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

The Fourth 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 #221, "BLESSED JESUS, AT YOUR WORD "



1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at your Word We are gath - ered
2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est
3 Gra - cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light from Light, from
4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Praise to you and



all to hear you. Let our hearts and souls be stirred
dark - ness shroud - ed Till your Spir - it breaks our night
God pro - ceed - ing, O - pen now our heart and mind;
ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we your Word may trust,



Now to seek and love and fear you, By your teach - ings,
With the beams of truth un - cloud - ed. You a - lone to
Help us by your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry your
Con - fi - dent of our sal - va - tion, While we here be -



sweet and ho - ly, Drawn from earth to love you sole - ly.
God can win us; You must work all good with - in us.
peo - ple rais - es; Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.
low must wan - der, Till we sing your prais - es yon - der.

Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–84, st. 1-3; *Geistreiches Gesang-Büchlein*, Berlin, 1707, st. 4; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1-3, alt.; unknown, st. 4, alt.

Tune: LIEBSTER JESU, WIR SIND HIER (78 78 88) Johann R. Ahle, 1625–73, alt.

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 Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

THE WORD OF GOD*



THE FIRST LESSON: ACTS 4:23-33

After Peter and John were released from prison, they returned to the people and continued to glorify God. Nothing or no one was going to stop them from proclaiming the resurrected Christ.

On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said to them. ²⁴When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. “Sovereign Lord,” they said, “you made the heavens and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. ²⁵You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David:

“ ‘Why do the nations rage
and the peoples plot in vain?

²⁶The kings of the earth rise up
and the rulers band together
against the Lord
and against his anointed one.’

²⁷Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. ²⁸They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. ²⁹Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. ³⁰Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus.”

³¹After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

³²All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. ³³With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God’s grace was so powerfully at work in them all. (NIV)

PSALM OF THE DAY, *PSALM 23*

Refrain



The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.

Psalm tone



The LORD is my shepherd,*
I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside quiet waters.

He restores my soul;*
he guides me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,*
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Refrain

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and love will follow me
all the days of my life,*
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

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

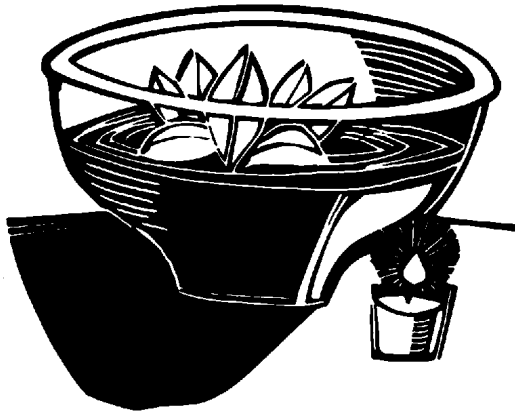
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THE SECOND LESSON: JOHN 10:11-18

Jesus proclaims, he is the Good Shepherd. He is the one who through his death and resurrection has secured his sheep securely into his fold.

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. ¹³The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴ “I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. ¹⁷The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.” (NIV)



SERMON HYMN, CW #149, "CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY"



1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" Saints on
 2 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Fought the
 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has
 4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King! Where, O
 5 Soar we now where Christ has led, Foll'w - ing



earth and an - gels say; Raise your joys and
 fight, the bat - tle won; Lo, our sun's e -
 burst the gates of hell. Death in vain for -
 death, is now your sting? Once he died our
 our ex - alt - ed head. Made like him, like



tri - umphs high; Sing, O heav'ns, and earth, re - ply.
 clipse is o'er; Lo, he sets in blood no more.
 bids his rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
 souls to save; Where your vic - to - ry, O grave?
 him we rise; Ours the cross, the grave, the skies!

6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
 Praise to you by both be giv'n!
 God has now fulfilled his Word;
 Praise the resurrected Lord!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88, abr., alt.

Tune: ORIENTIS PARTIBUS (77 77) Pierre de Corbeille, d. 1221, adapt.

PLEASE STAND

SERMON TEXT: LUKE 24:36-49

While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

³⁷They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.”

⁴⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, “Do you have anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate it in their presence.

⁴⁴He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.”

⁴⁵Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” (NIV)

Behind the Locked Doors with Luke

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 #332, "GO, MY CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING"



1 Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing,
 2 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en,
 3 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished,
 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you



Nev - er a - lone. Wak - ing, sleep - ing,
 At peace and pure. Here you learned how
 Clos - er to me; Grow in love and
 And give you peace; I the Lord will



I am with you; You are my own.
 much I love you, What I can cure.
 love by serv - ing, Joy - ful and free.
 smile up - on you And give you peace;



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry; Here you
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you; Here his
 I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior,



made you mine for - ev - er. Go, my chil - dren,
 touched him, saw his glo - ry. Go, my chil - dren,
 ten - der com - fort stilled you. Go, my chil - dren,
 Com - fort - er, and Broth - er. Go, my chil - dren;



with my bless - ing— You are my own.
 sins for - giv - en, At peace and pure.
 fed and nour - ished, Joy - ful and free.
 I will keep you And give you peace.

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:

Thank You!

Thank you to Vicar Joel Prange for being here and leading us in worship today. Vicar Joel Prange is a 3rd year seminary student doing field training at our church in Beverly Hills, FL for the year before going back for his final year at the seminary next year. Please make sure to introduce yourself to him.

Proposed Change of Worship Schedule!

Over the last year, our worship times have seen a need for a change. Every week there is a rather large gap of time (*30-35 minutes*) between the end of the 8:00am service and the start of Sunday school/Bible class. To have a more practical and fluid transition, we are looking to shorten the amount of dead time between Worship and Sunday school/Bible class. The proposed change would be to one of the following;

- 1) 8:00am Worship, 9:00am Sunday school/Bible class, 10:00am Worship
- 2) 8:30am Worship, 9:30am Sunday school/Bible class, 10:30am Worship

There is a preference sheet on the back entryway table of church, or you can call the church office to have your preference marked down 813.930.5280. If you have no preference, your "no preference" will be indicated by not marking one down.

The proposed change would not go into effect until after Memorial Day weekend.

Teen Beach Day!

Join us on Saturday, May 15th for a much needed day at the beach! Pack a lunch, bring your towel, bring your sunscreen and beach stuff. It's been a long time, but it's time to get reconnected! We will meet at church at 9:00am and pile in the church van and go from there! We thank Julia Bush for her work in setting this up as we look forward to a wonderful day!

Offering Envelopes

If you are giving your offerings online through Breeze or our church website link, your offerings are automatically linked to your offering envelope number and are being tracked. 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.

Communicating Christ - A Bible Information Course

Come and find out what Northdale Lutheran Church teaches and believes! Join us on Tuesday nights at 7:00pm - 8:00pm in the church sanctuary for a wonderful time of discussion and review of our Christian faith. For more information, contact Pastor Guse 920.51.9000 call/text, pastor@northdalelutheran.org

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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Bethany Schwartz:	920-222-9279	Bethany.Schwartz@NorthdaleLutheran.org

This Week:

Sunday (5/2): 8:00 & 10:30 AM - Worship
 9:25 AM - Adult Bible Study

Serving Today

Music: 8:00 - Chris Haring
 10:30 - Ethan Jaeger
Elder: David Mosakowski

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:00 - Elizabeth Guse
 10:30 - Elizabeth Guse
Elder: David Mosakowski

Attendance Last Week

8:00 a.m.— 16
10:30 a.m.— 46
Total: 62

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

General Offering Received: \$159,990.76

General Offering Budgeted: \$179,985.00

Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$19,994.24)

Average Weekly Offerings Received (26 weeks): \$4,102.33

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



Kids Pages



The Good Shepherd

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 10:11-18



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

ATTACKS

SCATTERS

SHEEP

CARES

VOICE

LOVES

PEN

SHEPHERD

WOLF

GOOD

LIFE

FLOCK

RUNS

KNOW