NORTHDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Northdale Lutheran Church & Academy

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The 20th Sunday After Pentecost

October 10, 2021

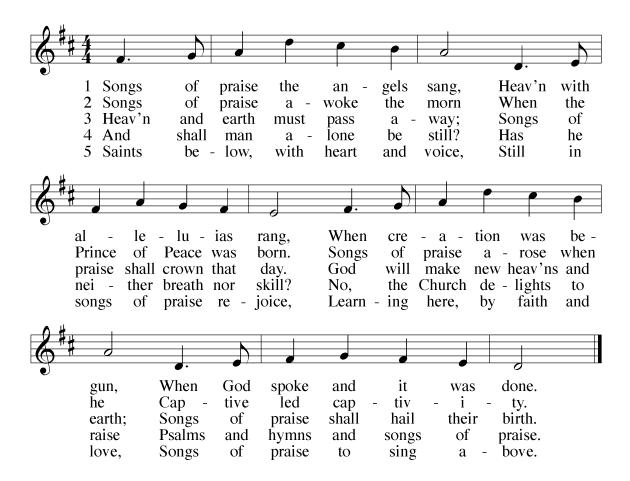
Welcome to Northdale Lutheran! We are so glad you are joining us to proclaim what God has done and to sing his praises. Here the Lord also comes to us and strengthens us with his mighty Word. Take a moment to meet and greet those around you! Also:

- 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

OPENING HYMN, #222 "SONGS OF PRAISE THE ANGELS SANG"



6 Whispered with their final breath, Songs of praise shall conquer death. Then, amidst eternal joy, Songs of praise their pow'rs employ.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt.

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

Confession of Sins

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

M: Lord Jesus, on this day as we gather for worship, we are reminded of your awesome holiness and glory. Yet, we come before your throne this morning in deep humility knowing our offenses, failures, and faults, and confessing our sins before you.

C: `Forgive us of our greed in stockpiling the material things of this world, calling it "prosperity."

Forgive us for the grudges we hold against our neighbors and family, justifying it as "righteous anger."

Forgive us for having called our pride and arrogance, "self-esteem;" for thinking our gossip and slander, is "good conversation;" for excusing our selfish decisions, as "a free choice."

Forgive us for failing to stand up for the truth of your Word, so that we might be viewed as nonjudgmental and tolerant.

Forgive us for those crying out for help in body and soul,

and yet we do nothing because of our so busy and hectic lifestyles. Forgive us this day of all our sins, and restore us to you once again.

M: O Lord, we deserve only to be thrown from your presence and suffer an eternity in hell. Even with a thousand life spans, we could never make amends for the wrongs we have done. Therefore, we simply bow ourselves before your throne and cry out for your mercy.

SONG OF MERCY LISTEN TO MY PRAYER, O LORD

Soloist

Listen to my prayer, O Lord, and hear my sigh. Listen to my prayer, O Lord, and hear my voice. Because of your great love, I can come into your holy house I can bow down to you in rev'rence meant for you.

Congregation

Lord, please let me do your will; make your way plain. Save me from my enemies, and hear my voice. Because of your great love, I can come into your holy house I can bow down to you in rev'rence meant for you. Because of your great love, I can come into your holy house I can bow down to you in rev'rence meant for you

PLEASE STAND

The Comfort of Forgiveness Psalm 103

P:

"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, Slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; He does not treat us as our sins deserve Or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, So great is his love for those who fear him; As far as the east is from the west, So far has he removed our transgressions from us. He has redeemed your life from the pit, and crowns you with love and compassion." Take heart this day, the Lord has forgiven you. Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness keeps us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Be Seated

INSTALLATION OF OUR NEW MEMBERSHIP LEADERSHIP TEAM, ACADEMY BOARD MEMBERS AND ACADEMY TEACHER

BRAD STORM - ACADEMY BOARD MEMBER

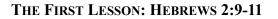
BRYAN BUSCH - OUTREACH CHAIRMAN

ELIZABETH GUSE - ACADEMY 5TH & 6TH GRADE TEACHER

JARRED KASSULKE - LAND & FACILITIES

NATHAN SMAYLING - FINANCIAL SECRETARY

THE WORD OF GOD



Through Jesus' incarnation (the taking on of human flesh and blood) he would become our substitute for sin, so that through his suffering and death, we would have life before God.

But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. ¹¹Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters.



Song of Praise First Song of Isaiah

<u>Refrain:</u>

Surely it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

Verse 1 - Soloist

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation. And on that day you shall say "Give thanks to the Lord!" and call upon his name. *Refrain*

Verse 2 - Congregation

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel. *Refrain*



THE SECOND LESSON: MARK 10:2-16

With Adam and Eve, God instituted marriage to be a blessing for his people. Marriage is a life-long commitment through which the Lord bestows his blessings of companionship.

Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"

³ "What did Moses command you?" he replied.

⁴They said, "Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away."

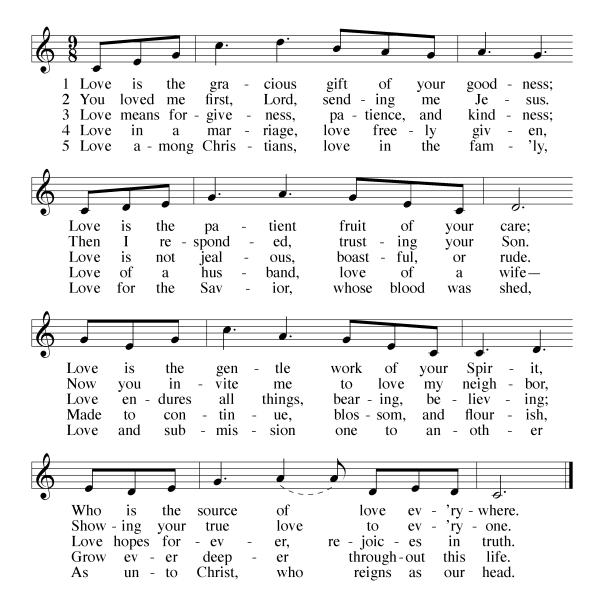
⁵ "It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law," Jesus replied. ⁶"But at the beginning of creation God 'made them male and female.' ⁷'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, ⁸and the two will become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

¹⁰When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this. ¹¹He answered, "Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. ¹²And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery."

¹³People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

Children's Devotion

At this time, we invite all our young people to come forward to hear a special message prepared just for them.



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SERMON TEXT: GENESIS 2:18-24

The Lord created us to be emotional and social people. How wonderful God created Eve for Adam to be his helper and companion in Life.

The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

¹⁹Now the Lord God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. ²¹So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. ²²Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

²³The man said,

"This is now bone of my bones

and flesh of my flesh;

she shall be called 'woman,'

for she was taken out of man."

²⁴That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.

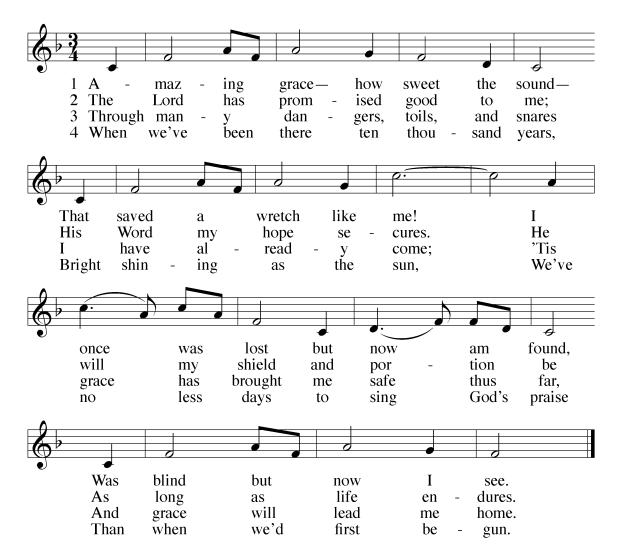
²⁵Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

A MEANINGFUL MARRIAGE

1) KNOWING ITS INSTITUTION

2) KNOWING ITS PURPOSE

HYMN, CW #379, "AMAZING GRACE"



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, st. 1-3, abr.; John P. Rees, 19th century, st. 4. Tune: NEW BRITAIN (CM) *Columbian Harmony*, Cincinnati, 1829, alt.

OFFERING

In thanksgiving for God's many earthly and even greater eternal blessings to his people, we now worship the Lord with our offerings.

PLEASE STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Eternal God and Father, we give you thanks for the blessings we share as members of your holy Church, for your gracious Word and sacraments, for opportunities to worship and grow in faith, for fellowship with believers in our congregation and in our church body.

Help us to rejoice in these blessings, dear Lord, and to use them faithfully.

Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, you give grace to your people by calling us to be your witnesses in the world. Open our eyes to see the great and noble mission that lies before us. In the hurting eyes of the lonely, in the pained eyes of the sick, and in the searching eyes of the lost, help us to see your face, O Jesus, and to serve others as we would serve you.

Awaken us to the opportunities you give to proclaim your message of love.

Holy Spirit, giver of life, through Word and sacrament bestow on us the wisdom and power we need to witness clearly and to act boldly. Help us to speak the truth in love, to give the reason for the hope we have, and to conduct ourselves with gentleness and respect.

Set our hearts on fire as we work and witness for Christ.

Wherever your Word is proclaimed, O Lord, grant it success. Bless the Church with men and women who are willing to proclaim your Word in places where we cannot go. Let your kingdom come to us and others, so that we and many more might join the assembly of saints and angels to sing your praise forever.

Savior of all, hear our prayer and help us in our mission. 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.

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.

CLOSING ANTHEM #562 "I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY"

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above, Of Jesus and his glory, Of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story Because I know it's true; It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do. I love to tell the story; 'Twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, For those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest. And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song, 'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long. I love to tell the story; 'Twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love. 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:

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.

Women of Northdale!

Time for the "Great Comeback"! Now that we are on the way back to full worship and ministry, there is much service that is needed. The Women of Northdale have always been vital to our continued ministry, and we again need them to be. Every woman is invited to attend our Women of Northdale meeting on **Sunday, October 24th at 11:30am.** We will meet in the preschool/fellowship hall. We will be supplying a lunch and drinks. An agenda will be presented to discuss; altar guild, women's Bible studies, Christmas decorating, Thanksgiving food drive, congregational white elephant, future church gatherings, etc... There is a place for every woman to serve according to their own ability, time, wants, and availability. It is a great way to get back involved with your sisters in Christ. This is our church home, and the Women of Northdale are wonderful servants in it! See you at the meeting!

Church Picnic - Sunday, November 14

It's an afternoon with family! Your church family! Time to come together again! Our church picnic will begin after the late service on November 14th. Meats and drinks will be provided, **BUT BRING A DISH TO PASS!** There is a "dish tp pass sheet" in the entryway so we bring a variety of different things. There will be bounce houses, activities, competitions, but more importantly a time to get back together as a body of Christ. Mark it on your calendars now!

Substitute Teachers Needed

NCA is currently seeking qualified applicants for the position of substitute teacher. A position description and application for employment are available in the front office. Please contact Mr. Mattes with any questions.

New Communicating Christ Class

We will be begin a new Communicating Christ class on Tuesday, October 26th at 7:00pm. This class will be held on Tuesday nights at 7:00pm and will be kept to an hour. This course is designed for people wanting to know more about what Northdale teaches and believes, serves as a refresher course for members on Christian doctrine, and also serves those considering church membership. The course is open to all, and is great way to spend an evening in God's Word! *And yes, there will be coffee and snacks!*

Reformation Review

Ever wonder what the Reformation was all about? Come take a trip back in history! Continuing through October, our adult morning Bible study will be taking a look at the Lutheran Reformation. We will be studying what is was, how it came to be, why it was so important, and what it means for Christians today.

Public School Confirmation Class

Public School Confirmation Class is being held on Tuesday nights at 6:00pm in the church. 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.

Sunday School / Adult Bible Class

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class both begin at 9:30am on Sunday mornings. The Sunday School program is for ages Pre-K through 8th grade, and the classes are held in the academy building. The Sunday morning Adult Bible Study is held in the sanctuary of church between services.

Called Workers:

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This Week:

Monday (9/13):6:30 PM - SMB MeetingTuesday (9/14):6:00 PM - Public School ConfirmationSunday (9/19):8:30 & 10:30 AM - Worship9:30 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 - Dane Mattes 10:30 - Dane Mattes Ushers: 8:30 - Brian & Daniel Busch 10:30 -Elder: David Mosakowski

Attendance Last Week

8:00 a.m.—38 10:30 a.m.—56 Total: 94

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

General Offering Received: \$ 35,215 General Offering Budgeted: \$ 41,667 Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$ 6,451) Average Weekly Offerings Received (4 weeks): \$ 3,913 Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (52 weeks): \$ 4,808

Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future

Total Gifts Pledged to the Project: \$370,000.00 Received Last Week: \$0 Total received to date: \$382,809.42