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

Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024

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

Opening Hymn, CW #412 vs 1-3

All Glory Laud and Honor

Please Stand

Invocation

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

C: **Amen.**

M: Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

C: **Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: **Almighty and merciful Father,**

We have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

We have done those things that we should not have done,

and we have not done those things that we should have done.

Have mercy on us, Lord!

Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,

according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

M: God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Please Be Seated

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-12

The prophet Zechariah pictures the promised Savior coming to his people. A Savior coming in humility, but yet with divine glory, justice, and peace. A prophecy that would be fulfilled with Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday.

⁹Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!

Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!

See, your king comes to you,
righteous and victorious,
lowly and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰I will take away the chariots from Ephraim
and the warhorses from Jerusalem,
and the battle bow will be broken.

He will proclaim peace to the nations.
His rule will extend from sea to sea
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit.

¹²Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope;
even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

Second Reading: Mark 11:1-10

Mark records Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem amidst great worship and songs of praise.

¹As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ²saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

⁴They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, ⁵some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" ⁶They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. ⁷When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

¹⁰"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Sermon Hebrews 12:1-3

Jesus' unwavering devotion and dedication to his heavenly Father's will led him steadfast into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, and eventually to the cross for the salvation of the world. It is with that same determination and perseverance of faith, we live everyday seeking to carry out our heavenly Father's will.

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ²fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Press on to the Goal!

- 1) Putting off what hinders
- 2) Fixing our eyes on Jesus
- 3) Drawing encouragement from Jesus

Hymn, CW #512 vs 1-4

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Please Stand

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

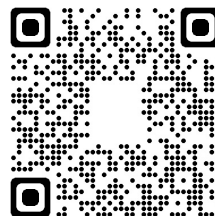
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand 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.

Please 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>.



Please Stand

Prayer of the Church

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.

Please Be Seated

Hymn, CW #512 vs 5-6

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Announcements:

Idols We Never Knew We Had!

Join us for Bible Study as we take a look at the things that get in the way of our life with God. Somethings might surprise you! Join us at 9:30am in the Church sanctuary.

Easter Lillies

If you would like to donate a lily in honor/memoriam the cost is \$10. Envelopes are on the back entryway table.

Easter Worship Schedule

Maundy Thursday, March 28th - Communion Worship 6:30pm

Good Friday, March 29th - Service of Darkness 6:30pm

Easter Sunday, March 31st - Festival Worship 8:30am & 10:30am

Easter Breakfast - 9:30am

Easter Egg Hunt - 11:30

Easter Breakfast Sign-Up!

Sign-up sheets are on the back entryway table. Please have all food items here by 9:30am, so that it is all ready to go. We will have the giant warmer out to keep foods nice and hot. What a beautiful morning and breakfast it will be!

Easter Egg Hunt Donations

This year we are asking for bags of non-melting candy (*Starbursts, smarties, life savors, etc...*) Whatever can fit in an Easter egg! No Pre-filled eggs this year please, just bags of individually wrapped non-melting candies. You can bring and leave your donations on the back table of church. Thank you!

Money Counters

If you are able to help count offerings after second service from time to time as part of our offering counting team, please let Pastor know.

Bible Information Class

Bible Information Class is on Tuesday nights at 7:00pm, and babysitting is provided. Talk with Pastor Guse for more information.

A Park, a Grill, and US!

Join us on Sunday, April 14th after late service at neighboring Northdale Park for an after worship cookout, park, and fellowship day. Bring your own chairs, swimsuits for splash pad, everything else will be provided. There maybe kid vs adult kickball, and pastor's famous SNO-CONES! *Brought to you by our Party Planning Committee!*

Camp South 2024!

If you have a child 4th - 9th grade that wants to attend Camp South this year please register as soon as possible at **southatlanticyouth.com** If any adult would like to attend as a chaperone, please also register at the link above. Information packs are on the back table. You can also find more information and a video on our district website - southatlanticyouth.com

WELS International Youth Rally 2024

This summer, teens from our churches all over the nation will descend upon Colorado State University under the theme, "From The Mountaintops!" There is a display on the back entryway table along with more information. **If you are/have a teenager who would like to consider going, please sign up on the "Interest List" on the back table,** there is no money or commitment needed at this time.

Youth Summer Camps

Every summer our churches in the South Atlantic District of our WELS Synod put on camps to gather our youth for worship, faith, and friendships. We have *Camp South* in Covington, GA (3rd - 8th grade), the *Amazing Race* in Orlando, FL (9th - 12th grade), and every other year the *International Youth Rally* (8th -12th grade). These events are such wonderful opportunities for our youth to gather and to grow in their Christian faith. *** **To make sure every youth who wants to go - can go, there are donation envelopes on the back table to help us all subsidize the cost for our families.**

Serving Today

Music: 8:30/10:30 - D. Roemhildt

Ushers: 8:30 - Busch

10:30 - Smayling/Schebel

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:30/10:30 - D. Roemhildt

Ushers: 8:30 - Koren

10:30 - Mosakowski

"Prayers For".....

"I urge then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession, and thanksgiving be made for all people." (1 Timothy 2:1) As a body of Christ, we can show our love by praying for one another. Please submit all your prayer requests to the church office - office@northdalelutheran.org

Congregational Prayers: **Jarvis Family** as Joyce Jarvis was called home to heaven this past week. **Those Shut-in:** **Paul Ulbricht** at Concordia Village, **Jean Schofer** at Arden Courts, **Bob & Joyce Jarvis** at Concordia Village, **Grace Ballieu** at Accordia Woods Assisted Living, **Fred Lawrence** at home. **Continued Prayers:** **Victor Carnahan** who is undergoing times of hardship that the Lord would give him strength of faith, **Ruth Jenkins** recovering at home after suffering a stroke, **Frankie Gardner** under treatment for a tumor in the her liver, **Linda Mosakowski** under treatment for ovarian cancer, **Don Bublitz** under treatment for blood clots and weakened health, **Pedro Mendez Sr** under treatment for heart issues, **Amanda Smayling** for continued health through pregnancy. **Prayers for the Kingdom:** **Peace Lutheran Church**, Trinity FL continuing to call to fill their pastoral vacancy, **Bay Pines Lutheran Church**, Seminole FL continuing to call to fill teaching vacancies.

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2022-2023 Year to Date Offerings Through January 2024

General Offering Received: \$ 162,819.92
General Offering Budgeted: \$ 160,416.69
Ahead or (Short) Year to Date: \$ 2,403.23
Average Weekly Offerings Received (31 weeks): \$ 5,252
Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (52 weeks): \$ 5,288