



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024 | 9:30 am
Holy Communion

Congregational responses in **bold**

* Please stand as you are comfortable

Gathering Music

*The King Of Love My Shepherd Is
Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!*

arr. Charles Callahan
arr. Michael Burkhardt

Words of Welcome

Call To Worship

Bell Toll

Confession and Forgiveness

Let us confess our sin before God and each other

Kind and gracious God,

We confess our fear before you. You have called us to follow Jesus and we have hidden behind locked doors. Come and be among us, reassuring us of your abiding presence, that we may live faithfully in the world, proclaiming that you are alive and fear has no hold on us, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. Amen.

Children of God, you are not alone. In Jesus Christ, and his grace, you are safe, you are loved, you are forgiven, and you are free. Thanks be to God! **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

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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.

Hymn of Praise

This Is the Feast

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Prayer of the Day

Surprise us, O God, with your glorious power. Raise us up from our places of slumber, pain, and death, that we might live in the light of your love. Nothing can stop you from bringing us to life again, in the resurrection of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Reading

Acts 20:1,7-12

After the uproar had ceased, Paul sent for the disciples; and after encouraging them and saying farewell, he left for Macedonia. On the first day of the week, when we met to break bread, Paul was holding a discussion with them; since he intended to leave the next day, he continued speaking until midnight. There were many lamps in the room upstairs where we were meeting. A young man named Eutychus, who was sitting in the window, began to sink off into a deep sleep while Paul talked still longer. Overcome by sleep, he fell to the ground three floors below and was picked up dead. But Paul went down, and bending over him took him in his arms, and said, "Do not be alarmed, for his life is in him." Then Paul went upstairs, and after he had broken bread and eaten, he continued to converse with them until dawn; then he left. Meanwhile they had taken the boy away alive and were not a little comforted.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98

Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done | marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have | won the victory.

**O Lord, you have made | known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight | of the nations.**

You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the | house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory | of our God.

**Shout with joy to the Lord, | all you lands;
lift up your voice, re- | joice, and sing.**

Sing to the Lord | with the harp,
with the harp and the | voice of song.

**With trumpets and the sound | of the horn
shout with joy before the | king, the Lord.**

Let the sea roar, and | all that fills it,
the world and those who | dwell therein.

**Let the rivers | clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who comes to | judge the earth.**

**The Lord will judge the | world with righteousness
and the peo- | ples with equity.**

Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

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Gospel

John 15:9-17

The Holy Gospel reading in John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Sleeping During the Sermon”

Pastor Paul Pettersen

Hymn of the Day

Alleluia, Jesus is Risen

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Thanks for your Generosity

Sharing of the Peace

Music at the Offering

If Ye Love Me

Philip Wilby

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you forever; e’en the Spirit of Truth. And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you. – John 14:15-18

Noisy Offering | Offertory Response

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia (2)
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia (5)

*Children are invited to cheerfully bring their "Noisy Offering" to the front during the Offertory Response.
This offering will help Every Meal in their fight to end child hunger.*

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

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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

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Distribution Hymns

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838

My God, How Wonderful Thou Art

ELW 863

Communion Blessing

Sending Hymn

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

ELW 836

Blessing of 4th Grade Sunday School Kids

Sending

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

Sending Music

Hymn to Joy

Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME TO NORMANDALE



We're Glad You're Here!

Led by the Holy Spirit and living in God's grace, 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.

Welcoming Statement

We affirm that all people are created in the image of God, and as beloved children of God, all are worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome all people into full participation in the life and ministries of Normandale Lutheran Church.

We celebrate that there are differences among us, and believe that we can love one another, even though we may not think alike. We proclaim this statement of welcome to all who have known the pain of exclusion or discrimination in the church and society.

Normandale Lutheran Church is committed to a ministry of reconciliation. We welcome and affirm our human family's diversity of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, faith, history, socioeconomic status, physical and mental ability. We embrace this diversity as a gift from God, and invite all into a faithful journey toward greater love, understanding, and reconciliation.

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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 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.

Extended PrayGround is located outside of the sanctuary next to the Fishbowl for children age 4 and up and their families. There are quiet activities for and a screen to see and hear worship.

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

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Sunday School | 10:40-11:20am

First Floor: Pre K & Kindergarten - Room 100

3rd Floor: Grades 1 & 2 - Children's Choir Room

Grades 3 & 4 - Multi Purpose Room N.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presider: Pastor Paul Pettersen
Liturgist: Pastor Rebecca Gamble
Organist: Lorna Wolthoff
Cantor: Ann Kinney
Choir: Normandale Choir
Brad Beale, guest conductor
Lorna Wolthoff, accompanist

Lector:
Sacristan:
Acolytes
Greeters:
Communion Set-up:
Communion Deacons:
Ushers:

Arne Selbyg
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