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

The 13th Sunday After Pentecost

August 18, 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

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Opening Hymn, CW#913

Come Away From Rush and Hurry

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: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open and before whom all lives are laid bare; in deep humility we gather before you today to confess our many sins seeking your mercy and grace.

C: **Holy Gracious Lord,
We confess, in your command to be perfect, we are not.
We confess, in your command to love our neighbor, we do not.
We confess, in your command to love you above all things, we have not.
We have so often lived by our own strength, been guided by our own eyes,
and lived for this world alone. We have followed the desires of our hearts,
rather than being led by your Word. Wash away our wrongdoing and
cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore to us
the joy of your salvation.**

M: Before God who knows our minds and searches our hearts. Trusting solely in the merits of Jesus Christ, do you this day confess all your sins in thought, word, and deed? If so answer, I do confess.

C: **I do confess.**

M: Upon your confession, be assured our Heavenly Father has sent his Son into the world to save sinners. Through Jesus's death and resurrection, you are forgiven. You are God's people and have been made heirs of heaven, an eternal kingdom that cannot be destroyed. May the Lord open our eyes to see God's truth, give us wisdom to walk in his commands, and strengthen us to do his will. Amen.

Be Seated

Song of Praise CW#562

Jesus Paid it All

Sacrament Of The Lord's Supper

M: Being assured of our forgiveness, the Lord now invites us to his altar for the reception of his Holy Supper. Wherein, through this eating and drinking the Lord gives us his very body and blood, once shed on the cross, to remove any and all doubt of our forgiveness in Christ. May we come forward with joy, knowing the guilt of our sin is taken away. May we come forward with confidence, here to receive the strengthening of our faith to live a God pleasing life.

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.

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:

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.

Communion Prayer:

M: Blessed are you, Lord, God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin. Bless us as we have received your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. May you increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.



THE WORD OF GOD*

The First Lesson: 1 Corinthians 2:6–16

True wisdom comes from the Lord. While in this world we may have an earthly wisdom, only the Holy Spirit can reveal the eternal wisdom that comes from God's Word.

⁶We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. ⁷No, we declare God's wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹However, as it is written:

“What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived”—the things God has prepared for those who love him— ¹⁰these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit.

The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. ¹¹For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹²What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. ¹³This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit-taught words. ¹⁴The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit. ¹⁵The person with the Spirit makes judgments about all things, but such a person is not subject to merely human judgments, ¹⁶for,

“Who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

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: John 6:35–51

In this section Jesus declares he is the Bread of Life. All who come to him hungry for mercy and forgiveness, they will be filled with his righteousness and peace. All who feast on the Word of Jesus in this life will be filled with eternal life.

³⁵Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ³⁶But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. ³⁷All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. ⁴⁰For my Father’s will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.”

⁴¹At this the Jews there began to grumble about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They said, “Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I came down from heaven’?”

⁴³“Stop grumbling among yourselves,” Jesus answered. ⁴⁴“No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets: ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me. ⁴⁶No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. ⁵⁰But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”

Sermon Text: Proverbs 9:1–6

¹Wisdom has built her house;
she has set up its seven pillars.
²She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine;
she has also set her table.
³She has sent out her servants, and she calls
from the highest point of the city,
⁴“Let all who are simple come to my house!”
To those who have no sense she says,
⁵“Come, eat my food
and drink the wine I have mixed.
⁶Leave your simple ways and you will live;
walk in the way of insight.”

Come, Enjoy Wisdom's Banquet!

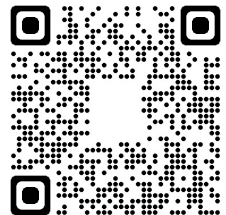
- I. All is ready
- II. You are invited
- III. Enjoy it forever.

Hymn, CW #623

O Bless The Lord My Soul

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

M: Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

C: Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

M: Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen in us a confidence in your promises and a desire to live according to your will.

C: Give us courage to stand each day in your Word, and restore us each day by your grace.

M: Guard the members of this congregation. Lead the married to love each other with commitment. Help parents to raise their children in the Lord. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

C: Protect us from the temptations that surround us, and give us pure hearts and minds.

M: Extend your healing power to all who are suffering. Comfort all who are in the midst of trial, sickness, or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for their faith and help them hold to the truth. Have mercy on those who care for the sick, and have mercy on those whose death draws near.

C: Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

M: Father, grant us these things for which we ask. For we pray in the name of your only Son, our Lord and Savior.

C: Amen.

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

Please Be Seated

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Announcements:

God’s Providence and Me!

Join us for our adult Sunday morning Bible study series on *God’s Providence*. We will be taking a deeper look into the way in which God provides for his creation and directs the affairs of this world. Adult Bible Study is held in the church sanctuary and begins at 9:35am. Just a look ahead:

August-September - God’s Providence and Me!

September - October - Revelation’s 7 Letters to 7 Churches

October - November - The Doctrine of Conversion *How it All Happens!*

Communicating Christ!

A new Bible Information Class will begin Tuesday nights, beginning on **Tuesday, September 3rd at 7:00pm**. This class is designed for those new to Northdale to learn what we teach and believe, for anyone wanting a mid-week Bible study, or for those wanting a refresher course on the doctrines of our Christian faith. This course will be held in the church sanctuary. We keep the class to 1hour.... AND babysitting is provided!

Public School Confirmation!

Public School Confirmation is open to all 7th and 8th graders. This is a 2-year course that leads them up to becoming confirmed as adult communicant members of the church and prepares them for their active participation at the Lord’s Supper. If you would like more information, please speak with Pastor Guse.

Northdale Lutheran Pioneers

3rd through 8th grade meets the first Thursday of the month from 6pm-7:30 beginning September 5th. If your child is interested in participating this year please contact Angel Allan (813) 850-3718

Bob Ross Night!

That's Right! Come join Bob Ross himself as we take on a painting adventure. This elegant evening is for adults only, as we will sip wine and graze off of charcuterie boards - *fancy for olives, grapes, nuts, cheese, and crackers*. The cost is \$10 per person to cover the cost of materials.... Please sign-up on the back entryway table!

Get To Know Your Academy!

Join us Wednesday, August 21st at 6:30pm for an Online Academy Open Forum. This presentation will highlight the ministry and the ongoings of our academy year. The link for the forum is <https://meet.google.com/hkj-pqqo-ztv> or it can be found on our academy website. The link is inserted in the latest academy newsletter.

A Member "Heads Up!"

Over the next months our church leadership team will be conducting every member visits. These visits will be updating you on all the blessings of our church, current ministries, future plans, and your thoughts on things. This presentation includes a slideshow and will take about 45 minutes to 1 hour. There will be a sign-up sheet with times and dates so we can arrange these visits. These visits are a way of rejoicing together as a body of Christ how we have been blessed by the Lord in our ministry here at Northdale Lutheran Church.

Pastor Daniel Voigt

Our congregation called Pastor Daniel Voigt to fill our position of Full-Time Spanish Speaking Pastor. Pastor Voigt is currently serving Calvary Lutheran Church in Sheboygan, WI. If you would like to reach out to Pastor Voigt please speak with Pastor Guse for his contact information.

Extended Care Position Available

Northdale Christian Academy is hiring an additional aftercare supervisor for the 2024-2025 school year. We are looking for someone who enjoys working with school aged children and is available after school. The hours would be 3:00-5:00 or 3:00-6:00 PM, Monday-Friday depending on the age group served. Qualifications also vary based on the age of students being supervised. Compensation is based on qualifications and experience. Click here to access a [position description and application for employment](#). Printed copies are available in the office. Please contact Mr. Mattes directly if you are interested or have a referral.

"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: Pastor Werner who celebrated his birthday this past week, Fred Lawrence who is at home on hospice care and is now awaiting the Lord's promise and call to his eternal life, Pastor Daniel Voigt as he is holding the call to serve our Northdale ministry, **Those Shut-in:** Paul Ulbricht at Concordia Village, Jean Schofer at Arden Courts, Bob Jarvis at Concordia Village, Grace Ballieu at Accordia Woods Assisted Living, Fred Lawrence at home. **Continued Prayers:** Our Schools and Students as they are returning for another school year, Ascension Lutheran, Sarasota FL which sustained major flooding from the hurricane and is in recovery, Nations at War for the Lord end the hostility, bring peace, and to protect the innocent, James Klecka who is recovering from knee replacement surgery, Ona Scherer who is recovering from hip replacement surgery, Diane Chalski who is recovering from a leg injury. **Prayers for the Kingdom:** Hurricane Relief as the hurricane has brought damage and flooding to our churches in FL, GA, and SC.

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Serving Today

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Elizabeth Guse
Ushers: 8:30 - Koren
10:30 - Mosakowski
Streaming: Berg
Counters: Newton

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Daniel Roemhildt
Ushers: 8:30 - Schofer
10:30 - Schebel
Streaming: Haring
Counters: Schinski/Klecka