

Thirteenth Sunday  
after  
**Pentecost**

**Holy Baptism**  
August 27, 2023 | 9:30am



\* Congregational responses in **bold**

**Gathering Music**

*SFantasia On Nettelton*

arr. Jim Engebretson

*Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him*

Franz Joseph Haydn

arr. Schuster

*Jesus Loves Even Me*

Philip B. Bliss, arr. Olstad

**Words of Welcome**

**Processional Hymn**

*The Church's One Foundation* (stanzas 1, 3, 4, 5)

ELW 654

**Greeting**

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**Promises of Baptism**

**Sienna Ruth Holzinger**

Daughter of Natalie Ouska & Brad Holzinger

In mercy and love, God gives new birth to all into a living hope through the promises of baptism. Recognizing our human need, we celebrate God's dependable goodness, infinite new starts, and continued claim on our lives. Today, we especially celebrate that God claims Sienna as God's own, takes delight in them and surrounds them with love.

Natalie and Brad; called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ? (*Response: We do*).

As you bring Sienna to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with her among God's faithful people, to bring her to Jesus' sacred meal, to place in her hands the Holy Scriptures, nurture her in faith and ground her in prayer, so that she will learn to trust God, proclaim Christ, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help her grow in her Christian faith and life? (*Response: We do*).

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Sienna, in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her to live in the promise of baptism and to live among God's faithful people? (*Response: We do*).

Dear people of God, do you promise to surround Sienna with love and grace, and pray for her in her new life in Christ? **Response: We do.**

## **Apostle's Creed**

Do you believe in God the Father? **We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? **We believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? **We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Baptism**

### **Prayer**

**We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you claim your children as your own. Sustain Samuel and Addison with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the awe of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. Amen.**

### **Welcome**

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: giving thanks, praise to God, and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

Together, with our applause, let us welcome our sibling in Christ!"

### **Reading**

Isaiah 51:1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 138**

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with | my whole heart;  
before the gods I will | sing your praise.

**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast | love  
and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things.**

When I called, you | answered me;  
you increased my | strength within me.

**All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O Lord,  
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.**

They will sing of the ways | of the Lord,  
that great is the glory | of the Lord.

**You will make good your pur- | pose for me;**

**O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works | of your hands.**

**Gospel**

Matthew 16:13-20

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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**Sermon***"An Absurd Vision of Abundance"*

Pastor Paul Pettersen

**Hymn of the Day***Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

ELW 843

**Thanks for Your Generosity | Announcements****Sharing of the Peace****Music at the Offering***Andante non troppo from Concerto No. 2*

Henryk Wieniawski

**Noisy Offering | Offertory Response**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*(Children are invited to cheerfully bring their "Noisy Offering" to the front during the Offertory Response)*

**Prayers of the People**

(Congregational response following each prayer petition)

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come; your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**Sending Hymn***My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

ELW 597

**Blessing and Sending**

Go in peace and serve the Lord!

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sending Music***Marche Triomphale*

Paul Fey

# WELCOME TO NORMANDALE



## WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Normandale Lutheran Church is a community of believers who love, learn, worship, and serve as we walk in relationship with Jesus Christ and others. We hope you find in us a place of welcome, a place of worship, a place for you.

## LOOKING TO GET CONNECTED?



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# SUNDAY AT NORMANDALE

**Join us for Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship** in the Fireside Room following worship.

**Livestream** of Sunday worship is available as a way to participate in the regular worship life of our congregation. Visit [normluth.org/livestream](http://normluth.org/livestream) to watch from wherever you are.

**Hymnals** are located in the pew backs. Both the ELW (red) and ACS (purple) hymnals are used in worship.

**Hearing Devices** are available to enhance your worship experience. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

**Holy Communion** is offered during worship on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

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## NLC Kids

**PrayGround** is located at the front of the worship space and is filled with quiet toys and comfy seating for the littlest in our midst and their caregivers.

**Busy Bags** filled with quiet activities are hanging outside the main entrance of the sanctuary.

**Bulletins & Coloring Sheets** are located on a table outside of the main sanctuary doors.

## Noisy Offering

Children are invited to cheerfully bring their "Noisy Offering" to the front during the Offertory Response. This offering will help support the Children's Ministry and be collected every Sunday.

## Sunday School Starts September 17!

Musically integrated instruction offered following worship for children in Preschool - 4th grade. Taught by lead music teachers and volunteer small group leaders with Bible story learning, relationship building, songs, and games. Register Now!

# WORSHIP LEADERS

<b>Presider:</b>	Pastor Paul Pettersen
<b>Liturgist:</b>	Pastor Rebecca Gamble
<b>Organist:</b>	Gregory Peterson
<b>Instrumental:</b>	Normandale Flutes, Pam Shaffer Reinhard, violin
<b>Cantor:</b>	Cameron James
<b>Baptismal Deacon:</b>	Niles Bisping
<b>Crucifer:</b>	Gene Diaz
<b>Lector:</b>	Marilyn Kemme
<b>Greeters:</b>	Norm & Judy Teigen
<b>Sacristan:</b>	Lisa Schwie
<b>Ushers:</b>	Chin Team

## We Need You!

Help make Sunday happen!  
Our volunteers make worship possible. Interested in learning more about the ways you can serve or want to sign up?

Contact Kim Sannerud at [ksannerud@normluth.org](mailto:ksannerud@normluth.org) or 952.977.9380.