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

Confirmation Sunday May 3, 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

*** 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 #624 vs. 1-3

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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

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.

Please Be Seated

Song of Praise, CW #624 vs. 4-5

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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: O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading Acts 4:8-12

A building stands because of the structural integrity of the cornerstone. As the one who works our salvation to its end, Jesus stands as the one cornerstone of our faith.

⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: “Rulers and elders of the people! ⁹If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, ¹⁰then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. ¹¹Jesus is “ ‘the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone.’

¹²Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.”

Second Reading John 4:1-11

Jesus is preparing a place in heaven for all who believe in him. With another of his famous "I AM" statements, he calls himself the one way to this heavenly home.

¹“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. ²My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴You know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.” ⁸Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.” ⁹Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Don’t you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves.

Sermon 1 Peter 2:4-10

⁴As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him— ⁵you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For in Scripture it says: “See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame.” ⁷Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, “The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” ⁸and, “A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for. ⁹But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Precious and Chosen

Sermon Notes:

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>.



Rite of Confirmation

Confirmation Rite
Confirmation Promises
Confirmation Verses
Confirmation Blessing

Those to be Confirmed

Skyer Brynn Allan
Vienna Mae Goldberg
Nolan Thomas Mosakowski
Christa Ann Schebel

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, 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.

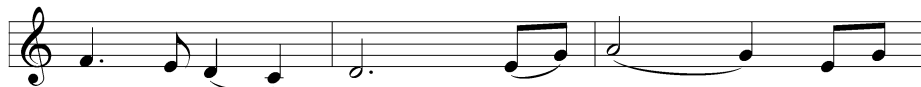
O Christ, Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) *Divine Service 1, Supplement*



O Christ, Lamb of



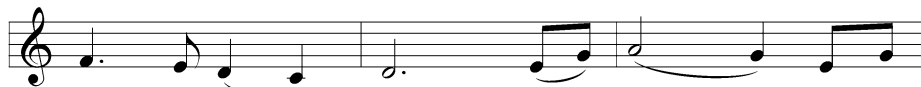
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of



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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

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.

Please Be Seated

Closing Hymn, CW #617

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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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:

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!

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.

Miss Hardman Farewell

On Sunday May 17th, we will be recognizing Miss Hardman for her many years of service to our Christian Academy before she leaves for her new calling in Wisconsin. There will be a card box available on the entryway table for cards and gifts of our love and support.

“God’s Wonder Lab” - Vacation Bible School June 15-19, 2026

Registration is now open for ages 3K (potty trained) through 5th grade who would like to attend VBS from June 15-19, 2026 (9:00am to noon). Join us as we sing songs, do crafts, eat snacks, play games, and more. Plus, you’ll learn all about Jesus our Savior and how He gathers us together! Can’t wait to see you there! To register, <https://northdalelutheran.org/vacation-bible-school/> Register now!

**We will be having a VBS meeting on Wednesday, May 13th at 6:00pm
for all helpers and volunteers wanting to help.**

ACADEMY NEWS/EVENTS:

Chuck E Cheese - Wednesday, May 4th

Mark your calendars for our final spirit night of the school year. It will take place at Chuck E. Cheese (14308 N. Dale Mabry Hwy., Tampa, FL 33618) on **Wednesday, May 4, 3:00-9:00 PM**. 20% of all event sales will be donated to NCA for our next fundraising project. Participants must mention Northdale Christian Academy when making their purchases for us to get credit. Thank you for your support!

Musical - Thursday, May 7th

You are invited to join us for the grades 1-4 musical, "Let's Eat!" on **Thursday, May 7 at 9:30 AM or 6:30 PM**. Performances will take place in the Northdale Lutheran Church sanctuary.

Spring Program - Thursday, May 14th

You are invited to join us for the preschool and kindergarten spring program on **Thursday, May 14 at 6:30 PM**. The program will take place in the Northdale Lutheran Church sanctuary.

Serving Today (5/3)

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Roemhildt

Ushers: 8:30 - Raines

10:30 - Berg

Streaming: Haring

Serving Next Week (5/10)

Music: 8:30/10:30 - Guse

Ushers: 8:30 - Faucette

10:30 - Allan

Streaming: Storm

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"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: **Gary Holmen**, the father of Jen Storm, as he started chemotherapy for his lung cancer, **Don Bublitz**, brother of our member Shirley Doerr, who is in failing health and being placed on hospice care, **Teresa St. Pierre** as she recovers from knee surgery, **Seymour Family** on the birth of their son Tucker, and join in rejoicing in his baptism, **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 Hissong** 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 March 2026 :

Average weekly offering received \$5,555

Average budgeted \$6,020

Year To Date our Offerings are -\$18,102.35 below our Budgeted need.