

Normandale
Lutheran
Church



Edina, Minnesota

Seventeenth Sunday

after
Pentecost

September 15, 2024 | 9:30 am • Holy Communion

Congregational responses in **bold**
* Please stand as you are comfortable

Gathering Music

*Three English Hymns: Tallis' Canon
Divertimento No. 1 in Bb*

Arr. John McIntyre
W.A Mozart, Arr. Jack Gale

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Deep Peace

Celtic, arr. Ray Makeever

*Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who looks upon us in compassion, forgives our sin, and brings peace and healing to us and the creation.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin before our gracious God.

silence for reflection

Have mercy on us, O God. We confess that our hearts often churn with anger, and our words and actions can cause harm to our neighbors. Help us to turn away from violence and animosity toward those near and far. Teach us your way of reconciliation and love.

We live into peace as we trust that Christ is our peace. By God's abundant grace, we are forgiven and empowered to live as beloved people for the sake of the world God loves.

Amen.

*Gathering Hymn

Thy Strong Word (stanzas 1, 4, and 5)

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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

Generous God, your Son committed his life to revealing the path of true peace for us. Still today, as Jesus asks, "Who do you say that I am?", we reach for tidy, too-small, and comfortable answers. Entice us to "Come and See" again, discovering you more deeply; learning on the journey, what it means to commit our lives to love, and fully confess you as our God. In the power of the Spirit, and Jesus, who leads us, Amen.

Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

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

Psalm 116:1-9

I love the Lord, who has | heard my voice,
and listened to my | supplication,
for the Lord has given | ear to me
whenever | I called.

The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave | came upon me;
I came to | grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the name | of the Lord:
“O Lord, I pray you, | save my life.”

Gracious is the | Lord and righteous;
our God is full | of compassion.

The Lord watches over | the innocent;
I was brought low, | and God saved me.

Turn again to your rest, | O my soul.
for the Lord has dealt | well with you.

For you have rescued my | life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my | feet from stumbling;
I will walk in the presence | of the Lord
in the land | of the living.

*Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?

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*Gospel

Mark 8:27-38

The Holy Gospel reading in Mark, the eighth chapter
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

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

Sermon

Pastor Rebecca Gamble

*Hymn of the Day

God Is Here!

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Thanks for your Generosity and Sharing of the Peace

Music at the Offering

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Gilbert M. Martin

*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.
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

*Will You Come and Follow Me
Praise and Thanks and Adoration*

ELW 798
ELW 783

Communion Blessing

*Sending Hymn

Lead On, O King Eternal

ELW 805

*Sending

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

Sending Music

March from English Folk Song Suite

R. Vaughan Williams
Arr. Jari Villanueva

See you outside at Rally Fest!

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

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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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: Rebecca Gamble
Liturgists: Maria Pederson, Hans Lee
Organist: Gregory Peterson
Cantor: Ann Kinney
Instrumental: Normandale Brass
Choir: Normandale Choir
Director: Gregory Peterson
Accompanist: Lorna Wolthoff

Acolytes:
Lector:
Greeters:
Communion Set-up:
Communion Deacons:
Sacristan:
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Otto & Nels Gunderson, Ayla Kluis
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