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

The Second Sunday In Easter

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.



CALL TO WORSHIP

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN, CW #163, "WELCOME HAPPY MORNING "



1 "Wel-come, hap - py morn - ing!" Age to age shall say;
2 Mak - er and Re - deem - er, Life and Health of all,
3 He, of life the au - thor, Death did un - der - go,
4 Free the souls long pris - oned, Bound with Sa - tan's chain;



"Hell to - day is van - quished; Heav'n is won to - day!"
God from heav'n be - hold - ing Hu - man na - ture's fall,
Trod the path of dark - ness, Sav - ing strength to show.
All that now is fall - en Raise to life a - gain.



Lo, the Dead is liv - ing, God for - ev - er - more!
Of the Fa - ther's God - head You, the on - ly Son,
Come, then, True and Faith - ful, Now ful - fill your word;
Show your face in bright - ness; Shine in ev - 'ry land



Him, their true Cre - a - tor, All his works a - dore.
Man - kind to de - liv - er Man - hood did put on.
This is your third morn - ing— Rise, O bur - ied Lord!
As in E - den's gar - den When the world be - gan.

Refrain



"Wel-come, hap - py morn - ing!" Age to age shall say;



"Hell to - day is van - quished; Heav'n is won to - day!"

Text: Venantius Fortunatus, c. 530–609, abr.; tr. John Ellerton, 1826–93, alt.

Tune: SEI DU MIR GEGRÜSSET (65 65 D with Refrain) *Enchiridion Geistlike Lede und Psalmen*, Lübeck, 1545.

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: O risen Lord, you came to your disciples and took away their fears with your word of peace. Come to us also by your Word and sacrament, and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of your abiding presence; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

THE WORD OF GOD*

THE FIRST LESSON: ACTS 3:12-20

After Jesus resurrection, the disciples went boldly out into the world to proclaim the risen Christ.

When Peter saw this, he said to them: “Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. ¹⁴You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. ¹⁵You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. ¹⁶By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus’ name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.



¹⁷“Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. ¹⁸But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, ²⁰and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus. (NIV)

PSALM OF THE DAY, *PSALM 16*

Refrain



Psalm tone



Keep me safe, O God,*
for in you I take refuge.

I said to the LORD, “You are my Lord;*
apart from you I have no good thing.”

I have set the LORD always before me.*
Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Refrain

My heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest secure,

because you will not abandon me to the grave,*
nor will you let your Holy One see decay.

You have made known to me the path of life;*
you will fill me with joy in your presence.
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: 1 JOHN 5:1-6

Only by faith in Jesus, whose blood was shed on the cross for all sin, are we able to live before God in freedom and forgiveness.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well. ²This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands. ³In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, ⁴for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. (NIV)

SERMON HYMN, CW #159, “MORNING BREAKS UPON THE TOMB”



1 Morn - ing breaks up - on the tomb; Je - sus
2 You who are of death a - fraid, Tri - umph
3 Chris - tian, dry your flow - ing tears; Chase your



scat - ters all its gloom. Day of tri - umph through
in the scat - tered shade. Drive your anx - ious cares
un - be - liev - ing fears. Look on his de - sert -



the skies, See the glo - rious Sav - ior rise.
a - way; See the place where Je - sus lay.
ed grave; Doubt no more his pow'r to save.

Text: William B. Collyer, 1782–1854, abr.

Tune: INNOCENTS (77 77) French melody, 13th century.

PLEASE STAND

SERMON TEXT: JOHN 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

²¹Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." ²²And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

²⁴Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

²⁸Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

²⁹Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.(NIV)

"Got Doubt?"

- 1. Seeing is not believing**
- 2. Believing is seeing**

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 the many ways he has blessed us.

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

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 #198, "AROUND THE THRONE OF GOD A BAND"



1 A - round the throne of God a band Of
 2 Some wait a - round him, read - y still To
 3 Lord, give your an - gels ev - 'ry day Com -
 4 Then shall no wick - ed thing draw near To



glo - rious an - gels ev - er stand; Bright
 sing his praise and do his will; And
 mand to guide us on our way, And
 do us harm or cause us fear, And



things they see, sweet harps they hold, And
 some, when he com - mands them, go To
 bid them ev - 'ry eve - ning keep Their
 we shall live, when life is past, With



on their heads are crowns of gold.
 guard his ser - vants here be - low.
 watch a - round us while we sleep.
 an - gels round your throne at last.

Text: John M. Neale, 1818–66, abr., alt.

Tune: WAREHAM (LM) William Knapp, 1698–1768, alt.

PLEASE STAND

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:

Offering Envelopes

If you would like to have your church offerings recorded for tax purposes and end of year statements, you must use your member offering envelopes. We encourage all our members to use their offering envelopes, whether for tax purposes or not, as a way of personally reviewing our yearly offerings to the Lord. If you do not have church offering envelopes, please contact Kallie in the church office.

Esther!

How one woman saved an entire nation! Join us for a new Sunday morning Bible study starting today at 9:20am in the church sanctuary. Come and join us to see how God raised up Esther when her people needed her most.

New Member Class

Simply come and find out what we teach and believe! We are starting a new member class Tuesday, April 20th @7:00pm in the church sanctuary. This course is open for all wanting to know what we teach and believe or are wanting a review of our Christian faith. This course will be on Tuesday nights for 1 hour. Bring your questions and get answers!

Pastor & Members

It has been a blessing getting to know our members through personal visits. If you have not had a chance to meet with Liz and myself, there are signup sheets with times available in the entryway of church, or you can call the church office to schedule a visit. Beginning this week, I will be making phone calls to schedule visits with you. Thank you for this joy and privilege.

Sunday School Time!

Sunday School is back in session for grades Pre-K thru 8th grade. All classes meet in the school building at 9:15am. What a great opportunity for our children to grow in their friendships and faith. Sunday school will run from now until the end of May.

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 worshipping online or in-person.

Called Workers:

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This Week:

Monday (4/12): 6:30 PM - SMB Meeting

Sunday (4/18): 8:00 & 10:30 AM - Worship

9:25 AM - Adult Bible Study

Serving Today

Music: 8:00 - Nick Koren
10:30 - Aidan Berg

Elder: David Mosakowski

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:00 - Dane Mattes
10:30 - Dane Mattes

Elder: David Mosakowski

Attendance Last Week

8:00 a.m.—32
10:30 a.m.—105
Total: 137

2020-2021 Year to Date Offerings Through February 28, 2021

General Offering Received: \$139,225.84
General Offering Budgeted: \$161,525.00
Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$22,299.16)
Average Weekly Offerings Received (26 weeks): \$3,978.00
Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (26 weeks): \$4,615.00

Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future

Total Gifts Pledged to the Project: \$370,000.00
Received Last Week: \$150.00
Total received to date: \$379,299.42

Amazing Race – Teen Challenge (June 22-25)

All high school teens are invited to an unforgettable teen rally with scavenger hunt through Disney's Magic Kingdom, inspiring keynotes, fun at an amazing resort, and a great chance to grow with people at the same point in life's journey.

- Where – Tropical Palms Resort (Kissimmee, FL)
- When – June 22-25
- How much - \$395/youth
- Who - High school teens (9th-12th grades as of Spring 2020 and those 9th grade in Fall of 2021)



For more information, visit southatlanticyouth.com

Camp South (July 26-30)

All youth entering 4th - 9th grades in Fall of 2021 are invited to a fantastic week of so much fun and growing God's Word! Hosted at the Georgia FFA camp in Covington, GA, we're inviting youth to take part in engaging worship & Bible studies, great activities, and opportunities to meet new friends.

- Where - Georgia FFA/FCCLA Camp in Covington, GA
- When – July 26-30
- How much - \$295/youth
- Who - those entering 4th - 9th grades (as for Fall 2020)



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