



**NORTHDALE**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH



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

## 2nd Sunday of Easter

April 16, 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 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

### SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

**Opening Hymn:** *CW #440, "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"*



1 Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands for our of -  
 2 No son of man could con - quer death, such ru - in  
 3 Christ Je - sus, God's own Son, came down, his peo - ple



fens - es giv - en; but now at God's right hand he  
 sin had wrought us. No in - no - cence was found on  
 to de - liv - er; de - stroy - ing sin, he took the



stands and brings us life from heav - en.  
 earth, and there - fore death had brought us  
 crown from death's pale brow for - ev - er.



There - fore let us joy - ful be and sing to  
 in - to bond - age from of old and ev - er  
 Stripped of pow'r, no more it reigns; an emp - ty



God right thank - ful - ly loud songs of  
 grew more strong and bold and held us  
 form a - lone re - mains; its sting is



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 as its cap - tive. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lost for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*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: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

### **Absolution**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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 Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

Hymn: CW #440, "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"



6 So let us keep the fes - ti - val to which the  
7 Then let us feast this Eas - ter Day on Christ, the



Lord in - vites us; Christ is him - self the joy of  
bread of heav - en; the Word of grace has purged a -



all, the sun that warms and lights us.  
way the old and e - vil leav - en.



Now his grace to us im - parts e - ter - nal  
Christ a - lone our souls will feed; he is our



sun - shine to our hearts; the night of  
meat and drink in - deed; faith lives up -



sin is end - ed. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
on no oth - er! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

O risen Lord, you came to your disciples and took away their fears with your word of peace. Come to us also by Word and sacrament, and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of your abiding presence; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen**



*BE SEATED*

## THE WORD OF GOD



### The First Lesson: Acts 2:14a, 22–32

<sup>14</sup>Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:

<sup>22</sup>“Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. <sup>23</sup>This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. <sup>24</sup>But God raised him from the dead, freeing

him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. <sup>25</sup>David said about him:

“ ‘I saw the Lord always before me.

Because he is at my right hand,

I will not be shaken.

<sup>26</sup>Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

my body also will rest in hope,

<sup>27</sup>because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,

you will not let your holy one see decay.

<sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the paths of life;

you will fill me with joy in your presence.’

<sup>29</sup>“Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. <sup>30</sup>But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup>Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. <sup>32</sup>God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

## **Children's Devotion**

## **The Second Lesson: John 20:19–31**

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup>Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” <sup>22</sup>And with that he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.”

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord!”

But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

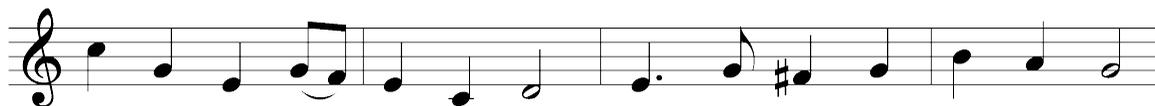
<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.”

<sup>28</sup>Thomas said to him, “My Lord and my God!”

<sup>29</sup>Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

<sup>30</sup>Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Sermon Hymn, CW #455 "Alleluia! Jesus Lives"



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus lives! He is now the Liv - ing One;  
2 Je - sus lives! Let all re - joice; praise him, ran-somed ones of earth.  
3 Je - sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and fre-quent sigh?  
4 Je - sus lives! And thus, my soul, life is yours e - ter - nal - ly;



from the gloom-y house of death forth the con-quer - or has gone,  
Praise him in a no - bler song, cher - u - bim of heav'n-ly birth.  
He who died our broth-er here lives our broth-er still on high,  
joined to him, your liv - ing head, where he is, you too shall be;



bright fore - run - ner to the skies of his peo - ple, yet to rise.  
Praise the Vic - tor - King, whose sway sin and death and hell o - bey.  
lives for - ev - er to be - stow bless - ings on his Church be - low.  
you with him at his right hand vic - tor o - ver death shall stand.

## **Sermon Text: 1 Peter 1:3–9**

<sup>3</sup>Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. <sup>7</sup>These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup>for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

## **Sermon Theme:**

### **“Christians Have A Living Hope.”**

1. Based on Jesus' Resurrection
2. Protected by God's Power
3. Anticipating our Eternal Salvation

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**THE NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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**OFFERING**

*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.*

## Prayer of the Church

**All:** 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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Since we believe in the Biblical principle found in 1 Corinthians 11:26, that communion at the Lord's table is a confession of faith, we ask that nonmembers please speak with pastor before communing. Thank you.*

### PREFACE

*(The words of the Preface mark the beginning of the Sacrament section of the service and lift the worshipers' hearts in praise. The opening sentences are among the oldest in the Christian liturgy.)*



**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



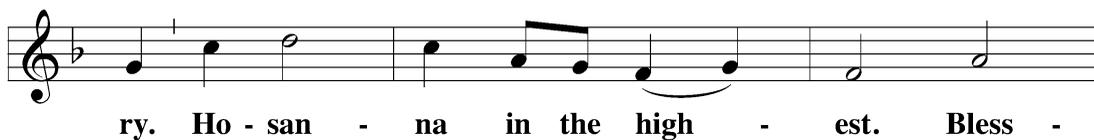
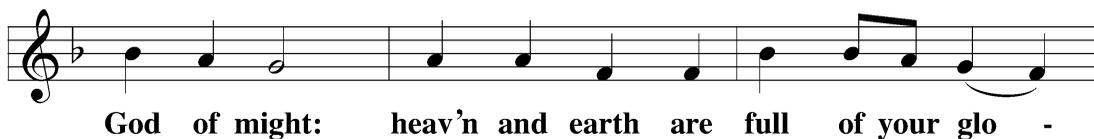
**C:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, he empowered his Church to be witnesses of Christ to the ends of the earth. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.



## 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."

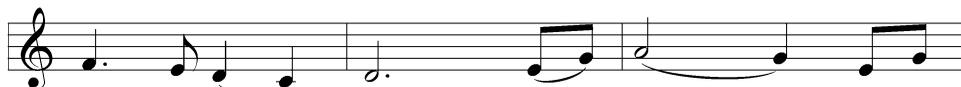
M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O Christ, Lamb of



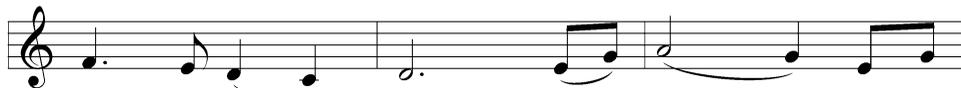
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

## **Distribution**

(The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith.)

**Guests:** So that there is no misunderstanding, we ask that you please speak with the pastor before communing with us.

**Members:** We encourage you to use "Personal Preparation for Holy Communion" on page 156 in the front of the hymnal.



## **FINAL PRAYER**

**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## **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 #460, "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:  
2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:  
3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise;  
see the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil in con - fu - sion and re - treat;  
al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior who has gained the vic - to - ry;



he who on the cross a vic-tim for the world's sal - va - tion bled—  
once he died, and once was bur-ied: now he lives for - ev - er - more,  
al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.  
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re-deem-er, whom we wor-ship and a - dore.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia to the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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# **Announcements:**

## **Let's... Bible Brunch!**

Join us on **Wednesday, April 19th at 11:00am** for a time of feeding our bodies and our souls. All attendees are asked to bring a food or appetizer item to pass and share. Doesn't have to be much, but it does have to be edible. We will begin with food and Bible study topic. We will end with food and social time. Drinks will be provided. Contact Pastor Guse for more information, 920.517.9000. See you there!

## **Vacation Bible School 2023**

Our theme for this year is Make Waves/Living for Jesus! Our VBS will run June 19th-23rd. There are a few things you need to know....

1. The **VBS snack donation** list is on the back table.
2. Our **VBS staff/helper meeting** is on **Tuesday, May 2nd at 6:00pm**.
3. **VBS lunch/dinner signup** sheet for prep school helpers is on the back table.
4. To donate a **monetary gift** to help with VBS - please give it to Pastor.

## **Camp South 2023**

Our WELS District Camp South will run July 24th-28th. Please see information and sign up on the back table. **All campers need to be signed up by Sunday, May 7th.** *Again, the cut off date is Sunday, May 7th.*

## **Soccer Day Volunteers**

Every spring, our WELS schools have a soccer tournament for students in grades 3-8. Northdale is the one tasked with hosting the tournament on April 21 from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. Any tournament requires many volunteers. If you are interested in helping out use the link to sign-up or contact Mr. Haring at (517)202-7283. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044BAFA922A6F49-soccer>

## **Congregational Beach Day**

Join us on Saturday, April 22nd at North Beach, Fort De Soto Park, Shelter #04. We will start arriving around 10:00am but feel free to come anytime. Bring your own cooler of drinks and lunch, alcohol is not allowed in the county park. Bring a dish to pass if you'd like. Don't forget to bring sunscreen!

## **Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Spring Rally (LWMS)**

All women are invited to the spring rally held at Peace Lutheran Church in Trinity, FL on May 6, 2023. Rev. Carl Leyrer of Latin America Missions and Hispanic outreach will be presenting. Registration begins at 8:30am. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn and to be involved in the missions of our church body.

### **Bingo Night!!**

Our Spring congregation Bingo Night will be held on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:00pm. There will be food, there will be prizes, and YOU could be a winner! Our Bing Night is open to all families all ages, come and see you there!

### **Called Staff**

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### **Serving Today**

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

### **Serving Next Week**

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

### **2022-2023 Year to Date Offerings Through February 2023**

General Offering Received: \$ 165,645.33  
General Offering Budgeted:\$ 171,466.64  
Ahead or (Short) Year to Date: (-5,821.31 )  
Average Weekly Offerings Received (35 weeks): \$4,733  
Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (52 weeks): \$5,000

