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

New Year’s Worship

January 5, 2025

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

*** In preparation for Holy Communion, Members: We encourage you to use "The Christian Questions: Personal Preparation for Holy Communion" on page 295 in the front of the hymnal.*

Opening Hymn, CW # 441 vs 1-4

Our God Our Help In Ages Past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne Your
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight Are



hope for years to come, Our shel - ter from the
saints have dwelt se - cure; Suf - fi - cient is your
earth re - ceived its frame, From ev - er - last - ing
like an eve - ning gone, Short as the watch that



storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home,
arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
you are God, To end - less years the same.
ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

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

Please Be Seated

Song of Mercy, CW # 441 vs 5-6

Our God Our Help In Ages Past

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, soon bears us all away;

We fly, forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,

Still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home!

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 (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: 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: Almighty God, your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow him wherever he leads; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, 12-14

A new year brings another year of time. King Solomon writes there is a time for everything, but in everything it is a time to worship and serve our God.

¹There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:

²a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to uproot,
³a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build,
⁴a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
⁵a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
⁶a time to search and a time to give up,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
⁷a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
⁸a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.

¹²I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. ¹³That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God. ¹⁴I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it. God does it so that people will fear him.

Children's Devotion

At this time, we invite all our young people to come forward to hear a special message prepared just for them.



1 O Lord, our Fa - ther, thanks and praise In this new
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, our thanks and praise In this new
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, thanks and praise In this new
 4 Our faith - ful God, we cry to you: Still bless us



year we ren - der, For ev - 'ry e - vil had to
 year we ren - der; Your reign has kept your peo - ple
 year we ren - der, For you have led our eyes to
 with your fa - vor, Blot out all our in - iq - ui -



flee Be - fore you, our de - fend - er. Our
 free, Has shown your mer - cies ten - der. You
 see Your truth in all its splen - dor And
 ty, And hide our sins for - ev - er. Grant



life was nour - ished, we were fed With rich sup - plies
 have re - deemed us with your blood; You are our joy,
 thus en - kin - dled from a - bove With - in our hearts
 us a hap - py, good new year And, when the hour



of dai - ly bread, And peace reigned in our bor - ders.
 our on - ly good, In life and death our Sav - ior.
 true faith and love And oth - er Chris - tian vir - tues.
 of death draws near, A peace - ful, blest de - par - ture.

Second Reading Hebrews 13:5-8,14-16

As we enter a new year, the Lord will continue to provide all our needs. So, let us live every day in thanksgiving and in joyful service to our God.

⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said,

“Never will I leave you;
never will I forsake you.”

⁶So we say with confidence,

“The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.
What can mere mortals do to me?”

⁷Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

¹⁴For here we do not have an enduring city, but we are looking for the city that is to come.

¹⁵Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. ¹⁶And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.



1 Fa - ther, let me ded - i - cate All this year to you,
 2 Can a child pre - sume to choose Where or how to live?
 3 If in mer - cy you pro - long Joys that now are mine,
 4 If you have for me a cross And its shad - ow come,



In what - e'er my earth - ly state, In what - e'er I do.
 Can a fa - ther's love re - fuse All the best to give?
 If on life se - rene and fair Bright - er rays may shine,
 Turn - ing all my gain to loss, Shroud - ing heart and home,



Not from sor - row, pain, or care Free - dom dare I claim;
 More you give me ev - 'ry day Than the best can claim;
 Let my glad heart, while it sings, You in all pro - claim
 Let me think how your dear Son To his glo - ry came



This a - lone shall be my prayer: Glo - ri - fy your name.
 Help me trust you that I may Glo - ri - fy your name.
 And, what - e'er the fu - ture brings, Glo - ri - fy your name.
 And in deep - est woe pray on: "Glo - ri - fy your name."

Sermon Jeremiah 29:10-14

¹⁰This is what the Lord says: “When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. ¹¹For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. ¹²Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. ¹³You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. ¹⁴I will be found by you,” declares the Lord, “and will bring you back from captivity. I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you,” declares the Lord, “and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile.”

"Got Your New Year Planned Out?"

Please Stand

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 truly 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.

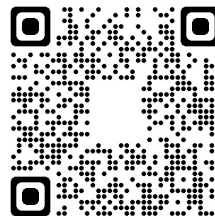
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

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

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>.



The Service of the Sacrament

Preface

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also 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.**



Proper Preface

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and reviled his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy (*Sanctus*) *Divine Service 1, Supplement*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,



God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -



ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -



ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na in the high - est. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

M: Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: 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.

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."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

O Christ, Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) *Divine Service 1, Supplement*

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.*

Please Stand

Thanksgiving

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Proclamation

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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.

Closing Hymn, CW # 334

The Doxology

The musical notation consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the doxology. The second staff contains the melody for the second line. The third staff contains the melody for the third line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him, all
crea-tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n -
ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!

Please Be Seated

Announcements:

New Year - Stronger Faith!

As we prepare to begin a New Year in the Lord's grace, let us recommit ourselves to the Lord's Word by making a commitment to attend Adult Bible Study and by bringing our children to Sunday School. Let us make use of the Christian Education opportunities to come to a deeper understanding of our faith and for a closer relationship with our Savior.

New Year Bible Study!

Join us on Sunday, January 12th at 9:30am for a new Sunday morning Bible study: "A Christian's Reaction to Blessings and Challenges." We will be taking look at the many circumstances of life and how we are able to respond and hold it all together with a steadfast faith!

Church Cookout

Join us today after late service for a time of fellowship, free lunch, and friends!

Pioneers

There is no Monthly meeting for Pioneers this month, instead we have our camping trip January 10-12th @ Camp Owen J. Brorein. We will be back to our regular scheduled meeting on Thursday, February 6th.

2025 Offering Envelopes

You can pick up your 2025 offering envelopes from the table in the overflow room. If you do not have offering envelopes but would like them, you can follow the instructions printed on the table.

Call Meeting/Voters' Meeting/Congregational Forum

Our Biannual Voters' Meeting and Congregation Forum will be held Sunday, January 26th at 11:30am. We will be updating on congregational life, current ministry, and give a financial overview. Our Voters will also be holding a Call Meeting to call for our Mission Enhancement position of a full-time Spanish speaking pastor.

January is Preferred Enrollment Month

Current NCA families, their siblings, and members of Northdale Lutheran Church will have 2025-2026 re-enrollment priority through the month of January. Any new students to NCA must first complete the online application through our website before they can be enrolled. Re-enrollment is the process for current NCA students already enrolled and will be completed through TADS in January. Starting February 1, new family applications to

NCA will be considered based on availability. Check out our website for the 2025-2026 enrollment fee and tuition schedule: NorthdaleChristianAcademy.org. NCA offers Christ-centered education beginning at age 3 through 8th grade.

Principal Mattes Receives Call

Principal Mattes has received a Divine Call to serve St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School in Norfolk, NE. Your prayers, thoughts, and comments are welcome to him as he deliberates this call.

Some Committees & Meetings!

Member Care Committee Monday, January 6 @ 6:30pm

NCA Open Online Forum Wednesday, January 8 @ 6:30pm

Party Planning Committee Wednesday, January 15 @ 6:00pm

Communicating Christ - A Bible Information Course

Want a refresher on our Christian doctrines of faith? Want to know more about what Northdale Lutheran Church teaches and believes? Join us on Tuesday nights at **7:00pm - Starting Tuesday, January 28th**. Everything is provided, even the treats! Babysitting is provided! Speak with pastor for more information.

"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: **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. **Continued Prayers:** **Mattes Family** as principal Mattes received a Divine Call to serve in Norfolk, NE, **Lynda and Tom Faucette** as Lynda's brother, Gary McCleary, passed away and was called home to eternal rest, **Karen Jacobs** who had been hospitalized and under treatments for a brain bleed, **Amanda Tortorice** as she suffered a severe broken leg and is homebound, **John Kim Jr.** as his home was flooded from hurricane Helene, **Sharon Shores** who has been diagnosed with lymphatic cancer, **Nations at War** for the Lord end the hostility, bring peace, and to protect the innocent, **Prayers for the Kingdom:** **World Missions**, that the Lord would bless the families and work of our foreign missionaries, as they seek to bring Christ to the ends of the earth. **Home Missions**, that the Lord would continue to provide his church with pastors and teachers needed to serve in full-time ministry.

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Serving Today

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Elizabeth Guse
Ushers: 8:30 - Busch
10:30 - Allan/Faucette
Streaming: Storm
Counters: Schinske/Klecka

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Daniel Roemhildt
Ushers: 8:30 - Picone/Raines
10:30 - Berg
Streaming: Berg
Counters: Newton

2024-2025 Year to Date Offerings Through October 2024

General Offering Received: \$ 77,183.44
General Offering Budgeted: \$ 99,333.32
Ahead or (Short) Year to Date: (\$22,149.48)
Average Weekly Offerings Received (17 weeks): \$ 4,540.20
Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (52 weeks): \$ 5,770