

Northdale Lutheran Church

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

The 20th Sunday After Pentecost

October 23, 2022

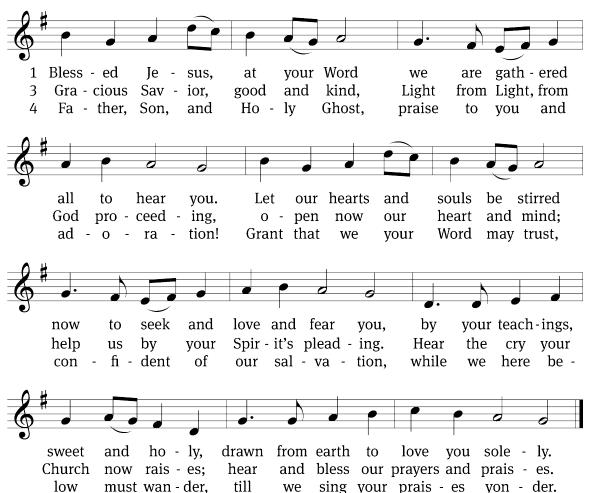
Welcome to Northdale Lutheran! We are so glad you are joining us to proclaim what God has done and to sing his praises. Here the Lord also comes to us and strengthens us with his mighty Word. Take a moment to meet and greet those around you! Also:



- Restrooms are in the entrance and 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 Nursing Mother's Room is available in the back of the sanctuary. This is a private place for nursing mother's and infant children if needed during worship. Please ask an usher if you have need of assistance.
- Liverything you need for worship is printed in the worship folder.

Call To Worship

Opening Hymn, #919 "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"



Text (sts. 1, 3): Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–1684; (sts. 1, 3): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.; (st. 4): Geistreiches Gesang-Büchlein, Berlin, 1707; (st. 4): tr. unknown, alt.

Tune: Johann R. Ahle, 1625-1673, alt.

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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."

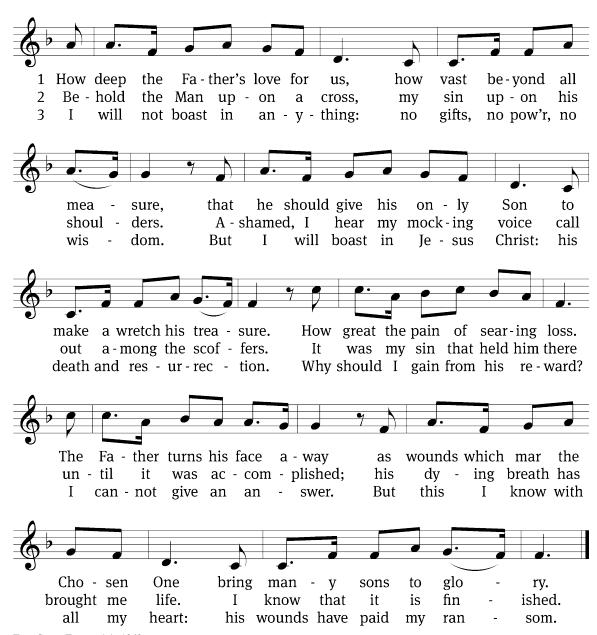
Forgive us for failing to stand up for the truth of your Word, so that we might be viewed as nonjudgmental and tolerant.

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.

Hymn CW #523 How Deep the Father's Love for Us



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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: Lord God, our refuge and strength, your faithfulness has protected us through the darkness of this night. Now this day, may your glory shelter us, shading us from the dangers that surround us, and leading us in joy along life's way. Look with favor upon your people and bless us with unity, harmony, and love for one another. Focus our minds and hearts on your blessed kingdom above, where shall one day live forever with you in glory everlasting. Amen.

Be Seated

THE WORD OF GOD



The First Lesson: Deuteronomy 10:12-22

¹²And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God ask of you but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in obedience to him, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, ¹³and to observe the Lord's commands and decrees that I am giving you today for your own good?

14To the Lord your God belong the heavens, even the highest heavens, the earth and everything in it. 15Yet the Lord set his affection on your ancestors and loved them, and he chose you, their descendants, above all the nations—as it is today. 16Circumcise your hearts, therefore, and do not be stiff-necked any longer. 17For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality and accepts no bribes. 18He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner residing among you, giving them food and clothing. 19And you are to love those who are foreigners, for you yourselves were foreigners in Egypt. 20Fear the Lord your God and serve him. Hold fast to him and take your oaths in his name. 21He is the one you praise; he is your God, who performed for you those great and awesome wonders you saw with your own eyes. 22Your ancestors who went down into Egypt were seventy in all, and now the Lord your God has made you as numerous as the stars in the sky.

Hymn CW 561 "Before the Throne of God Above"



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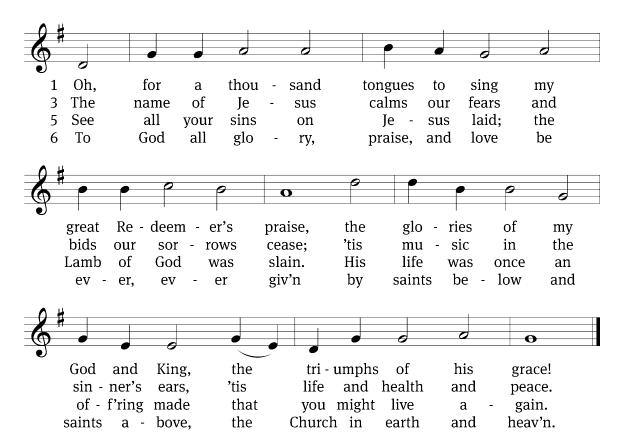
Children's Devotion

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 John 2:15–17

¹⁵Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. ¹⁶For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. ¹⁷The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

Sermon Hymn, CW #520 "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Tune: Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829

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Sermon Text: Luke 14:12-24

¹²Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

¹⁵When one of those at the table with him heard this, he said to Jesus, "Blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God."

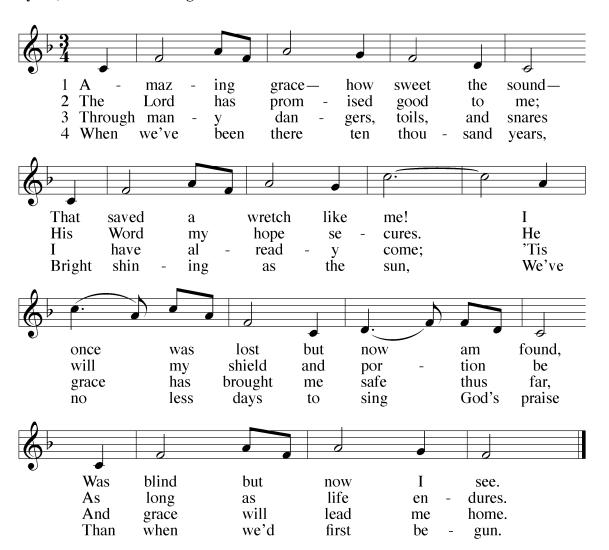
¹⁶Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. ¹⁷At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.'

- ¹⁸ "But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.'
- ¹⁹ "Another said, 'I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.'
 - ²⁰ "Still another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.'
- ²¹ "The servant came back and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and ordered his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame.'
- ²² "'Sir,' the servant said, 'what you ordered has been done, but there is still room.'
- ²³ "Then the master told his servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full. 24I tell you, not one of those who were invited will get a taste of my banquet.'"

"Fill the House"

- 1) You will be reimbursed
 - 2) You will be rejected
- 3) You will be redirected

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

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.

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 CW #784 "Now the Light Has Gone Away"



- 2 Je sus, Sav ior, wash a way all that I've done wrong to day.
- 3 Let my near and dear ones be safe with you e ter nal ly.
- 5 Ah, my best and kind-est Friend, you will love me to the end.



Make me ev - er more like you, good and gen - tle, kind and true.

O bring me and all I love to your hap - py home a - bove.

Let me love you more and more, al - ways bet - ter than be - fore.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Tune: Liederbuch für Kleinkinder-Schulen, Kaiserswerth, 1842 Text and tune: Public domain

Be Seated

Announcements:

Citrus Grove Mission

Today Pastor Hunter from our mission church in neighboring Citrus Grove will be here to give a presentation on the mission outreach efforts in the Wesley Chapel area. Come and meet Pastor Hunter, see what they are doing, see how they worship, and learn about some of their struggles and joys. Pastor Hunter will be giving his presentation during the Bible Study hour at 9:30am.

Hurricane Relief

If you would like to donate to the hurricane relief and recovery efforts to our churches and their communities, the best way is through our church body's Committee for Aid and Relief. The website is Wels.net/cargift. Every dollar given is directly distributed as needed for water, food, fuel, tarps, clothing, hygiene and basic supplies. The WELS Committee for Aid and Relief has been serving our churches and people affected by tornados, hurricanes, earthquakes, floods, and other natural disasters for many years. It is a great blessing of our church body in rebuilding churches, servicing communities, and restoring lives.

Communicating Christ - A Bible Information Class

Come and find out *What* we believe and *Why*! Communicating Christ is held on Tuesday nights at 7:00pm - 8:00pm, we will going through the foundations of the Christian faith and what makes us Northdale Lutheran Church. This course is designed for new members wanting to know what we teach and believe, for current members to renew their doctrines of faith, and for anyone simply wanting to know what we believe and teach. Talk with Pastor Guse for more information

Women's Book Study

Bible Study Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World

Saturday mornings at 9:30 AM October 1, 8, 15 and November 5, 12, 19

All women are welcome to join a fall Bible study based on the book: <u>Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World</u> *Finding intimacy with God in the Busyness of Life* by Joanna Weaver. This study will only meet in-person in the church overflow room in the back of the sanctuary. We will read and discuss two chapters together each Saturday. You may read the chapters before we meet, but it is not necessary.

Womens Night Out

All women are invited out to enjoy an evening with dinner and friends. The women's night out will be Friday, November 4th. Watch for details about time and place. Thank you to our Party Planning Committee for their organization of this event.

Food Drive

The Women of Northdale will be hosting a food drive through the month of November. Watch for details about where you can drop off your non perishable food and items.

Sunday School / Bible Class

Sunday school and Sunday morning adult Bible study are held at 9:30am. What wonderful opportunities to increase our own faith and bring our children to sit at their Savior's feet.

Called Workers:

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Serving Next Week

Serving Today

Music: 8:30 - Daniel Roemhildt Music: 8:30 - Dane Mattes
10:30 - Daniel Roemhildt 10:30 - Dane Mattes

Ushers: 8:30 - John Schofer

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10:30 - Jeff & Allison Berg 10:30 -

2022-2023 Year to Date Offerings Through August 2022

General Offering Received: \$41,437.50 General Offering Budgeted: \$42,866.66 Ahead or (Short) Year to Date: (\$-1,529.16)

Average Weekly Offerings Received (9 weeks): \$ 4,604 Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (52 weeks): \$ 5,000