



# Northdale Lutheran Church

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

## 3rd Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

**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 toddler area is available in the back of the church overflow room. There 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

Opening Hymn, CW# 451

See, What a Morning

*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*

**Hymn, CW#942**

**Create In Me a Clean Heart**

### **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: Acts 2:14, 32-41

*We continue with Peter's Pentecost sermon to the gathered people. Jesus has been raised, is exalted, and now rules over every authority.*

14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:

32 God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it. 33 Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. 34 For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said, ‘ “The Lord said to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand 35 until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.” ’ 36 “Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

37 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” 38 Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

40 With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” 41 Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to 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: 1 Peter 1:17-21**

*Christ has died. Christ has been risen. And Christ will come again. Therefore, Peter calls us to live as strangers in the world as we move through life, towards our permanent residency in heaven.*

<sup>17</sup>Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. <sup>18</sup>For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. <sup>20</sup>He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. <sup>21</sup>Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Sermon Text: Luke 24:13-35**

13Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. 14They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. 15As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; 16but they were kept from recognizing him.

17He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?”

They stood still, their faces downcast. 18 One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” 19“What things?” he asked.

“About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. 20The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; 21but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. 22In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning 23but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. 24Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.”

25He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” 27And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

28As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. 29But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.

30When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. 31Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. 32They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

33They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together 34and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.” 35Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

## **From Yearning to Burning**

## Sermon Notes:

**Hymn, CW #746 vs. 1, 6, 3**

**I Love To Tell the Story**

### **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:**

### **Congregational Voters' Meeting Sunday April 26 @ 9:30am**

Join us as our voters assembly seeks to make a substantial principle payment on our loan. If approved this action needs voter approval.

### **Sunday School/Bible Class -**

#### **Acts 29: The Story Still Being Written - Sundays at 9:30**

Join us these coming weeks as Pastor Satorius leads Sunday morning Bible class. This Bible class is based on the book of Acts and will tackle questions of church identity and answer questions like “What is a church?” and “What is our purpose?” God will bless our time together as we look at the early church, taking from their lead and example, so that we might see how we can serve our people and our community. Join us!

### **Foundations Bible Class - Thursday's at 6:00pm**

New Bible information classes have started! They will be taking place on Thursday nights at 6:00. Whether you are new to the faith, new to the church, or a long-time member, these classes are designed to give an overview of Scripture, the Foundations of the Christian Faith. If you have any questions or would like more information, please reach out to Pastor Satorius.

## **MLC Congregational Grant Program**

Martin Luther College (MLC) in New Ulm, MN is our pastor/teacher college for our church body. It is a tremendous blessing to have such a college to fully and properly train our future pastors and teachers! MLC has a grant program that allows congregations who have members attending MLC to receive matching gifts for tuition. Every dollar that our Northdale members give for our Northdale member students, those dollars are matched - so a \$20 gift becomes \$40, or a \$100 gift becomes \$200, and so on. If you would like to donate a gift to help our Northdale member students as they prepare for future ministry, please use the offering envelopes on the entryway table. May the Lord continue to send out workers into his harvest field.

## **Northdale FunFest Community outreach and involvement - April 25th, 10am-2pm**

Every spring, Northdale Park holds a community event called Northdale Family Fun Festival. It runs from 10 am to 2 pm, and we have secured a booth for our church and school. We will have giveaways and information about us for our community. If you are interested in being a part of this and giving an hour or two of your time to interact with our community, please contact Pastor Satorius to coordinate.

## **Northdale Lutheran Youth Night**

Our end of year gathering will be held on Wednesday April 29th at 6:00pm. It will be a special night as all our youth group and family members are invited to attend for a devotion, pizza, and competition night!!

## **Camp South 2025! - Soul Survivor! July 20-24**

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 to our campers is \$300, remainder of the registration fee and transportation cost will be covered by our congregation and grants. For more information, you can go to [southatlanticyouth.com](http://southatlanticyouth.com).

## **English teachers still needed!**

As we begin community English classes, we still have a need for a few more teachers. The volunteer team will be meeting this Wednesday to get trained and familiar with the materials. If this ministry interests you, please speak with Pastor Satorius.

### Serving Today (4/19)

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Guse

Ushers: 8:30 - Koren

10:30 - Berg

Streaming: Haring

### Serving Next Week (4/26)

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Guse

Ushers: 8:30 - Laurin

10:30 - Syverson

Streaming: Storm

### "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](mailto:office@northdalelutheran.org)

**Congregational Prayers:** **Seymour Family** as Jaimie is in the final weeks of pregnancy, pray for a healthy birth, **Walter Matthew** for upcoming cancer treatment, **Zarra Elias** a good friend of Angelina Lim - who is undergoing chemotherapy for breast cancer, **Christy Lambertus** sister-in-law of Susan Hanks who suffered a minor stroke and is in recovery, **Michelle Manley** for prayers as she is undergoing physical and financial hardships, **Brandy Santiago** who has been diagnosed with breast cancer, **Barb Hisson** who has been fighting kidney and uterine cancer, **Rueff Family** as they pray for their friend Sandra as she battles with Leukemia, **Nations at War** for the Lord to end the hostility, bring peace, and to protect the lives of the innocent, **Shut-ins:** **Paul Ulbricht** at Concordia Village, **Jean Schofer** at Arden Courts, **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.

### Financial Update!

*General Offerings Received July 2025 through February 2026 :*

Average weekly offering received \$5,686

Average budgeted \$6,020

Year To Date our Offerings are \$15,329 below our Budgeted need.