



**NORTHDALE**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH



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

## The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 5, 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 #617, "CHRIST, BY HEAVENLY HOSTS ADORED"



1 Christ, by heav'n-ly hosts a - dored, Gra - cious, might - y,  
2 On our fields of grass and grain Send, O Lord, the  
3 Give us rul - ers who will be Known for love and



sov - 'reign Lord, God of na - tions, King of kings,  
kind - ly rain; O'er our wide and good - ly land  
hon - es - ty; Let the pow'rs that you or - dained



Head of all cre - a - ted things, By the Church with  
Crown the la - bors of each hand. Let your kind pro -  
Be in right - eous - ness main - tained. In the peo - ple's



joy con-fessed, God o'er all, for - ev - er blest— Plead - ing,  
tec - tion be O'er our com-merce on the sea. O - pen,  
hearts in - crease Love of pi - e - ty and peace. Thus u -



at your throne we stand: Save your peo - ple, bless our land.  
Lord, your boun - teous hand; Bless your peo - ple, bless our land.  
nit - ed, we shall stand One wide, free, and hap - py land.

Text: Henry Harbaugh, 1817–67, abr., alt.  
Tune: ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR (77 77 D) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

PLEASE STAND

## 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

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.

The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your never-failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a simple melody for the word 'Amen' followed by a double bar line.

*BE SEATED*

# THE WORD OF GOD\*



## THE FIRST LESSON: EPHESIANS 6:10-20

*The Apostle Paul in using a picture of a soldier fitted for battle, so also Christians are to put on the full armor of God to be ready for service and truth.*

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. <sup>11</sup>Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. <sup>12</sup>For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. <sup>13</sup>Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. <sup>14</sup>Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, <sup>15</sup>and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup>Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

<sup>18</sup>And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. <sup>19</sup>Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should. (NIV)

## PSALM OF THE DAY: PSALM 119C

### *Refrain*



Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

### *Psalm tone*



Oh, how I love your law!\*

I meditate on it all day long.

I have more insight than all my teachers,\*

for I meditate on your statutes.

I have more understanding than the elders,\*

for I obey your precepts.

### *Refrain*

I have kept my feet from every evil path\*

so that I might obey your Word.

I have not departed from your laws, \*

for you yourself have taught me.

How sweet are your words to my taste, \*

sweeter than honey to my mouth!

**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: MARK 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

*While the Pharisees were more concerned about the laws of physical washing for outward cleansing, Jesus reminds us of the need for a greater spiritual cleansing. It is a cleansing of the heart and soul that comes only through the forgiveness of Christ.*

The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus <sup>2</sup>and saw some of his disciples eating food with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. <sup>3</sup>(The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition of the elders. <sup>4</sup>When they come from the marketplace they do not eat unless they wash. And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing of cups, pitchers and kettles.)

<sup>5</sup>So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, “Why don’t your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?”

<sup>6</sup>He replied, “Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written:

“ ‘These people honor me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me.

<sup>7</sup> They worship me in vain;  
their teachings are merely human rules.’

<sup>8</sup> You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to human traditions.”

<sup>14</sup>Again Jesus called the crowd to him and said, “Listen to me, everyone, and understand this. <sup>15</sup>Nothing outside a person can defile them by going into them. Rather, it is what comes out of a person that defiles them.”

<sup>21</sup>For it is from within, out of a person’s heart, that evil thoughts come—sexual immorality, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup>adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. <sup>23</sup>All these evils come from inside and defile a person.”(NIV)



**SERMON HYMN, CW #392 "NOT UNTO US"**



1 Not un - to us, not un - to us be glo - ry,  
2 A - maz - ing grace— that chose us ere the worlds were  
3 O faith - ful love— that shep - herd - ed through faith - less  
4 Not un - to us but to your name be glo - ry,



Lord; Not un - to us but to your name be praise;  
made; A - maz - ing grace— that sent your Son to save;  
years; For - giv - ing love— that led us to your truth;  
Lord, For grace so rich, so wide, so high, so free.



Not un - to us but to your name all hon - or be  
A - maz - ing grace— that robed us in your right - eous -  
Un - yield - ing love— that would not let us turn from  
A - bide with us till trav - 'ling days are o - ver and



giv'n For match - less mer - cy, for - give - ness, and grace.  
ness And taught our lips to sing glo - ry and praise.  
you But sent us forth to speak par - don and peace.  
done, And pil - grim feet lead us home, Lord, to you.

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**SERMON TEXT: DEUTERONOMY 4:1,2,6-8**

Now, Israel, hear the decrees and laws I am about to teach you. Follow them so that you may live and may go in and take possession of the land the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you.

<sup>6</sup>Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, “Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.” <sup>7</sup>What other nation is so great as to have their gods near them the way the Lord our God is near us whenever we pray to him? <sup>8</sup>And what other nation is so great as to have such righteous decrees and laws as this body of laws I am setting before you today? (NIV)

**SERMON THEME:**

**“Because God Said So!”**

- 1. Is why we listen to his commands**
- 2. Is why we walk in his commands**

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

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

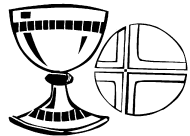
**All:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine 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.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



**C:** We lift them up to the Lord.

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



**C:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



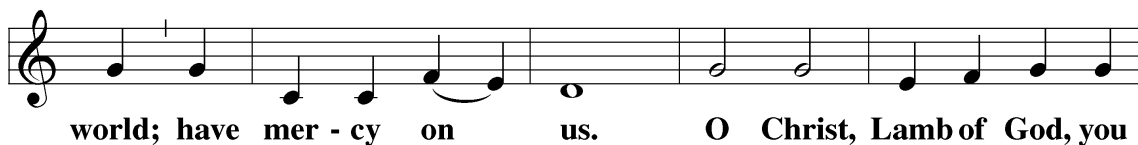
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

## 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 #372 "I LAY MY SINS ON JESUS"



1 I lay my sins on Je - sus, The spot - less  
 2 I lay my wants on Je - sus; All full - ness  
 3 I rest my soul on Je - sus, This wea - ry  
 4 I long to be like Je - sus: Meek, lov - ing,



Lamb of God; He bears them all and frees us From  
 dwells in him. He heals all my dis - eas - es; My  
 soul of mine. His right hand me em - brac - es; I  
 low - ly, mild; I long to be like Je - sus, The



the ac - curs - ed load. I bring my guilt to Je - sus  
 soul he does re - deem. I lay my griefs on Je - sus,  
 in his arms re - cline. I love the name of Je - sus,  
 Fa - ther's ho - ly child. I long to be with Je - sus



To wash my crim - son stains White in his  
 My bur - dens and my cares; He from them  
 Im - man - uel, Christ, the Lord; Like fra - grance  
 A - mid the heav'n - ly throng To sing with



blood most pre - cious Till not a spot re - mains.  
 all re - leas - es; He all my sor - rows shares.  
 on the breez - es His name a - broad is poured.  
 saints his prais - es, To learn the an - gels' song.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–89, alt.

Tune: AURELIA (76 76 D) Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–76.



*PLEASE STAND*

**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 #619, "God Bless Our Native Land"

1 God bless our na - tive land! Firm may she  
2 For her our prayers shall rise To God a -

ev - er stand Through storm and night! When the wild  
bove the skies; On him we wait. Thou who art

tem - pests rave, Ru - ler of wind and wave,  
ev - er nigh, Guard - ing with watch - ful eye,

Do thou our coun - try save By thy great might.  
To thee a - loud we cry, God save the state!

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "God Bless Our Native Land". It is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The score consists of four staves of music. The first staff has two vocal parts: a soprano line (1) and an alto line (2). The lyrics are: "1 God bless our na - tive land! Firm may she" and "2 For her our prayers shall rise To God a -". The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: "ev - er stand Through storm and night! When the wild" and "bove the skies; On him we wait. Thou who art". The third staff continues with lyrics: "tem - pests rave, Ru - ler of wind and wave," and "ev - er nigh, Guard - ing with watch - ful eye,". The fourth staff concludes the hymn with lyrics: "Do thou our coun - try save By thy great might." and "To thee a - loud we cry, God save the state!". The music is written in a simple, clear style suitable for a worship folder.

Text: Charles T. Brooks, 1813–83, st. 1, alt.; John S. Dwight, 1813–93, st. 2.  
Tune: AMERICA (664 6664) *Thesaurus Musicus*, London, c. 1740.

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## Announcements:

### **Sunday School Begins Next Week!**

Sunday School will begin next week at 9:30am. Classes will be held in the Academy building across the parking lot. Lord's blessings on our year!

### **Public School Confirmation Class**

Public School Confirmation Class will be held on Tuesday nights at 6:00pm in the church. Confirmation Class will begin Tuesday, September 14th. This is for all our public school 7th and 8th grade students as they begin their time in God's Word learning the foundations of our Christian faith in preparation for becoming adult communicant members of the church. Talk with Pastor Guse for more information.

### **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](mailto:pastor@northdalelutheran.org)

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### **This Week:**

Sunday (9/12):	8:30 & 10:30 AM - Worship
	9:30 AM – Adult Bible Study

### **Serving Today**

Music: 8:30 - Chris Haring  
10:30 - Ethan Jaeger  
Ushers: 8:30 - Brian & Daniel Busch  
10:30 - Eric Mitchelle & Jason Raines

### **Serving Next Week**

Music: 8:30 - Elizabeth Guse  
10:30 - Elizabeth Guse  
Ushers: 8:30 - Ethan Jaeger  
10:30 - Jason & Noah Raines

**2020-2021 Year to Date Offerings Through July 31, 2021**

General Offering Received: \$13,709

General Offering Budgeted: \$20,833

Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$7,124)

Average Weekly Offerings Received (4 weeks): \$3,427.00

Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (52 weeks): \$4,808.00

**Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future**

Total Gifts Pledged to the Project: \$370,000.00

Received Last Week: \$250.00

Total received to date: \$382,284.42