

Northdale Lutheran Church

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

Ascension Sunday

June 1st, 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 piano. 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 #472 vs 1-4

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

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

Be now our joy on earth, O Lord, and be our future great reward.
Alleluia, alleluia! Then, throned with you forever, we shall praise your name eternally. Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!

O risen Christ, ascended Lord, all praise to you let earth accord.
Alleluia, alleluia! You are, while endless ages run,
with Father and with Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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 our Savior was taken up in glory and intercedes for us at your right hand. Through your living and abiding Word, give us hearts to know him and faith to follow where he has gone; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

Jesus ascends into the glory of heaven.

¹In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ²until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. ⁴On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

⁶Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

⁷He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

⁹After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

¹⁰They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

Children's Devotion

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

Hymn Response, CW #605

From All That Dwell below the Skies

Second Reading Revelation 19:11-16

In John's Revelation vision, the Lord gives a picture of the Last Day, when the ascended Lord will return in all glory and majesty, coming as our Savior and King.

¹¹I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. ¹²His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. ¹³He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. ¹⁴The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. ¹⁵Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. ¹⁶On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: king of kings and lord of lords

Sermon Hymn, CW #474

Hail The Day That Sees Him Rise

Sermon Luke 24:44-53

⁴⁴He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

⁴⁵Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. ⁵²Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. ⁵³And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

"Because Jesus lives, he reigns with power and blessing"

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.

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.

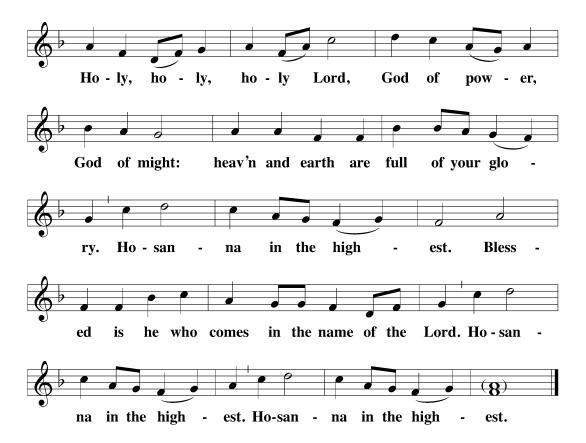
C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.



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 by his willing sacrifice on the cross took away the sins of the world and by his glorious resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy (Sanctus) Divine Service 1, Supplement



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



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 #476

On Christ's Ascension I Now Build

Please Be Seated

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:

Thank you Pastor Hunter

Today we thank Pastor Hunter of Citrus Grove Lutheran Church of Wesley Chapel for sharing God's Word with us today.

Spanish Speaking Pastor!

On Thursday, May 22nd Northdale Lutheran Church received a seminary graduate assignment from our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Seminary's 2025 graduating class. Pastor Noah Satorius and his fiancé Sara (to be married June 20th) are set to arrive in Tampa mid-July, with his installation service scheduled at Northdale Lutheran Church on Sandy, July 20th @4:00pm, with a congregation meal and fellowship at 5:00pm. Mark your calendars now, and set aside this time to come and praise our God for this blessing of having Pastor Satorius and Sara coming to work and serve among us!

Gift Box!

To help Pastor Satorius and Sara with their move to Tampa, there is a Gift Box on the entryway table. Gift cards to grocery stores, Target/Walmart, Amazon, and monetary gifts are greatly appreciated to help them settle in and make their move easier. Let us show our love and support as we welcome them into our family!

Pastoral Assistance

Pastor Guse is out of town this week. If anyone needs pastoral assistance during this time, don't hesitate to call,

Pastor Hunter of Citrus Grove Lutheran in Wesley Chapel - 920.213.8494 Pastor Bitter of Peace Lutheran in Trinity - 414.343.6437

Summer Office Hours

When school is not in session this summer, the NCA and Church office will closed Fridays. Feel free to reach out Monday through Thursday, 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM if you need assistance.

Spanish Worship - Sunday's @ 12:00pm

Entire worship is in Spanish! If anybody you know can benefit from our Spanish worship, we would love to share Christ love with them.

Splash Canyon! 2025 Summer VBS

Come take a wild ride on God's promises! Our summer Vacation Bible School will run June 16 - 20 from 9:00am-12:00pm. **Online registration is open** at <u>northdalelutheran.org</u> Tell all your friends now as we look to a great summer VBS!

No Summer Sunday School/Bible Class

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study will resume August 10th @ 9:30am.

Congregational Forum and Voters' Meeting

On Sunday, June 15th @ 9:30am, we will be having our annual June Voters' Meeting to update on ministry, hold elections for our Ministry Leadership Team, and ratify the 2025-2026 Budget.

"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.orgcd

Congregational Prayers: Those Shut-in: Paul Ulbricht at Concordia Village, Jean Schofer at Arden Courts, Continued Prayers: Ed Berg, as he is at home recovering from a stent procedure, Klecka Family as their mother Sandy Klecka passed away and was called to her eternal home, Rueff Family as they pray for their friend Sandra as she battles with Leukemia, Pastor and Barb Werner as they get ready to move to WI, Jean Schofer as she has suffered some broken vertebrae and is in recovery, as she is recovering at home from a stroke, Nations at War for the Lord end the hostility, bring peace, and to protect the innocent, Prayers for the Kingdom: Northdale Lutheran as we pray for the Lord to fill our enhancement position of a Spanish speaking pastor, 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 - Daniel Roemhildt

Ushers: 8:30 - Picone

10:30 - Berg

Streaming: Storm

Serving Next Week

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Grace Mosakowski

Ushers: 8:30 - Roemhildt/Schofer

10:30 - Schebel

Streaming: Haring

2024-2025 Year to Date Offerings Through April 2025

General Offering Received: \$ 227,813.62

General Offering Budgeted: \$ 248,333.30

Ahead or (Short) Year to Date: (\$20,519.68)

Average Weekly Offerings Received (43 weeks): \$ 5,298

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