

Normandale
Lutheran
Church



Edina, Minnesota

Thirteenth Sunday
after

Pentecost

August 18, 2024 | 9:30 am • Holy Communion

Congregational responses in **bold**

* Please stand as you are comfortable

Gathering Music

Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior

arr. Gerhard Krapf

Words of Welcome

Children's Message

Blessing of the Backpacks

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

O Living Bread from Heaven

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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 who shows up: let us recognize your presence in ordinary things. May our hearts be open to where your spirit is leading us as we encounter the living Christ in the elements of bread, water, and wine. Turn our attention to the places you journey to, and may we participate fully and reliably in your work to mend the world. Amen.

Reading

Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, "You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:9-14

Fear the Lord, you saints | of the Lord,
for those who fear the | Lord lack nothing.

**The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing | that is good.**

Come, children, and lis- | ten to me;
I will teach you reverence | for the Lord.

**Who among you takes plea- | sure in life
and desires long life to en- | joy prosperity?**

Keep your | tongue from evil
and your lips from | lying words.

**Turn from evil | and do good;
seek peace | and pursue it.**

*Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?

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*Gospel

John 6:51-58

The Holy Gospel reading in John, the sixth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

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Sermon

"Where Am I?"

Jacob Boettcher Belz

*Hymn of the Day

Praise and Thanksgiving

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*Sharing of the Peace

Music at the Offering

Trumpet Tune In C

Alice Jordan

***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**

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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**

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

*Come, Let Us Eat
Be Thou My Vision*

ELW 491
ELW 793

Communion Blessing

***Sending Hymn**

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

ELW 547

***Sending**

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

Sending Music

Toccata on Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
arr. 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.

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

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

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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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WORSHIP LEADERS

Presider: Jacob Boettcher Belz
Organist: Pastor Hans Lee
Instrumental: Lorna Woltfoff
Cantor: Jane Anderson
Acolytes: Ayla Kluis
Lector: Karen Newcomer

Greeters:
Communion Set-up:
Communion Deacons:
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Ushers:

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