

Northdale Lutheran Church

Northdale Christian Academy

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"WE GROW IN GOD'S WORD SO THAT WE CAN GO WITH GOD'S WORD"

4th Sunday after Epiphany

February 9th, 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

Opening Hymn, CW #913

Come Away From Rush and Hurry

Confession of Sins

M(inister): The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

M: Lord Jesus, on this day as we gather for worship, we are reminded of your awesome holiness and glory. Yet, we come before your throne this morning in deep humility knowing our offenses, failures, and faults, and confessing our sins before you.

C: `Forgive us of our greed in stockpiling the material things of this world, calling it "prosperity."

Forgive us for the grudges we hold against our neighbors and family, justifying it as "righteous anger."

Forgive us for having called our pride and arrogance, "self-esteem;" for thinking our gossip and slander, is "good conversation;" for excusing our selfish decisions, as "a free choice."

Forgive us for failing to stand up for the truth of your Word, so that we might be viewed as nonjudgmental and tolerant.

Forgive us for those crying out for help in body and soul, and yet we do nothing because of our so busy and hectic lifestyles. Forgive us this day of all our sins, and restore us to you once again.

M: O Lord, we deserve only to be thrown from your presence and suffer an eternity in hell. Even with a thousand life spans, we could never make amends for the wrongs we have done. Therefore, we simply bow ourselves before your throne and cry out for your mercy.

Song of Mercy, CW #562

Jesus Paid It All

Please Stand

The Comfort of Forgiveness Psalm 103

M: "The Lord is gracious and compassionate,

Slow to anger, abounding in love.

He will not always accuse,

nor will he harbor his anger forever;

He does not treat us as our sins deserve

Or repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

So great is his love for those who fear him;

As far as the east is from the west,

So far has he removed our transgressions from us.

He has redeemed your life from the pit, and crowns you with love and compassion."

Take heart this day, the Lord has forgiven you. Amen

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, look with mercy on our weaknesses, and in all our dangers and needs stretch out the right hand of your majesty to help and defend us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please Be Seated

THE WORD OF GOD



The First Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5

As Christians we are called to preach the Word of God, for by doing so we are able to give answer for the eternal hope we have in Christ

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

¹In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: ²Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. ³For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. ⁴They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. ⁵But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

Song of Praise, CW #504

We Sing The Almighty Power of God

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: Luke 4:38-44

Even though Jesus performed earthly miracles of healing, it was the eternal message of salvation for which he came to preach. It is the same Word and message of salvation Christian churches still proclaim today.

³⁸Jesus left the synagogue and went to the home of Simon. Now Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked Jesus to help her. ³⁹So he bent over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. She got up at once and began to wait on them.

⁴⁰At sunset, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness, and laying his hands on each one, he healed them. ⁴¹Moreover, demons came out of many people, shouting, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew he was the Messiah.

⁴²At daybreak, Jesus went out to a solitary place. The people were looking for him and when they came to where he was, they tried to keep him from leaving them. ⁴³But he said, "I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns also, because that is why I was sent." ⁴⁴And he kept on preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

Sermon Hymn, CW #582

Not Unto Us

Sermon Text: Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴The word of the Lord came to me, saying,

5"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

6"Alas, Sovereign Lord," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am too young."

⁷But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the Lord.

⁹Then the Lord reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, "I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant."

"Called To Preach!"

- 1. Calling out Sin
- 2. Proclaiming Salvation

Sermon Hymn, CW #518

Christ Be My Leader

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

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

M:

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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 #927

Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

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:

Unity Sunday, February 23rd - Schedule of Events!

Worship - We will be having 1 service at 10:30am. It is a time to gather and worship as a body of Christ.

New Member Welcome - During the service we will welcome all our new members who have joined our congregation over the last couple months.

Miss Hardman's 25th Anniversary - During the service we will recognize Miss Hardman and her special milestone in ministry.

No Sunday School / Bible Class - There will be no Bible Class or Sunday School on Unity Sunday. As we will be setting up tables and chairs before service.

Church Picnic - There will be a church picnic immediately following the service. There will be a cookout, bounce houses, games, and activities.

Pioneer Pine Car Derby - During the picnic our Pioneers and congregational members will be racing their homemade pine cars for competition and for our entertainment.

Miss Aimee Hardman's 25th Teaching Anniversary

We will be celebrating Miss Hardman's anniversary on February 23, 2025. To show our love and appreciation we placed a gift card or cash box on the table in the church entrance way.

A Christian's Reaction?

Join us on Sunday mornings @ 9:35am for a new Bible study series that takes a look at the many circumstances of life and how we are able to respond and hold it all together with a steadfast faith! Join us this morning for "A Christian's Action: Struggling with Instant Gratification."

Northdale Job Fair!

No, not for employment, but for kingdom service opportunities! Starting Sunday, February 9th you will have opportunity after services, to visit specialized tables to see what opportunities there are for you to grow in faith and service. Maybe you want to be an usher, join a choir, attend a mid-week Bible study, help out with building and grounds, be part of the altar guild or party planning committee, get involved with youth, help with money/offering counting, and sooooooo much more! Take the time to visit the tables and see the great ministry the Lord has set before all of us!

Ash Wednesday Service

Join us on March 5th at 6:30pm for Ash Wednesday Worship as we set our hearts on our Savior's passion this Lenten season. There will be a potluck meal served at 6:00pm (everyone is to bring a dish to pass), and the service will start around 6:30pm.

Luther Prep Concert

On Saturday, March 22nd @ 7:00pm, the Luther Prep Choir Tour will make a stop a Northdale Lutheran for a Spring Christian Concert. There will be about 40 students that we will need to feed before the concert and house after the concert for 1 night. The meal is being organized by Peace Lutheran but we need to house the students. A sign-up sheet is on the entryway table for housing. The children of Northdale, Peace, and Citrus Grove Lutheran churches will be singing with the choir during the concert. It is such an amazing event!

People of the Passion

During the season of Lent, we will be holding a mid-week Bible study to set our hearts and minds on the sufferings of our Savior. We will be taking a look at some of the people and events surrounding our Lord's death and resurrection. This Bible study will take place at church on Wednesday, nights **beginning Wednesday**, **February 26th at 6:00pm.** Ash Wednesday Worship will replace the Bible study on Wednesday, March 5th.

Camp South 2025!

It's early I know! Our WELS South Atlantic District summer youth camp will run July 21-25. If you have a child entering 4th grade to 9th grade, and are thinking about sending them, please sign-up on the "Interest List" on the entryway table. Cost and registration will be figured out later, but just getting a jump numbers and what might be needed for chaperones and transportation. For more information, you can go to southatlanticyouth.com

It's MLC Grant Time!

Martin Luther College is offering a partnership grant, whereby the money given in support of our Northdale Lutheran member students attending MLC will be matched 100% up to \$1,600. So the \$1,600 we raise to support our member students attending MLC and preparing for future ministry will be matched to \$3,200. What a blessing! Envelopes are available on the back table and can be placed in the offering plate.

Moms and Tots

Join us this spring for moms and tots! This class is open to all young children and their caregivers, ages 18 months- 4 years old. We will meet at church on Tuesdays from 9:30am-10:30am on the following dates: March 4, 11, 25, April 1, 8, 15. This is a great opportunity to meet other children and their caregivers while being guided by caring teachers in a small group setting with stories, games, songs and art. We would love for you to join us! There is a registration fee of \$30 to cover the cost of supplies. Spots are limited! Register at www.northdalelutheran.org. If you have any questions, please email us at momsandtots@northdalelutheran.org or call the office at 813-961-9195.

Every Member Visits - Sign-up Today!

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 is a sign-up sheet with times and dates so you can arrange your visit.

Serving Today

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

Ushers: 8:30 - Roemhildt/Schofer

10:30 - Schebel

Streaming: Berg

Counters: Busch

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Dane Mattes

Ushers: 8:30 - Koren

10:30 - Mosakowski

Streaming: Storm

Counters: Schinske/Klecka

2024-2025 Year to Date Offerings Through December 2024

General Offering Received: \$ 138,619.86

General Offering Budgeted: \$ 148,999.98

Ahead or (Short) Year to Date: (\$10,380.12)

Average Weekly Offerings Received (26 weeks): \$5,331.53

Average Weekly Offerings Budgeted (52 weeks): \$ 5,770