



Congregational responses in **bold**

* Please stand as you are comfortable

Gathering Music

Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring

J. S. Bach, arr. Mel Bowker

Words of Welcome

Call To Worship

Bell Toll

*Confession and Forgiveness

Drawn to Jesus, and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

(silence for reflection)

God of grace,

We question your way when it differs from the way of the world. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. Turn us again to you, and forgive us our sin, that we may be restored to you and each other.

Beloved people of God, in the power of Jesus Christ and his love, you are forgiven. Go back out into the world with joy, living fully into God's wisdom and way. **Amen.**

*Gathering Hymn

God Is Here!

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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

God of sabbath, God of rest, God of infinite time, teach us again that your ways are not our ways, and that your ways are far better than ours, that we might slow down and see you at every turn, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Reading

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 81:1-10

Sing with joy to | God our strength
and raise a loud shout to the | God of Jacob.

**Raise a song and | sound the timbrel,
the merry harp, | and the lyre.**

Blow the ram's horn at | the new moon,
and at the full moon, the day | of our feast;

**for this is a stat- | ute for Israel,
a law of the | God of Jacob.**

God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the | land of Egypt,
where I heard a voice I | did not know:

**"I eased your shoulder | from the burden;
your hands were set free from the grave- | digger's basket.**

You called on me in trouble, and I de- | livered you;

I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the wa- | ters of Meribah.

**Hear, O my people, and I will ad- | monish you:
O Israel, if you would but lis- | ten to me!**

There shall be no strange | god among you;
you shall not worship a | foreign god.

**I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the | land of Egypt.
Open your mouth wide, and | I will fill it.**

*Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?

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*Gospel

Mark 2:23-3:6

The Holy Gospel reading in Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath." Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him how to destroy him.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"The World Has Our Hands, But Our Soul Belongs to Someone Else"
Pastor Paul Pettersen

*Hymn of the Day

What A Friend We Have in Jesus

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Thanks for your Generosity

Sharing of the Peace

***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.**

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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

*Around You, O Lord Jesus
Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus*

ELW 468
ELW 501

***Communion Blessing**

***Sending Hymn**

O Savior, Precious Savior

ELW 820

***Sending**

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

Sending Music

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

African American Spiritual
arr. Timothy Brown

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.

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

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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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