

# **LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# **Northdale Lutheran Church and School**

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

# **The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost**

August 15, 2021

**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**

# SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

THE "SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT" IS A VERSION OF THE HISTORIC LITURGY OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

**OPENING HYMN, CW #389, "ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME"** 



Text: August M. Toplady, 1740–78, alt.

Tune: TOPLADY (77 77 77) Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872.

# INVOCATION

(The name of the triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshipers of their baptisms.)

- M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you

# CONFESSION

- M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

## ABSOLUTION

- M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

# **O** TASTE AND SEE



#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

M: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED

# THE WORD OF GOD\*



### THE FIRST LESSON: 1 KINGS 19:3-8

"After Elijah defeated the pagan prophets on Mt. Carmel, he became afraid and fled for his life. But the Lord was with Elijah and would sustain him for the days to come. This is our same God who sustains and provides for his people today."

Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, <sup>4</sup>while he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, Lord," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors." <sup>5</sup>Then he lay down under the bush and fell asleep.

All at once an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat." <sup>6</sup>He looked around, and there by his head was some bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again.

<sup>7</sup>The angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you." <sup>8</sup>So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he traveled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God. (NIV)

#### PSALM OF THE DAY: PSALM 34





Taste and see that the <u>LORD</u> is good;\* blessed are they who take refuge in him.

The eyes of the LORD are on the <u>right</u>eous\* and his ears are attentive <u>to</u> their cry.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who <u>fear</u> him,\* and he delivers them.

#### Refrain

The righteous cry out, and the LORD <u>hears</u> them;\* he delivers them from all their <u>trou</u>bles.

The LORD is close to the broken<u>heart</u>ed\* and saves those who are crushed in <u>spirit</u>.

The LORD redeems his <u>ser</u>vants;\* no one who takes refuge in him will <u>be</u> condemned.

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

#### Refrain

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#### THE SECOND LESSON: JOHN 6:41-51

"After Jesus proclaimed himself as the Bread of Life, the Jews became hostile in their unbelief. They failed to see Jesus as the One who came to give life to the world. Only by faith in Jesus is there the certainty of life eternal."

At this the Jews there began to grumble about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup>They said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I came down from heaven'?"

<sup>43</sup> "Stop grumbling among yourselves," Jesus answered. <sup>44</sup>"No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the Prophets: 'They will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me. <sup>46</sup>No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. <sup>50</sup>But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." (NIV)

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Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–60, adapt.; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–97, alt. Tune: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM (55 88 55) Adam Drese, 1620–1701.

#### SERMON TEXT: EPHESIANS 4:30-5:2

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. <sup>32</sup>Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

<sup>1</sup>Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children <sup>2</sup>and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.. (NIV)

SERMON THEME:

Be Imitators of Christ! 1) In the way you live 2) In the way you love

#### PLEASE STAND

#### THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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#### OFFERING

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 <u>https://northdale.breezechms.com/give/online</u>. You can certainly ask if you have any questions.

#### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

All: 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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

# SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Since we believe in the Biblical principle found in 1 Corinthians 11:26, that communion at the Lord's table is a confession of faith, we ask that nonmembers please speak with pastor before communing. Thank you.

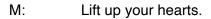
#### PREFACE

(The words of the Preface mark the beginning of the Sacrament section of the service and lift the worshipers' hearts in praise. The opening sentences are among the oldest in the Christian liturgy.)



M: The Lord be with you.







M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, he empowered his Church to be witnesses of Christ to the ends of the earth. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

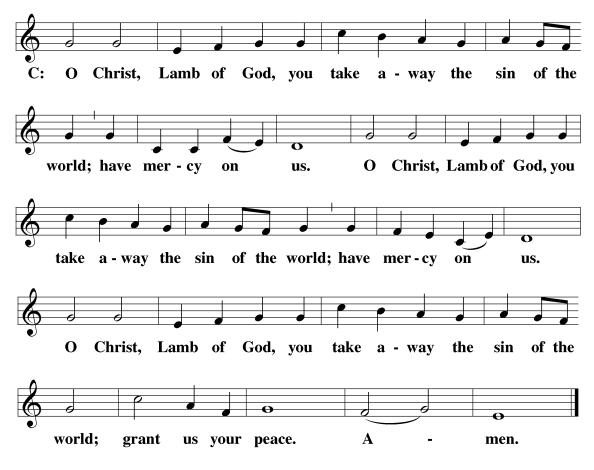


# WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



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## DISTRIBUTION

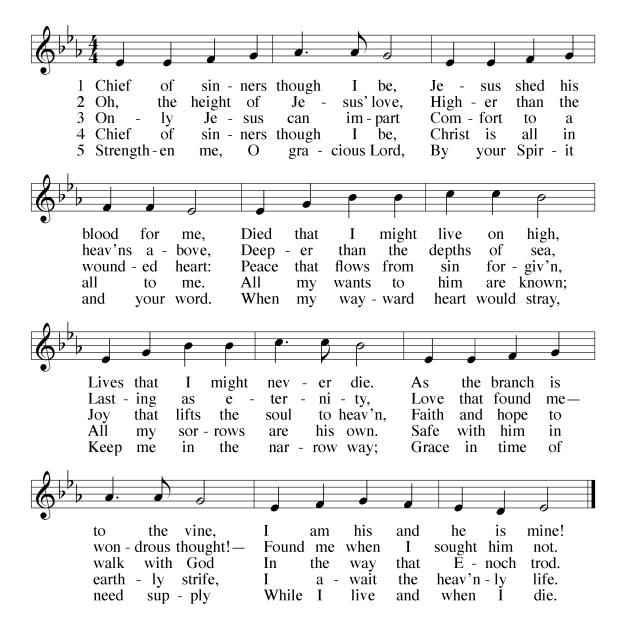
(The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith.)

**GUESTS:** SO THAT THERE IS NO MISUNDERSTANDING, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE SPEAK WITH THE PASTOR BEFORE COMMUNING WITH US.

**MEMBERS:** WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO USE "PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION" ON PAGE 156 IN THE FRONT OF THE HYMNAL.



**DISTRIBUTION HYMN #385** "CHIEF OF SINNERS THOUGH I BE"



Text: William McComb, 1793–c. 1870, alt.

Tune: GETHSEMANE (77 77 77) Richard Redhead, 1820–1901.

#### FINAL PRAYER

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

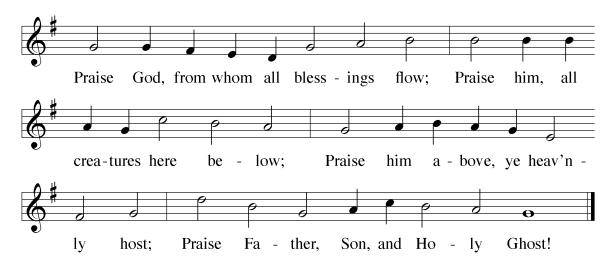
#### BLESSING

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

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Closing Hymn, CW #334, "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, abr. Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH (LM) *Trente quatre Pseaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551.

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All of our services are live streamed & can be viewed through the live streaming link located on our church website <u>www.NorthdaleLutheran.org</u>. 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:

# Sunday School Begins Sunday, September 12th

Please take a moment to register your child for Sunday school. A registration sheet is on the entryway table. If you are interested in helping with our Sunday school program, please contact Pastor Guse.

#### "The Great Journey"

Our Sunday morning Bible study will be tracing the journey of Israel from Egypt to the Promised Land. We will be taking a look at the faithfulness of God, as the Lord would take these once slaves of Egypt and form them into a powerful nation who carried the promise of the Savior.

#### **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 920.517.9000 call/text, pastor@northdalelutheran.org

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## This Week:

Sunday (8/22):	8:30 & 10:30 AM - Worship
	9:30 AM – Adult Bible Study

#### Serving Today

Music: 8:30 - Dane Mattes 10:30 - Dane Mattes Ushers: 8:00 - Nick & Parker Koren 10:30 - Jason Raines & Ethan Jaeger

## **Serving Next Week**

Music: 8:30 - Elizabeth Guse 10:30 -Elizabeth Guse Ushers: 8:00 - John Schofer 10:30 - Jason & Noah Raines

#### 2020-2021 Year to Date Offerings Through May 31, 2021

General Offering Received: \$197,164.45 General Offering Budgeted: \$221,520.00 Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$24,356) Average Weekly Offerings Received (43 weeks): \$4,107.59 Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (52 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: \$380,274.42