

Northdale Lutheran Church

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

5th Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022

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:

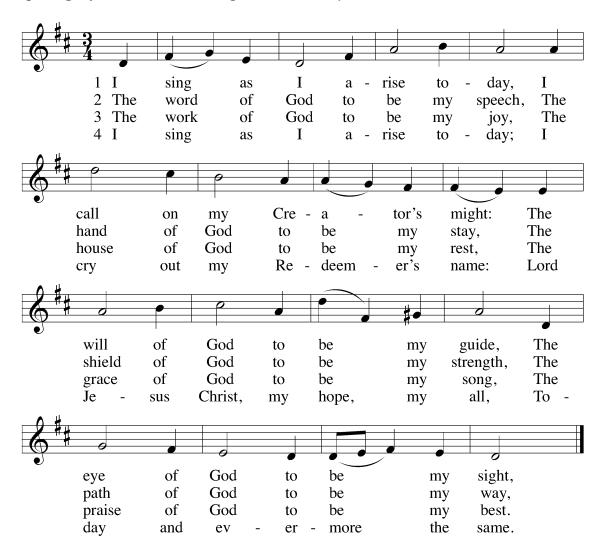


- Restrooms are in the entrance and down the side hallway.
- * Handicapped accessible restroom facilities are located down the side hallway and back in the preschool area.
- ❖ A mother's nursing room is available in the back of the sanctuary.
- Everything you need for worship is printed in the worship folder

Call to Worship

Service of Word and Sacrament

Opening Hymn, CW# 779 "I Sing As I Arise Today"



Text (st. 1,2): Anon.

Text (st. 3,4): Michael Schultz, b. 1963 © 2006 Michael Schultz. All rights reserved. Used by permission.
Tune: ROCKINGHAM OLD (88 88) Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature, London, 1778, adapt.

Please stand

Invocation

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: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open and before whom all lives are laid bare; in deep humility we gather before you today to confess our many sins seeking your mercy and grace.

C: Holy Gracious Lord,

We confess, in your command to be perfect, we are not.

We confess, in your command to love our neighbor, we do not.

We confess, in your command to love you above all things, we have not.

We have so often lived by our own strength, been guided by our own eyes, and lived for this world alone. We have followed the desires of our hearts, rather than being led by your Word. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore to us the joy of your salvation.

M: Before God who knows our minds and searches our hearts. Trusting solely in the merits of Jesus Christ, do you this day confess all your sins in thought, word, and deed? If so answer, I do confess.

C: I do confess.

M: Upon your confession, be assured our Heavenly Father has sent his Son into the world to save sinners. Through Jesus's death and resurrection, you are forgiven. You are God's people and have been made heirs of heaven, an eternal kingdom that cannot be destroyed. May the Lord open our eyes to see God's truth, give us wisdom to walk in his commands, and strengthen us to do his will. Amen.

Re seated

Hymn, #748, "Lamb of God"



Sacrament Of The Lord's Supper

M: Being assured of our forgiveness, the Lord now invites us to his altar for the reception of his Holy Supper. Wherein, through this eating and drinking the Lord gives us his very body and blood, once shed on the cross, to remove any and all doubt of our forgiveness in Christ. May we come forward with joy, knowing the guilt of our sin is taken away. May we come forward with confidence, here to receive the strengthening of our faith to live a God pleasing life.

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.

Distribution Hymn, #311 "Soul Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

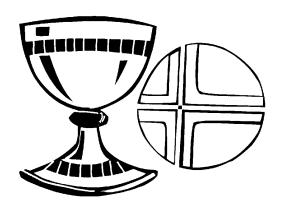


- 6 Lord, by love and mercy driven,
 You have left your throne in heaven
 On the cross for me to languish
 And to die in bitter anguish,
 To forgo all joy and gladness
 And to shed your blood in sadness.
 By this blood redeemed and living,
 Lord, I praise you with thanksgiving.
- Jesus, Sun of life, my Splendor,
 Jesus, Friend of friends most tender,
 Jesus, Joy of me desiring,
 Fount of life, my soul inspiring—
 At your feet I cry, my Maker:
 Let me be a fit partaker
 Of this blessed food from heaven
 For our good, your glory, given.

Communion Prayer:

M: Blessed are you, Lord, God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin. Bless us as we have received your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. May you increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.



The Word of God



The First Lesson: Acts 11:1-18

As the Apostles went out proclaiming the risen Christ, the Lord gave Peter a vision reminding him that the message of salvation was for all people, for both Jews and Gentiles. The same risen Christ, is the one Savior of all.

The apostles and the believers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him ³and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them."

⁴Starting from the beginning, Peter told them the whole story: ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. ⁶I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles and birds. ⁷Then I heard a voice telling me, 'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.'

8"I replied, 'Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'

⁹"The voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.' ¹⁰This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again.

¹¹"Right then three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying. ¹²The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. ¹⁴He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.'

¹⁵ As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning. ¹⁶Then I remembered what the Lord had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷So if God gave them the same gift he gave us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could stand in God's way?"

¹⁸When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, even to Gentiles God has granted repentance that leads to life."

Children's Devotion

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

The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

In this section the Apostle Paul describes what love is. Love is an action displayed in the way we treat and show compassion to others. A Christian's love is always modeled after Christ's sacrificial love for us.

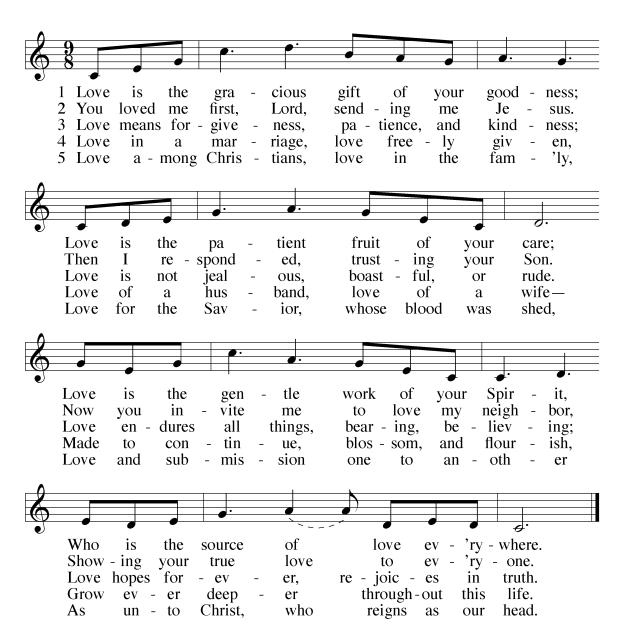
If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ²If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹²For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

¹³And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Sermon Hymn, CW# 505 "Love is The Gracious Gift"



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

Sermon Text: John 13:31-35

When he was gone, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him. ³²If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once.

³³ "My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

³⁴ "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

"Love's Sacrifices"

- 1) Seen in Christ's love for us
- 2) Seen in our love for others

Hymn, CW #752 "In Christ Alone" Printed in the back of bulletin

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.

Prayer of the Church

M: Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

C: Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

M: Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen in us a confidence in your promises and a desire to live according to your will.

C: Give us courage to stand each day in your Word, and restore us each day by your grace.

M: Guard the members of this congregation. Lead the married to love each other with commitment. Help parents to raise their children in the Lord. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

C: Protect us from the temptations that surround us, and give us pure hearts and minds.

M: Extend your healing power to all who are suffering. Comfort all who are in the midst of trial, sickness, or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for their faith and help them hold to the truth. Have mercy on those who care for the sick, and have mercy on those whose death draws near.

C: Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

M: Father, grant us these things for which we ask. For we pray in the name of your only Son, our Lord and Savior.

C: Amen.

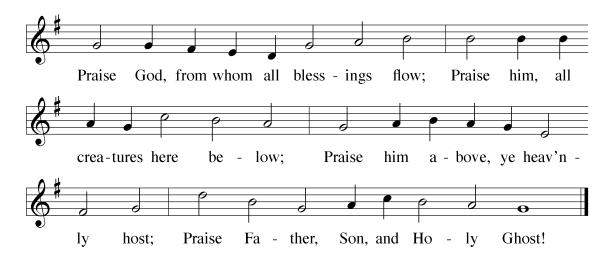
Blessing

M: 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 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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Announcements:

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Summer Break!

A "BIG" thank you to all our Sunday School Teachers and Adult Bible Study leaders throughout this past year, your service is truly appreciated. Today is the last Sunday of Bible class/Sunday school for the summer. We will resume the beginning of August.

NCA Extended Care Position Opening

NCA is looking to fill an extended care position for the 2022-2023 school year. The hours will be 3:00 - 6:00 PM, Monday-Friday, with the possibility of additional hours. NCA is looking for applicants who are at least 18 years old and eager to work with children ranging in age from 3 to 8 years old. Experience is preferred, but not required. A position description along with an employment application can be obtained in the NCA lobby. The deadline to apply is today. Any questions can be directed to Principal Mr. Dane Mattes: dane.mattes@northdalelutheran.org or Early Childhood Director, Mrs. Joanne Mattes: joanne.mattes@northdalelutheran.org.

The Ministry of the Keys!

It's the keys to the kingdom of heaven! During our adult Bible study hour will be taking a look at this ministry as it pertains to repentance and forgiveness, the role of the pastor, the way we worship, and church discipline. Come and see the great authority God has given to you as part of his kingdom of believers!

Camp Donations!

Ready! Set! Camp! Our summer Youth Campers and Teen Racers are all registered for their amazing weeks of faith, friends, and fun. In order to help reduce the cost of registration and transportation (to make sure every child who wants to go, can go), we are looking for members to either donate or sponsor a child for their camp week. These weeks of camp are part of an amazing spiritual education and something they will always remember. If you are able to help, please contact Pastor Guse. Thank you.

Pinewood Derby

Pinewood Derby Race and concessions will be held today at noon. Proceeds from the sales will go towards the purchase of the track.

Aiding Future Pastors and Teachers

Our pastor/teacher college, Martin Luther College in MN, every year sponsors a Congregational Partner Grant in which they match congregational gifts up to \$1,200 per student toward tuition. (Every Northdale student would then receive a \$2,400 tuition grant) As Northdale grows, more and more of our member students are pursuing ministry by attending our prep schools and college. In order to encourage them and help them on their way into full-time ministry service, Northdale has entered into the MLC Partnership. The monies raised will be matched dollar for dollar and given specifically toward our Northdale member students' tuition. We will be collecting this year's donation May-June. There are special envelopes on the entryway table. Donations can be put into the offering plate. Praise the Lord for our youth pursuing full-time ministry (the next generation of pastors and teachers) and for giving us the opportunity to help them along the way.

Called Workers:

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Serving Today

Music: 8:30 - Dane Mattes

10:30 - Dane Mattes

Ushers: 8:30 - Chris Haring

10:30 -

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:30 - Nick Koren

10:30 - Aidan Berg

Ushers: 8:30 - John Schofer

10:30 -David & Grace Mosakowski

Attendance Last Week

8:00 a.m.— 31 10:30 a.m.— 54

Total: 85

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

General Offering Received: \$179,133.15

General Offering Budgeted: \$187,499.97

Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$8,366.82)

Average Weekly Offerings Received (39 weeks): \$4,593.00

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: \$1,750.00 Total received to date: \$387,509.42

Hymn, CW #752 "In Christ Alone"



