printed in the worship folder.
- **Connection Cards** If you are visiting with us, please fill out a connection card at the Guest Services table in back. Please place it in the offering basket.

## THEME FOR TODAY

On this Thanksgiving God unlocks for us the secret to contentment. God has prepared a meal, a feast, that will bring lasting contentment. It will lead us to say, "I am content, I have enough." God bless your worship today.



# A SERVICE OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

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*The service focuses us on the proclamation of God's Word. Believers respond to this gift with prayer, praise and thanksgiving.*

## OPENING HYMN

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

*Stand*

♪ Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,  
Op'ning to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
Drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

♪ All thy works with joy surround thee  
Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays;  
Stars and angels sing around thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain  
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Singing bird, and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in thee.

♪ Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou are Father Christ our brother,  
All who live in love are thine,  
Teach us how to love each other,  
Lift us to the Joy divine!



## CALL TO WORSHIP

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

M: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

*Psalm 100*

**C: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**

M: Know that the Lord is God.

**C: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

M: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;

**C: Give thanks to him and praise his name.**

M: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;

**C: His faithfulness continues through all generations.**

## CONFESSION

M: My dear fellow believers in Jesus Christ, God calls you his "own treasure!" Let us worship him with clean hearts and a clear conscience as we respond to our Savior's grace, confessing our sin and pleading for his mercy:

**C: Lord God, I know that you look at me through your perfect Son, my Savior, Jesus. Therefore, you see only his holiness and perfection. Because I am your child, I want to confess my sin:**

**I admit that I have too often taken for granted all you have done and are doing for me. I have come to expect, as my right, that things ought to go as I want them to go. I find it easy to complain when they don't. I have shown ungratefulness to you, dear Lord, in my thoughts, words and actions. Forgive my sins, all of them, for the sake of Jesus. Lord, have mercy on me!**

## ABSOLUTION

M: God wants us to see ourselves as he sees us. We are not just sinful human beings, but we are a new creation, forgiven and restored through the cleansing of Jesus' sacrifice. Our Savior doesn't look to find fault with us, but to carry our faults upon himself and to pay for them all with his life on the cross. When he died our sins, all of them, were buried with him. Jesus arose from the dead and proved that all our sins are covered.

I can say under the authority of and in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit that you are forgiven and you are given the right and the power to live as children of God!

**C: Amen.**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* | **234** (v. 1,4,5)

♪ **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!**

**O my soul, praise him,**

**for he is your health and salvation!**

**Let all who hear now to his temple draw near**

**Joining in glad adoration!**

♪ **Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;**

**Surely his goodness and mercy**

**shall daily attend you.**

**Ponder anew what the almighty can do.**

**As with his love he befriends you.**

♪ **Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!**

**All that has life and breath,**

**Come now with praises before him!**

**Let the Amen sound from his people again;**

**Gladly forever adore him!**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**



## The Word

### FIRST LESSON

*Deuteronomy 8:10-18*

**W**hen you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you. <sup>11</sup> Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. <sup>12</sup> Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, <sup>13</sup> and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup> then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. <sup>15</sup> He led you through the vast and dreadful desert, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. <sup>16</sup> He gave you manna to eat in the desert, something your fathers had never known, to humble and to test you so that in the end it might go well with you. <sup>17</sup> You may say to yourself, "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me." <sup>18</sup> But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your forefathers, as it is today.

### SECOND LESSON

*Philippians 4:10-20*

**I** rejoice greatly in the Lord that at last you have renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you have been concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. <sup>11</sup> I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. <sup>12</sup> I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. <sup>13</sup> I can do everything through him who gives me strength. <sup>14</sup> Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. <sup>15</sup> Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; <sup>16</sup> for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid again and again when I was in need. <sup>17</sup> Not that I am looking for a gift, but I am looking for what may be credited to your account. <sup>18</sup> I have received full payment and even more; I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. <sup>19</sup> And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. <sup>20</sup> To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

## ANTHEM

*My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness*

♪ **“My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who bore my pain;  
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace And gave me life again;  
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness And clothed me in His light  
And wrote His law of righteousness With pow’r upon my heart.**

♪ **My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who walks beside;  
Who floods my weaknesses with strength And causes fears to fly;  
Whose ev’ry promise is enough For ev’ry step I take,  
Sustaining me with arms of love And crowning me with grace.**

♪ **My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who reigns above,  
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, Whose ev’ry thought is love.  
For ev’ry day I have on earth Is given by the King;  
So I will give my life, my all, To love and follow Him.”**

## GOSPEL

*Luke 17:11-19*

*please stand*

M: The Gospel according to Luke chapter 17.

**N**ow on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!”<sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed.<sup>15</sup> One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.<sup>17</sup> Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? <sup>18</sup> Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done!**



1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!  
 2 Oh, per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood,  
 3 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,



He so loved the world that he gave us his Son,  
 To ev - 'ry be - liev - er the prom - ise of God;  
 And great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son,



Who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin  
 The vil - est of - fend - er who tru - ly be - lieves,  
 But pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

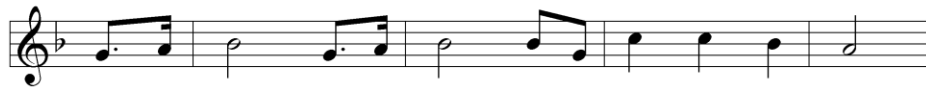


And o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
 That mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.  
 Our joy and our won - der when Je - sus we see.

*Refrain*



Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!



Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the peo - ple re - joice!



Oh, come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son



And give him the glo - ry— great things he has done!

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915, alt.

Tune: TO GOD BE THE GLORY (11 11 11 11 with Refrain) William H. Doane, 1832–1915.





## Confession of Faith, Thanksgiving & Prayer

*Following the sermon, please stand*

### **APOSTLES CREED – THE FIRST ARTICLE AND EXPLANATION**

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

M: What does the mean?

**C: I believe that God created me and all that exists, and that he gave me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my mind and all my abilities.**

**And I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, property and home, spouse and children, land, cattle, and all I own, and all I need to keep my body and life. God also preserves me by defending me against all danger; guarding and protecting me from all evil. All this God does only because he is my good and merciful Father in heaven, and not because I have earned or deserved it. For all this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey him.**

**This is most certainly true.**

*be seated*

### **PEW REGISTER & OFFERING**

*“Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. <sup>7</sup> Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup> And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.” –II Corinthians 9:6-8.*

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

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH<sup>1</sup>

M: O Lord of nations, hear our prayer. We thank you for this land most fair,  
Created by your might.

**C: For mountain sunset, lake at dawn, For woodland bloom and robin song,  
For stars that lace the night.**

M: For farms and fields of golden grain, For science and for medicine,  
For wealth beyond compare,

**C: For leisure time and work to do. Lord, all these blessings come from you,  
Signs of your loving care.**

M: And for your leaders you ordained; We pray, O Lord, that they remain  
Courageous, honest, wise.

**C: Oh give them guidance, make them strong; To stand for right, to battle wrong,  
That freedom's song may rise.**

M: Most grateful, gracious God, are we That in this country we are free  
To worship you above.

**C: We gather here to speak your name, Then leave this place to spread your fame  
That all may know your love.**

M: Hear us, Lord, as we give thanks for personal blessings....*Silent prayer.*

M: Father, move us to use your means of grace, your Word and sacraments, with grateful hearts.  
May our faith and the faith of those who worship with us be strengthened to know Jesus  
more and more. May these means of your grace establish us to be people reaching out with  
your grace in this community.

**C: Lead us in thankful living today and always. Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

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<sup>1</sup> *Lord of Nations, Christian Worship Supplement*



1 We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor!  
 2 We wor - ship you, God of our fath - ers; we bless you.  
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer;



In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring:  
 Through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been;  
 To you, great Je - ho - vah, glad an - thems we raise.



We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;  
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,  
 Your strong arm will guide us; our God is be - side us.



We bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.  
 And with your help, O Lord, our bat - tles we win.  
 To you, our great Re - deem - er, for - e'er be praise!

Text: Julia B. Cory, 1882–1963, alt.

Tune: KREMSER (12 11 12 11) *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, Haarlem, 1626.

## PRAYER

**M:** O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

## BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C: **Amen.**



## SERVING IN WORSHIP

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*"We Grow in God's Word so that we can Go with God's Word"*

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