

Welcome to Normandale Lutheran Church

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 a place of welcome, a place of worship, a place for you.

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Sunday at Normandale

Hymnals:

We use the ELW (red) and ACS (purple) hymnals. Both are located in the pew backs.

Prayground:

Located at the front of the sanctuary, our "prayground" is filled with quiet toys and comfy seating, available for the littlest in our midst and their caregivers.

Coffee Fellowship

Join us in the Fireside Room following worship for coffee & donuts!

Worship Leaders

Preaching | Pastor Rebecca Gamble

Liturgist | Pastor Paul Pettersen

Acolytes | Marie Henningsen, Bergen Johnson

Cantor | Sheryl Schroeder

Choir | Normandale

Communion Deacons | Pam Werley,

Pat Lindstrand, Karen Newcomer, Kati Salmon

Communion Set Up | Sarah Howard, Jim Neiemeier

Lector | Celeste Eckstein

Musicians | Diane Larson-flute,

Jim Meffert -percussion

Ushers | Laaksonen Team

Organist | Gregory Peterson



Pentecost Seventeen

October 2, 2022

Worship | Holy Communion
9:30am

***World Communion Sunday** was established in 1933 at the Shadyside Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg, PA. It takes place on the first Sunday of every October, and is a way of promoting Christian unity and ecumenical cooperation. The National Council of Churches adopted the practice in 1940 in order to promote it worldwide. It offers us a chance to accompany sisters and brothers in the faith through music from around the world.*

* Congregational responses in **bold**

Gathering Music

Three Global Hymns

arr. Karen E. Black

Huan-Sha-Xi (ELW 280)

Les Petites Soeurs (ELW 808),

Njoo Kwetu, Roho Mwema (ELW 401)

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Golden Breaks the Dawn

ELW 852

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, who is eager to forgive us, longs to love us, and tracks us down where we may be found.

Amen

Dear friends, we confess our sin before God and one another
(silence for reflection)

God of grace,

We confess that we have been distracted and have lost our way. We confess that we have wandered away from you. We confess that we have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Restore us to you and bring us home, so that all may rejoice in the party you have prepared for us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Hear the good news! God's grace abounds! In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven! Come home to God's love for you and for all. Thanks be to God!

Amen

Gathering Hymn

Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord

ELW 875

choir sings 4 times, congregation joins on 5th time

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.

Song of Praise

This is the Feast

ELW Page 149

Prayer of the Day

God of creativity, your beloved peoples are from every culture, time, and place. We celebrate that you gave yourself to create true communion for all! Still, the world cries out with need and pain. Make us a part of your answer; as we delight in your desires, and get caught up in your vision of lives broken open in love.

Amen.

First Reading

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37

Do not be provoked by | evildoers;
do not be jealous of those | who do wrong.

**For they shall soon wither | like the grass,
and like the green grass | fade away.**

Put your trust in the Lord | and do good;
dwell in the land and | find safe pasture.

**Take delight | in the Lord,
who shall give you your | heart's desire.**

Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust | in the Lord,
and see what | God will do.

**The Lord will make your vindication as clear | as the light
and the justice of your case like the | noontday sun.**

Be still before the Lord and wait | patiently.
Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in | evil schemes.

**Refrain from anger, leave | rage alone;
do not be provoked; it leads on- | ly to evil.**

**For evildoers shall | be cut off,
but those who hope in the Lord shall pos- | sess the land.**

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Are We There Yet?”

Pastor Rebecca Gamble

Hymn of the Day

Light Dawns in a Weary World

No. 726

Thanks for your Generosity

Sharing of the Peace

Music at the Offering

Esimano olyaHe (sung in Oshiwambo)

Sakari Löytty

Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be. Amen

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.)

Holy Communion

Prayer

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

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Words of Institution

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.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

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Anthem

Baba wethu (Lord's Prayer sung in Zulu and English)

Anders Nyberg

Distribution Hymn

Halle, Halle, Halle

ELW 172

Communion Blessing

Sending Hymn

In Christ There Is No East or West

ELW 650

Blessing and Sending

Go in peace and serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sending Music

Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho

Fela Sowande (Nigerian Composer)

Stay in the loop at NLC!

TODAY

All Congregation Meeting & Vote
10:45am | Sanctuary

Sunday School | Pre K & K
10:40-11:20am | Room 110

Sunday School Faith Marker
Grades 1-4 | Bible Class

10:40-11:00am - Parents & Students
11:00- 11:20am - Students only

Grades 1&2 in room 209

Grades 3&4 in the Chapel

Normandale Center for Healing & Wholeness

Caregiver Support Groups

Wednesday, Oct 5 | 6:00pm

Saturday, Oct 8 | 10:30am

Powerful Tools for Caregivers

Friday Oct 5 | 10:00am

Friday Oct 14 | 10:00am

Self-Care Class Series

Fall Book Club

Friday Oct 5 | 1:30pm

A Dementia Journey

Caregiver Education

Saturday Oct 8 | 9:00am

Join us for one or all of our monthly offerings and build a sense of community for yourself. Connect with others also on a caregiving journey and learn from one another. For more information visit us at: www.normandalecenter.org/events



Morning Worship Service

Tuesdays | 9:00-9:20am | Chapel

Join the staff every Tuesday for a short, contemplative service of prayer for peace in our world and our lives.

This Week at Normandale

October 3 - 9, 2022

Mon Oct 3rd

9:00am - 3:00pm

Preschool & Blessing Place

1st Floor

Tue Oct 4th

9:00am - 9:20am

Morning Prayers for Peace

Chapel

9:00am - 3:00pm

Preschool & Blessing Place

1st Floor

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Virtual: Fall Yoga Series

Zoom

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Alcoholic Anonymous

Room 207

7:00pm - 9:00pm

Stephen Ministry Meeting

Studio A

Wed Oct 5th

9:00am - 3:00pm

Preschool & Blessing Place

1st Floor

9:30am - 11:30am

WWBS

Fireside Room

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Al-Anon

Multi Purpose N

4:45pm - 5:45pm

Boys' Choir

Multi Purpose S

6:00pm - 7:30pm

Caregiver Support Group

Room 212-213

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Girls' Choir

Multi Purpose

6:30pm - 8:00pm

Normandale Choir

Rehearsal Room

6:45pm - 7:45pm

Confirmation

Fellowship Hall

7:00pm - 8:00pm

Pre-Confirmation

Studio A & B

8:00pm - 9:00pm

Highschool Hangout

Fishbowl

Thu Oct 6th

9:00am - 3:00pm

Preschool & Blessing Place

1st Floor

10:00am - 11:00am

Thursday Morning Bible Study

Rooms 209-211

3:00pm - 4:00pm

Virtual: Book Study on Race

Zoom

4:30pm - 5:30pm

Cherub Choir Rehearsal

Multi Purpose

5:00pm - 7:00pm

Preschool & Blessing Place

Fellowship Hall

5:45pm - 6:45pm

Open House & Concert

Multi Purpose N

Hand Bell Choir

Fri Oct 7th

9:00am - 3:00pm

Preschool & Blessing Place

1st Floor

10:00am - 12:00pm

Powerful Tools for Caregivers

Rooms 209-211

1:30pm - 3:00pm

Fall Book Club: A Dementia Journey

Room 212

Sat Oct 8th

9:00am - 10:30am

Caregiver Education

Rooms 209-211

10:30am - 11:30am

Caregiver Support Group

Room 212

Sun Oct 9th

9:30am - 10:30am

Sunday Worship

Sanctuary

10:30am - 12:00pm

Coffee & Fellowship

Fireside Room

10:40am - 11:20pm

Sunday School

1st & 3rd Floor