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“WE GROW IN GOD’S WORD SO THAT WE CAN GO WITH GOD’S WORD”

3rd Sunday in Lent

March 12, 2023

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.

❖ There are “Busy Bags” available for young children. They are hanging on the wall next to the organ. Parents - Please keep the busy bags clean and in order before hanging them back up.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hymn CW #867 vs 1-3



1 Af - flict - ed saint, to Christ draw near, your Sav - ior's
2 Your faith is weak, your foes are strong, and if the
3 Should per - se - cu - tion rage and flame, still trust in



gra - cious prom - ise hear; his faith - ful Word you can be -
con - flict should be long, the Lord will make the tempt - er
your Re - deem - er's name. In fi - ery tri - als you shall



lieve, that as your days your strength shall be. v. 2
flee, that as your days your strength shall be. Refrain
see that as your days your strength shall be. Refrain



Refrain
So, sing with joy, af - flict - ed one; the bat - tle's fierce, but the



vic - t'ry's won! God shall sup - ply all that you need;



yes, as your days your strength shall be.

Please Stand

Invocation

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Confession

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: **Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Absolution

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Lord, Have Mercy

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord. For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Hymn CW #867 vs 4



4 When called to bear your weight - y cross, or sore af -



flic - tion, pain, or loss, or deep dis - tress, or pov - er -



ty, still as your days your strength shall be. *Refrain*

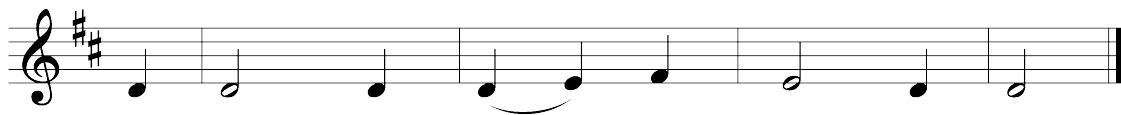
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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

IN GETHSEMANE - THE MOUNT OF OLIVES

When Jesus had finished praying, and they had sung a hymn, he went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him.

Then Jesus told them, "This very night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written: 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee.

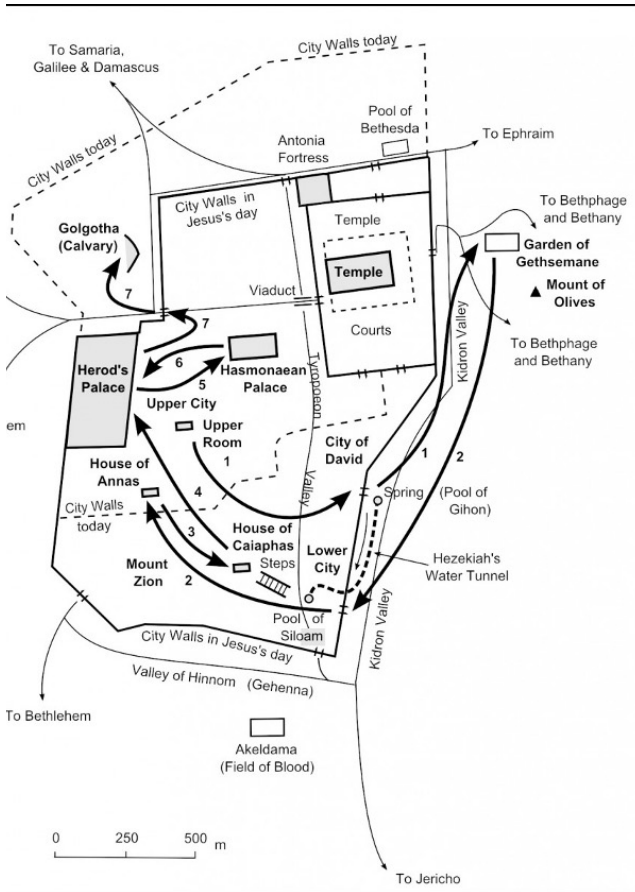
Peter replied, "Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will."

"I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "today—yes, tonight—before the rooster crows twice you yourself will disown me three times."

But Peter insisted emphatically, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you." And all the others said the same.

Then Jesus went with his disciples and crossed the Kidron Valley. On the other side there was an olive grove, a place called Gethsemane. Jesus and his disciples went into it. Now Judas, who betrayed him, knew the place, because Jesus had often met there with his disciples.

On reaching the place, Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray. Pray so that you will not fall into temptation." He took Peter, James, and John along with him and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, " My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me." He withdrew about a stone's throw, knelt down, and fell on the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him. "Abba,



Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will. Not my will, but yours be done."

When he rose from prayer and went back to his disciples, he found them asleep, exhausted from sorrow. "Simon," he said to Peter, "Are you asleep? Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour? Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak."

He went away a second time and prayed, "My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done."

When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their

eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him. So he left them and went away a third time, saying the same thing. An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground.

Returning to the disciples the third time, he said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour is near, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"

While Jesus was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived, guiding a detachment of soldiers and some officials of the chief priests and Pharisees. They were carrying torches, lanterns, and weapons. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs. Judas was leading them.

Jesus, knowing all that was going to happen to him, went out and asked them, "Who is it you want?"

"Jesus of Nazareth," they replied.

"I am he," Jesus said. Judas the traitor was standing there with them. When Jesus said, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground.

Again, he asked them, "Who is it you want?"

And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth."

"I told you that I am he," Jesus answered. "If you are looking for me, then let these men go." This happened so that the words he had spoken would be fulfilled: "I have not lost one of those you gave me."

Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them. "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away." Going at once to Jesus, Judas approached Jesus to kiss him and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him.

Jesus asked him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss? Friend do what you came for."

Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus, and arrested him. When Jesus' followers saw what was going to happen, they said, "Lord, should we strike with our swords?" Simon Peter reached for his sword, drew it out and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.

"No more of this! Put your sword back into its sheath," Jesus said to him, "for all who draw the sword will die by the sword. Shall I not drink the cup my Father has given me to drink? Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels? But how then, would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen in this way?" And Jesus touched the man's ear and healed him.

At that time Jesus said to the arresting crowd, "Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? Every day I sat in the temple courts teaching, and you did not lay a hand on me. But this is your hour—when darkness reigns! This has all taken place that the words of the prophets might be fulfilled." All the disciples deserted him and fled.

Children's Devotion

Hymn CW #430 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

This Lenten Great was written by Thomas Kelly. Thomas Kelly was born in Ireland in 1769. His father was a judge in the city courts. Thomas also studied law for a time before becoming a pastor in the Church of Ireland. His study of secular law equipped him for a life of preaching God's law. However, his staunch preaching of God's law was met with opposition and he was banned from preaching in the State and Established Churches. He became an independent minister starting new churches around Ireland, places of worship where the Law of God was preached and places of worship where Christ, the fulfillment of Law, was preached.

Thomas Kelly knew, where there was disobedience to God's Law there must be punishment. But he also knew it was Christ, who took the punishment of God's Law upon himself. His hymn, Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted, calls our attention to "The reality of sin's cost." If we ever are tempted to think lightly of our sin, simply look to the cross of Jesus and see the reality of our sin and its punishment as it was carried out upon Jesus.

When Thomas Kelly was on his death bed, a friend bringing him comfort quoted to him Psalm 23, saying "The Lord is your Shepherd." To which Thomas replied, "The Lord is my everything."



1 Strick-en, smit-ten, and af-flict-ed, see him dy-ing on the
2 Tell me, as you hear him groan-ing, was there ev-er grief like
3 If you think of sin but light-ly nor sup-pose the e-vil
4 Here we have a firm foun-da-tion, here the ref-u-ge of the



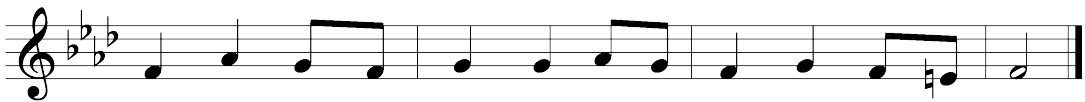
tree! 'Tis the Christ, by man re-ject-ed; yes, my
his, friends through fear his cause dis-own-ing, foes in-
great, here you see its na-ture right-ly, here its
lost: Christ, the rock of our sal-va-tion, is the



soul, 'tis he, 'tis he. 'Tis the long-ex-pect-ed
sult-ing his dis-tress? Man-y hands were raised to
guilt may es-ti-mate. Mark the sac-ri-fice ap-
name of which we boast; Lamb of God, for sin-ners



Proph-et, Da-vid's son, yet Da-vid's Lord; proofs I
wound him, none would in-ter-vene to save; but the
point-ed, see who bears the aw-ful load; 'tis the
wound-ed, sac-ri-fice to can-cel guilt! None shall



see suf-fi-cient of it: 'tis the true and faith-ful Word.
deep-est stroke that pierced him was the stroke that jus-tice gave.
Word, the Lord's a-noint-ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
ev-er be con-found-ed who on him their hope have built.

Sermon Exodus 17:1-7

¹The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²So they quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.”

Moses replied, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the Lord to the test?”

³But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?”

⁴Then Moses cried out to the Lord, “What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me.”

⁵The Lord answered Moses, “Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink.” So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the Lord saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

"The Lord Is Among Us"

Hymn CW #847, "Be Still, My Soul"



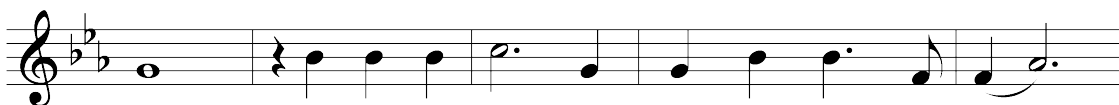
1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side; bear pa-tient-
2 Be still, my soul; your God will un - der - take to guide the
3 Be still, my soul; when dear-est friends de - part and all is
4 Be still, my soul; the hour is has - t'ning on when we shall



ly the cross of grief or pain; leave to your God to or - der
fu - ture as he has the past; your hope, your con - fi - dence, let
dark-ened in the vale of tears, then you will bet - ter know his
be for - ev - er with the Lord, when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and



and pro - vide; in ev - 'ry change he faith-ful will re -
noth - ing shake; all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at
love, his heart, who comes to soothe your sor-rows and your
fear are gone, sor - row for - got, love's pur-est joys re -



main. Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'n - ly friend
last. Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know
fears. Be still, my soul; your Je - sus can re - pay
stored. Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
his voice who ruled them while he lived be - low.
from his own full - ness all he takes a - way.
all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

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.

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>.

Please Stand

Prayer of the Church

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

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

Amen.

Be Seated

Hymn CW #726



1 Love in Christ is strong and liv - ing, bind - ing faith - ful
2 Love is pa - tient and for - bear - ing, clothed in Christ's hu -
3 Love in Christ a - bides for - ev - er, faint - ing not when



hearts in one; love in Christ is true and giv - ing,
mil - i - ty, gen - tle, self - less, kind, and car - ing,
ills at - tend; love, for - giv - ing and for - giv - en,



may his will in us be done.
reach - ing out in char - i - ty.
shall en - dure un - til life's end.

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:

Thank you

Thank you to all who helped with our Congregational Work Day yesterday. Thank you for all your hard work in making our Campus beautiful for the Easter season.

Men & Women - God's World!

Today we are continuing our Bible study on the God-given roles of men and women, and how those roles are carried out in a Christian home and in God's Church. Bible class takes place Sunday mornings at 9:30am and is held in the church sanctuary.

Church Picnic!

Mark your calendars now! Our yearly church picnic will be held on Sunday, March 26th beginning at 11:30am (*after the late service*). There will be food, games, activities, and BINGO! Come and enjoy an afternoon together as a body of Christ! Hotdogs, chips, and water will be provided, **BUT Please bring a dish or dessert to pass.**

It's Harvest Time!!

On Monday, March 27th at 6:30pm, Pastor Otterstatter will be here to lead our congregation through the beginning steps of developing a Harvest Strategy. It's about recognizing the blessings and the opportunities, whether through our church or our academy, to bring the unchurched to Christ. This presentation has been done all over our synod as part of *Telling The Next Generation* and the wonderful privilege we have in sharing Christ. *** We will be serving a dinner at church at 6:00pm, so you can come directly from work or home. Whether you are a church member, an academy parent, in a staff or leadership role, we all need to be here as we work together for the future of our ministry. Its is a wonderful time to join together as a body of Christ and just be amazed at the Lord's goodness to us!

BUNCO! A Women's Night Out

Women's night out will be a fun filled evening of food, drinks & Bunco! Bunco is an easy to learn, easy to play game of rolling the dice. Bring your favorite dish and come mingle with the Women of Northdale! Feel free to message Allison at 516-606-8324 if you have any questions. Looking forward to seeing all of you!

March 24th from 6-9pm

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Northdale Voters - Call Meeting

Today we will be holding a call meeting to extend a divine call for a kindergarten teacher in our Northdale Christian Academy. The call meeting will take place at 11:30am, immediately following the conclusion of the late service.

Academia Cristo (Iglesia Cristo WELS Internacional)

This is a new self-directed class for people who are Spanish speaking to learn more about the Bible and God's plan of salvation for all people. If you or anyone you know would like to check it out, simply download the Academia Cristo App, and it will walk you through the set-up and get you on your way. Thousands of people have already begun to use Academia Cristo, as it is a very simply way to begin learning about the Bible and the love of a Savior. We have been using Academia Cristo in Latin America and have been seeing many blessings, as people can use this course at their own pace and in their own homes. Please speak with Pastor Guse for more information.

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Serving Today

Music: 8:30 - Daniel Roemhildt
10:30 - Daniel Roemhildt
Ushers: 8:30- Picone/Reiland
10:30 - Smayling/Schebel

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:30 - Dane Mattes
10:30 - Dane Mattes
Ushers: 8:30 - Busch
10:30 - Berg