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

The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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

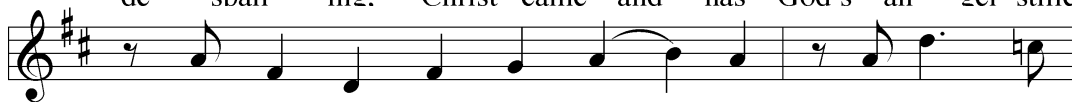
OPENING HYMN, CW #390, "SALVATION UNTO US HAS COME" VS 1-4



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace
2 What God does in his law de - mand And none to him
3 It is a false, mis - lead - ing dream That God his law
4 Yet as the law must be ful - filled Or we must die



and fa - vor. Good works can - not a - vert our doom;
can ren - der Brings wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand
has giv - en That sin - ners can them-selves re - deem
de - spair - ing. Christ came and has God's an - ger stilled.



They help and save us nev - er. Faith looks to
For man, the vile of - fend - er. Our flesh has
And by their works gain heav - en. The law is
Our hu - man na - ture shar - ing. He has for



Je - sus Christ a - lone, Who did for all the
not those pure de - sires The spir - it of the
but a mir - ror bright To bring the in - bred
us the law o - beyed And thus the Fa - ther's



world a - tone; He is the one Re - deem - er.
law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.
sin to light That lurks with - in our na - ture.
venge - ance stayed Which o - ver us im - pend - ed.

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(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 #390, "SALVATION UNTO US HAS COME" VS 5-6

5 Since Christ has full atonement made
and brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad
and build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead;
Your death is now my life indeed,
For you have paid my ransom

6 All blessing honor, thanks, and praise
To Father, Son, and Spirit,
the God who saved us by his grace-
All glory to his merit!
O triune God in heav'n above,
You have revealed your saving love;
Your blessed name be hallowed!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your Word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy and to bring forth fruits in faith and hope and love; through 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: EPHESIANS 5:15-20

It takes wisdom to live as Christians in such an imperfect world. Only when the wisdom of God guides us, are we able to avoid temptations and to live in thanksgiving to God.

Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, ²⁰always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. (NIV)

PSALM OF THE DAY, *PSALM 1*

Refrain



Bless-ed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

Psalm tone



Blessed is the man
who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked*
or stand in the way of sinners.

But his delight is in the law of the LORD,*
and on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season*
and whose leaf does not wither.
Whatever he does prospers.

Refrain

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,*
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,*
but the way of the wicked will perish.

**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 6:51-58

Man does not live on bread alone, but on every Word of the Lord. Only in Jesus is found the Word of true wisdom that gives eternal life.

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.”

⁵²Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?”

⁵³Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. ⁵⁶Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” (NIV)

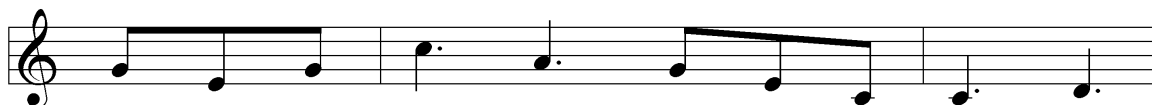
SERMON HYMN, CW #505, "LOVE IS THE GRACIOUS GIFT"



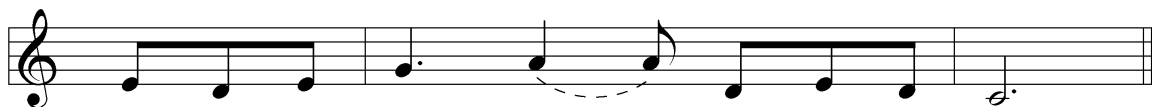
1 Love is the gra - cious gift of your good - ness;
 2 You loved me first, Lord, send - ing me Je - sus.
 3 Love means for - give - ness, pa - tience, and kind - ness;
 4 Love in a mar - riage, love free - ly giv - en,
 5 Love a - mong Chris - tians, love in the fam - 'ly,



Love is the pa - tient fruit of your care;
 Then I re - spond - ed, trust - ing your Son.
 Love is not jeal - ous, boast - ful, or rude.
 Love of a hus - band, love of a wife—
 Love for the Sav - ior, whose blood was shed,



Love is the gen - tle work of your Spir - it,
 Now you in - vite me to love my neigh - bor,
 Love en - dures all things, bear - ing, be - liev - ing;
 Made to con - tin - ue, blos - som, and flour - ish,
 Love and sub - mis - sion one to an - oth - er



Who is the source of love ev - 'ry - where.
 Show - ing your true love to ev - 'ry - one.
 Love hopes for - ev - er, re - joic - es in truth.
 Grow ev - er deep - er through - out this life.
 As un - to Christ, who reigns as our head.

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Tune: BUNESSAN (Irregular) Gaelic melody, 19th century.

SERMON TEXT: PROVERBS 9:1-6

Wisdom has built her house;
she has set up its seven pillars.

²She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine;
she has also set her table.

³She has sent out her servants, and she calls
from the highest point of the city,

⁴"Let all who are simple come to my house!"

To those who have no sense she says,

⁵"Come, eat my food
and drink the wine I have mixed.

⁶Leave your simple ways and you will live;
walk in the way of insight." (NIV)

God Gives His Wisdom

- 1. For the wisdom we lack**
- 2. To live every day in his grace**

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

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 of heaven and earth, you made all things beautiful. You have provided green forests and refreshing streams. You have arranged the orderly procession of day and night for our work and rest.

Thank you for the mountains and the prairies, the roaring sea, and the gentle breeze.

Thank you for roofs that shelter us, for clothing that protects us, and for food and drink. Thank you for our work, for projects that are done well, and for the approval of supervisors and teachers. Thank you for all who serve at night to make our days more pleasant.

Thank you for associates at work, for their encouragement and praise, and for the joys of human friendships.

Thank you for our cities and our countrysides, for farms and factories, for streets and highways, and for all of life that flows so swiftly before us.

Thank you for children at play, their boundless energy, and their shouts of joy and laughter.

Thank you for the morning greetings we receive, and for all the smiles that come from faces loved by you.

Thank you for Christian parents, for their affection and their care.

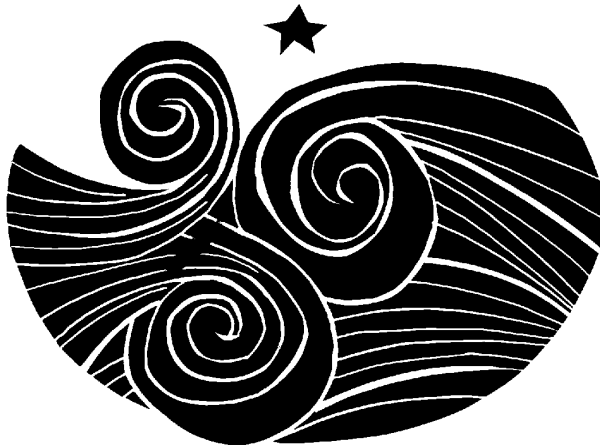
Thank you for your Son, Jesus Christ, for his coming to us in Word and sacraments, for his giving and forgiving, and for listening to our prayers. Receive our gifts and offerings as our sacrifice of praise.

Lead us in thankful living today and always. 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.**

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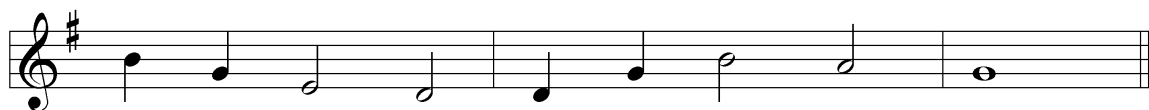
FINAL HYMN, CW #462, "OH, THAT THE LORD WOULD GUIDE MY WAYS"



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To
 2 Or - der my foot - steps by your Word, And
 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A
 4 Make me to walk in your com - mands— 'Tis



keep his stat - utes still! Oh, that my God would
 make my heart sin - cere; Let sin have no do -
 strict - er watch to keep; And should I e'er for -
 a de - light - ful road— Nor let my head or



grant me grace To know and do his will!
 min - ion, Lord, But keep my con - science clear.
 get your way, Re - store your wan - d'ring sheep.
 heart or hands Of - fend a - gainst my God.

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

Tune: EVAN (CM) William H. Havergal, 1793–1870, adapt.

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.



C: A - men.

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:

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 (8/29): 8:30 & 10:30 AM - Worship
 9:30 AM - Adult Bible Study

Serving Today

Music: 8:30 - Elizabeth Guse
 10:30 - Elizabeth Guse
Ushers: 8:30 - John Schofer
 10:30 - Jason & Noah Raines
Elder: David Mosakowski

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:30 - Nick Koren
 10:30 - Aiden Berg
Ushers: 8:30 - Nick & Parker Koren
 10:30 - Jeff & Allison Berg
Elder: David Mosakowski

Attendance Last Week

8:00 a.m.—34
10:30 a.m.—45
Total: 79

2020-2021 Year to Date Offerings Through June 30, 2021

General Offering Received: \$217,234.11
General Offering Budgeted: \$240,000.00
Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$22,766)
Average Weekly Offerings Received (52 weeks): \$4,178.00
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