

Northdale Lutheran Church

Northdale Christian Academy

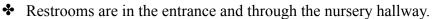
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"WE GROW IN GOD'S WORD SO THAT WE CAN GO WITH GOD'S WORD"

Ascension Sunday

May 29, 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:



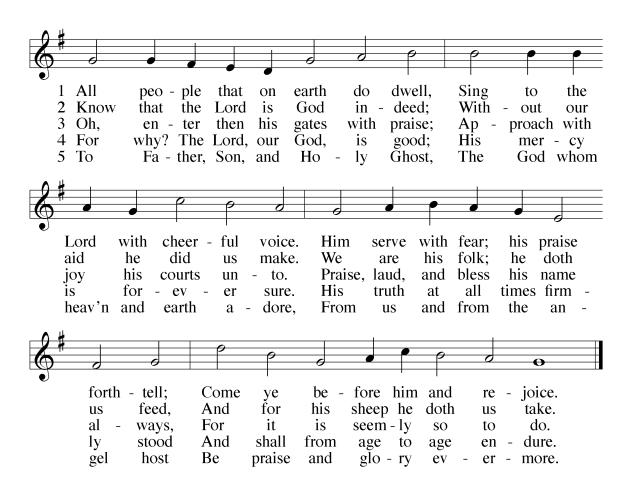


- * Handicapped accessible restroom facilities are located through the nursery hallway and back in the preschool area.
- To help keep the sanctuary as a quiet place of worship and meditation and for your convenience, a Quiet Room is available for the whole service for young children in the back of the 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.
- Liverything you need for worship is printed in the worship folder.

Call to Worship

The Service of the Word

Opening Hymn, CW #233 "All People That on Earth to Dwell"



Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1593, alt.

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH (LM) Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551.

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(ongregtion): 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



Prayer of the Day

M: Lord Jesus, King of Glory, on this day you ascended far above the heavens and at God's right hand your rule the nations. Leave us not alone, we pray, but grant us the Spirit of truth that at your command and by your power we may be your witnesses in all the world; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Be Seated

The Word of God



The First Lesson: Luke 24:44-53

In his last words to his disciples, before his ascension, Jesus strengthens his disciples for the ministry that they ahead of them. They had seen his divine power, seen his resurrection from the dead, and now in the power of the Holy Spirit would go out and proclaim Christ to the world.

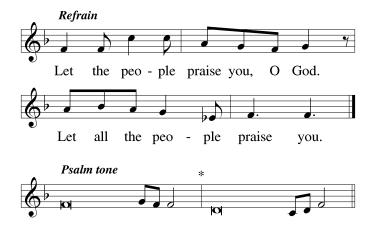
He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

⁴⁵Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. ⁵²Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. ⁵³And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

NCA Sings "Thy Word Is A Lamp" (10:30am)

Psalm of the Day, Psalm 47 (8:30am)



Clap your hands, all you <u>nations</u>;* shout to God with <u>cries</u> of joy.

How awesome is the <u>LORD</u> Most High,* the great King over <u>all</u> the earth!

God reigns over the <u>nations</u>;*
God is seated on his <u>ho</u>ly throne.

Refrain

God has ascended amid <u>shouts</u> of joy,* the LORD amid the sounding of <u>trumpets</u>.

Sing praises to God, sing <u>praises</u>;* sing praises to our King, sing <u>praises</u>.

For God is the King of <u>all</u> the earth;* sing to him a <u>psalm</u> of praise.

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

The Second Lesson: Revelation 19:11-17

In John's Revelation vision, he pictures the 2nd coming of Christ. Although Jesus would ascend into heaven, he will return again as the Lord of Glory, coming as the "King of kings and Lord of lords" for the eternal salvation of his people.

I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. ¹²His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. ¹³He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. ¹⁴The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. ¹⁵Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. ¹⁶On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: king of kings and lord of lords.

Sermon Hymn, CW #173 "On Christ's Ascension I Now Build"



Text: Josua Wegelin, 1604–40; tr. William M. Czamanske, 1873–1964, alt.

Tune: Nun freut euch, Lieben Christen (87 87 887) Etlich Cristlich lider, Wittenberg, 1524.

Sermon Text: Acts 1:1-11

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ²until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. ⁴On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

⁶Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

⁷He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

⁹After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

¹⁰They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven"

Christ Ascends!

- 1) With a glorious purpose
- 2) With a glorious promise

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

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

Northdale Christian Academy Graduation

Graduation Address

Galatians 5:22-23 "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."

Presentation of Diplomas

Brianna Amezquita Perez

Najji Bhadja

Melody Davis

Graham Emerson

Truman Gilbert

Antonio Goytia

Ayden Krupnick

Ella Schwartz

Introduction of the Graduating Class of 2022

Graduation Prayer

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 friends, 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.

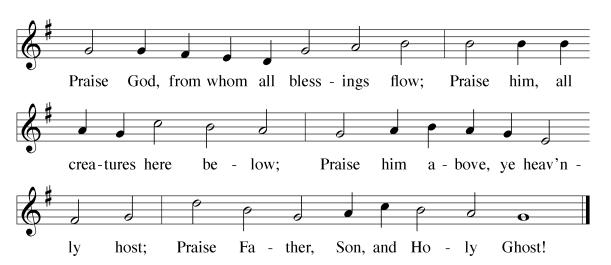
Lead us in thankful living today and always. Amen.

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 #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.

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.



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:

Northdale Christian Graduation

Today our Northdale Christian Academy will be celebrating our 8th grade graduation. May the Lord truly bless our students, not only as they leave our campus but as they also take their faith with them into their future years. The Lord has truly blessed our Christian education system!

Welcome Roemhildt's!

To welcome our new teacher there is a box in the entryway for a card/gift card shower. What a wonderful way to show our love and support on their move to Tampa. We look forward to meeting them and for their future service.

VBS Registration

VBS at Northdale Lutheran will be held July 18-22. VBS is for children ages three (potty trained) through entering 5th grade. You can register for VBS through the <u>Northdale Lutheran website</u>. This year's VBS is entitled *Rainforest Explorers - Jesus Leads the Way*. Register your child today or visit the website for more information.

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.

Voters' Meeting

Our biannual Voters' Meeting will be held on Sunday, June 12th at 11:30 AM. We will be approving the 2022-2023 budget and giving updates on ministry.

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.

South Atlantic District Convention

Our South Atlantic District Convention will take place June 7th-9th in Palm Harbor, FL. We will be gathering to be updated on the work of our Wisconsin Synod in both world and home mission fields as a whole, as well as to see our continued work in the Southeastern United States. We thank Steve Schroeder for serving this year as Northdale Lutheran's lay delegate.

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Serving Today

Music: 8:30 - Elizabeth Guse

10:30 - Elizabeth Guse

Ushers: 8:30 - Chris Haring

10:30 - David & Grace Mosakowski

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:30 - Elizabeth Guse

10:30 - Elizabeth Guse

Ushers:8:30 -David & Grace Mosakowski

10:30 -

Hymn CW #752 "In Christ Alone"

