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

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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.
- ❖ Snacks and drinks are available for everyone after the second service.
- ❖ Help us be more welcoming by signing the guest registers in each row.

Please Note: To help keep the sanctuary as a quiet place of worship and meditation and for your convenience:

- ❖ A Quiet Room is available for the whole service for young children in the back of the sanctuary. Please make use of this room if your child becomes loud in worship.
- ❖ In the entryway, Busy Bags are provided for all the children during worship. There are coloring books, toys and snacks provided in each of the bags.



WORSHIP THEME

God's generosity in material things serves as a constant reminder of his even greater generosity in spiritual things.

Notes for worship:

- ❖ All hymns from *Christian Worship (CW)* are in the red hymnals in front of you unless printed in this service folder.
- ❖ All hymns from *Christian Worship Supplement (CWS)* are in the blue hymn books on the end of each of the pews.
- ❖ Everything else will be printed in the worship folder.

CALL TO WORSHIP

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER

All: I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

SERMON HYMN, CW #471, "RENEW ME, O ETERNAL LIGHT"

PLEASE STAND

INVOCATION

M: We worship today in the name of God the Father.

C: We praise Him for creating us and for providing all that we need.

M: We worship today in the name of Jesus Christ.

C: We praise Him for being our Savior.

M: We worship today in the name of the Holy Spirit.

C: We praise Him for creating and strengthening faith in our hearts.

M: O Triune God, we give all praise and honor to your name alone.

C: Bless us as we worship you this day. Alleluia!

M: Each one of us was born into this world as sinners. Try as hard as we may to live as God's children, we each must admit that we continue to sin. We also know that sinful people cannot stand alone before a righteous God. When we confess our sins, God promises his forgiveness through Jesus our Savior. Let us confess our sins using the words of Psalm 51 and ask God for his forgiveness.

C: According to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

M: Our God is loving and merciful and has sent Jesus to be the atoning sacrifice for all of your sins. Because of Jesus, God does not hold our sins against us nor will he cast us out of his presence. Your sins have been washed away in your Savior. 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 AND PRAISE

M: Have no fear. God's peace is yours in the forgiveness of your sins. With joy in our hearts, let us praise the Lord!

SONG OF PRAISE, CW #234, "PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY" (vs. 1,3,5)



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly
 3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,
 4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -
 5 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for
 reign - ing And, as on wings of an
 made you, Health has be - stowed and, when
 fend you; Sure - ly his good - ness and
 dore him! All that has life and breath,



he is your health and sal - va - tion!
 ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing
 heed - less - ly fall - ing, has stayed you
 mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you
 come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear Now to his tem - ple draw
 Have you not seen All that is reed - ful has
 What need or grief Ev - er has failed of re -
 Pon - der a - new What the Al - might - y can
 Let the A - men Sound from his peo - ple a -



near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 been Sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 lief? Wings of his mer - cy did shade you,
 do As with his love he be - friends you,
 gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-80, tr. composite.
 Tune: LÖBE DEN HERREN (1-4 14 478) *Ander Theil Des Erneuerten Gesang-Buchs*, Stralsund, 1665, alt.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus' name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

BE SEATED

THE WORD OF GOD*



THE FIRST LESSON: EXODUS 16:15-31

Note the point of God's generosity in providing temporal bread: "Then you will know that I am the Lord your God." This is always the point of God's invisible hand giving visible blessings. Each day we look at his visible gifts and give thanks for them as evidence of his love and compassion. He sustains the body so he may fill the soul with himself.

When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, "It is the bread the Lord has given you to eat. ¹⁶This is what the Lord has commanded: 'Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent.' "

¹⁷The Israelites did as they were told; some gathered much, some little. ¹⁸And when they measured it by the omer, the one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little. Everyone had gathered just as much as they needed.

*The Word of God

"The reading of the Lessons is a highlight of a service. The spiritually hungry have come to be fed and nurtured and to drink from the waters of life. Knowing that 'faith comes from hearing the message,' God's people listen intently with attention aroused to be blessed by the hearing

¹⁹Then Moses said to them, “No one is to keep any of it until morning.”

²⁰However, some of them paid no attention to Moses; they kept part of it until morning, but it was full of maggots and began to smell. So Moses was angry with them.

²¹Each morning everyone gathered as much as they needed, and when the sun grew hot, it melted away. ²²On the sixth day, they gathered twice as much—two omers for each person—and the leaders of the community came and reported this to Moses. ²³He said to them, “This is what the Lord commanded: ‘Tomorrow is to be a day of sabbath rest, a holy sabbath to the Lord. So bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil. Save whatever is left and keep it until morning.’”

²⁴So they saved it until morning, as Moses commanded, and it did not stink or get maggots in it. ²⁵“Eat it today,” Moses said, “because today is a sabbath to the Lord. You will not find any of it on the ground today. ²⁶Six days you are to gather it, but on the seventh day, the Sabbath, there will not be any.”

²⁷Nevertheless, some of the people went out on the seventh day to gather it, but they found none. ²⁸Then the Lord said to Moses, “How long will you refuse to keep my commands and my instructions? ²⁹Bear in mind that the Lord has given you the Sabbath; that is why on the sixth day he gives you bread for two days. Everyone is to stay where they are on the seventh day; no one is to go out.” ³⁰So the people rested on the seventh day.

³¹The people of Israel called the bread manna. It was white like coriander seed and tasted like wafers made with honey.



PSALM OF THE DAY, *PSALM 34*

Jesus' resurrection gives us the peace that God is always with us.



Refrain

Taste and see that the LORD is good;*
blessed are they who take refuge in him.

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous*
and his ears are attentive to their cry.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,*
and he delivers them.

Refrain

The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them;*
he delivers them from all their troubles.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted*
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

The LORD redeems his servants;*
no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,**

**as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

THE GOSPEL LESSON: JOHN 6:24-35

Jesus' miracle displayed that he was the Son of God. He satisfies the needs of the body to remind us of the greater satisfaction is the food for the soul that gives eternal refreshment.

Once the crowd realized that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?"

²⁶Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. ²⁷Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval."

²⁸Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?"

²⁹Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."

³⁰So they asked him, "What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

³²Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

³⁴"Sir," they said, "always give us this bread."

³⁵Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

SERMON HYMN, CW #402, "MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE"

SERMON TEXT: I CORINTHIANS 10:1-5, 11-13

For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. ²They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. ³They all ate the same spiritual food ⁴and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered in the wilderness...

¹¹These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come. ¹²So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! ¹³No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

SERMON THEME:

You Are Privileged People



THANKSGIVING

PLEASE STAND

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.**

BE SEATED

OFFERING

Please sign the Friendship Register in each of the pews and pass it to those sitting next to you.

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 His Word and in thanks for the many ways he has blessed us. We have joined together as a congregation to use these offerings to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world through the work of our Synod. Your gifts moved by the Holy Spirit out love for God and his blessings are welcome.

PLEASE STAND

OFFERING HYMN, CW #485, "WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN"

1 We give thee but thine own, What - e'er
 2 My we thy boun - ties thus As stew -
 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And horres
 4 To com - fort and to bless, To find
 5 The cap - tives to re - lease, To God

the gift may be; All that we have is
 ards true re - ceive And glad - ly as thou
 are bare and cold, And lambs for whom the
 a balm for woe, To tend the lone and
 the lost to bring, To teach the way of

thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.
 bless - est us, To thee our first - fruits give.
 shep - herd bled Are stray - ing from the fold.
 fa - ther - less, Is an - gels' work be - low.
 life and peace— It is a Christ - like tang

6 And we believe thy Word
 Though dim our faith may be:
 Whate'er for thine we do, O Lord,
 We co it unto thee.

Text: William W. Fowler, 1823-97.
 Tune: ENERGY (SM) William H. Monk, 1825-89.

COMMISSIONING OF STAFF FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR (10:30 A.M. SERVICE)

P: Northdale Lutheran Church and School has called or hired you to serve as teachers and aides in our congregation's Lutheran Elementary School. Are you committed to faithfully carrying out the duties of your work, viewing your work as a ministry of service to the children entrusted to your care?

Teachers and Aides: I am and I ask God to help me.

P: Are you willing to take up your service in Christian Education with enthusiasm, filling your own heart and life with the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ, and demonstrating an example of a godly life in worship, Scripture study, and Christian service?

Teachers and Aides: I am and I ask God to help me.

P: Will you strive to serve in harmony with one another and with this ministry's administration, praying for one another daily, seeking to advance the mission and accomplish the goals of the ministry of Northdale Lutheran Church and School individually and collectively?

Teachers and Aides: I will and I ask God to help me.

The congregation is asked to stand.

P: Children and families who will be served through Northdale Lutheran Church's Lutheran Elementary School: Jesus our Savior has promised eternal life to those who trust in him. Will you show your love to Jesus by cheerfully obeying your teachers and their aides, so that you benefit from their instruction and care, especially as they teach you God's saving Word? Will you give them honor and respect, so that their work will be a joy for them and an eternal blessing to you?

Children, Families & Congregation: We will and we ask God to help us.

P: Let us pray

Gracious and most merciful Lord, we thank you for providing faithful teachers and aides to your Church to proclaim your holy gospel among us and serve our children. Grant your grace and your blessing upon all of our teachers and aides, so that by their labors your lambs may be fed and your people strengthened and sustained in the saving faith, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen

P: Go, then, and take up the work to which you have been called.

With your blessing, Lord, strengthen all of these servants of yours in their ministry of Christian Education. Let your Spirit enlighten their minds and guide all their actions that they may be renewed in faith, united in love and encouraged to use their gifts in service to the mission of your Church.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

INVOCATION FOR THE START OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR

P: We begin this school year in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

8:00 a.m. service continues here

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Let us pray to the God of all knowledge and wisdom that the Church may be renewed and strengthened for her mission.

Silent prayer.

M: O Lord, you have revealed your good and gracious will to your people on earth. Forgive us for pursuing that knowledge that serves only our selfish desires and for using what we have learned to exploit and hurt others. Cleanse our guilty hearts of the apathy we feel for searching out the deeper truths of your Word.

C: **Holy Spirit, hear our prayer that we may put self aside and rejoice in the truth that builds up.**

M: Heavenly Father, send the Spirit of Jesus into our hearts so that like the Bereans of old we eagerly learn of you. As the deer pants for streams of water, may we be instilled with a longing to explore the mysteries of your grace.

C: **Holy Spirit, increase in us the knowledge of your truth.**

M: As you sent your Son among us as the Word made flesh, so bless the efforts of schools, colleges, and seminaries to train those who proclaim your presence among us in Word and sacrament.

C: **Holy Spirit, instill in us a desire to teach others the wisdom of your ways.**

M: God of light, give to the Church renewed wisdom and fresh understanding that the message of your salvation may shine ever brighter in this dark age.

C: **Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love so that others may see our good deeds and praise our Father in heaven.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Holy Spirit, renew the face of the earth so that at the name of Jesus every knee may bow.

C: May your peace, which transcends all understanding, guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

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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 forever. Amen.

BE SEATED

FINAL HYMN, CW #331, "GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH"

PLEASE STAND

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness and comforted in life and in death; through Jesus Christ, our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever..

C: Amen

BLESSING

M: Brothers and sister, 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.

C: Amen

BE SEATED

Copies of today's sermon and last week's sermon can be found on the table in the narthex on the way out of church. You can also find them on our website at www.northdalelutheran.org. In addition, all of our services are live streamed & can be viewed through the live streaming link located on our church website. We also e-mail out daily devotions. If you would like to receive these daily devotions, please e-mail Pastor Vann at pastorvann@tampabay.rr.com and let him know. You can also become a friend on Facebook.



Announcements:

Bible Class: Today we continue our study of Luke's account of Jesus' life in his Gospel in our Sunday Morning Bible Class. We encourage everyone to join us for this. Join us at 9:25 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Electronic Giving Now an Option At Northdale Lutheran!: You can now stop writing checks for your offerings and do all your giving to Northdale Lutheran online. We are using called 'Pushpay', which allows for simple giving through a variety of ways, including mobile and online. Pushpay currently accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover, as well as ACH (bank account) gifts! To get started, you can use one of the 3 following options:

1. Visit our website at www.northdalelutheran.org and click on the 'Give' link at the top menu.

2. Text NORTHDALÉ to 77977

3. Visit our e-giving website directly at <https://pushpay.com/pay/northdalelutheran>

If you have any questions, please direct them to contact Jeff Berg at (727) 534-1679 or jeffrey.berg@floridamoves.com. We're excited about this easy way to give, and think you'll love it too!

School Starts Tomorrow! The 2017-2018 school year starts tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m. We are currently starting the school year with an enrollment of 67 students. What a blessing from our great and gracious God! We will begin our year with an opening service at 8:05 a.m. The entire congregation is invited to join us for this service as we ask God's blessing on the year before us.

Next Bible Information Class: Pastor Vann will be starting the next Bible Information Class on Tuesday, August 22. The class will meet for 13 weeks from 6:30-8:00 p.m. This class is required for anyone who wishes to become a communicant member. This is a great review of the foundational truths of God's Word for those who are many years removed from Catechism Class. It is also a great way to invite a friend or neighbor to learn more about what the Bible says. If you are interested in attending this class or if you know of someone who is, just let Pastor Vann know.

Sunday School: Sunday School begins for our young children ages 3 through 5th grade the Sunday after Labor Day: September 10. This is our registration and kick off day. We encourage all of our families to participate in our Sunday School program. If you are interested in helping with Sunday School or teaching, you can speak to Pastor Vann or Kristin Phillips.

6th-8th Grade Catechism Class: It is that time of year for Catechism classes to start up again. At Northdale Lutheran, Catechism instruction is for all students in 6-8th grade and is required for a young person to be confirmed and become a communicant member of our congregation. Those students who attend our Lutheran School receive their instruction during the school day. For all those children who do not attend our school, Catechism will be offered on Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. These classes will begin on Wednesday, August 23. If your child will be attending this class, please speak to Pastor Vann to let him know so that he knows how many books to order for the class.

Congregational Meeting: Last year, the congregation gave the Ministry Leadership Team the ability to wait until September to approve the budget for the current year. That will help us make a better plan because we will know the number of students we currently have enrolled in our school and will allow us to work with a more accurate income number. The next Congregational Meeting will be August 27 after the 10:30 a.m. worship service where the budget will be presented and a direction voted on for our school expansion.

Called Staff

Pastor Charlie Vannieuwenhoven: 813-850-7520

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Aimee Hardman: 813-464-5113

Amy Vannieuwenhoven: 813-850-7520

Christopher Haring: 517-202-7283

Lynn Marggraf: 262-613-3020

This Week:

Monday (8/14): 8:00am - School begins!

Tuesday (8/15) 6:30pm - Bible Information Class

Thursday (8/17): 6:30pm - Thursday Bible Study

Sunday (8/20): 8:00 & 10:30am - Worship

9:25am – Adult Bible Study

11:30am - Fellowship

Serving Today

Music: Mark Thiesfeldt

Ushers: 8:00—Mike Phillips

10:30—Dave & Barb Hartwig

Acolyte: 8:00—Mary Sawyer

10:30—Richard Zarazua

Hostess: Amy Vannieuwenhoven

Elder: Chris Teeples

Serving Next Week

Music: Lynn Marggraf

Ushers: 8:00—Mike Phillips

10:30—Dave & Barb Hartwig

Acolyte: 8:00—Julia Busch

10:30—Mateo Amaya

Hostess: Amy Vannieuwenhoven

Elder: Chris Teeples

Attendance Last Week

Sunday 8:00 a.m.: 27

10:30 a.m.—75

Total: 102

Yearly Average: 112

% of Members in Worship: 53%

Financial Information

Contributions for 8/6: \$3,093.50

Online Contributions through 8/6: \$1,083.29

Contributions budgeted: \$4,884.61

Contributions budgeted to date: \$29,307.66

Contributions received to date: \$21,392.61

Ahead or (Short) through 8/6/17: (\$7,915.05)

2016-2017 Year to Date Actuals Through May 31

Total Income (Church and School): \$510,558.86

Total Expenses (Church and School): \$519,784.55

Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: (\$9,225.69)

Kids Page

I am the
bread of life.

John 6:35

