

Normandale
Lutheran
Church



Edina, Minnesota

Eighteenth Sunday

after

Pentecost

September 22, 2024 | 9:30 am

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

Gathering Music

Praeludium in G Minor

Dietrich Buxtehude

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

Let the Whole Creation Cry

ELW 876

*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

Glory to God in the Highest

ELW page 147

*Prayer of the Day

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Children's Message

Pastor Maria Pederson

Reading

James 3:13-18

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 54

Save me, O God, | by your name;
in your might, de- | fend my cause.

Hear my | prayer, O God;
give ear to the words | of my mouth.

For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have | sought my life,
those who have no re- | gard for God.

Behold, God | is my helper;
it is the Lord who sus- | tains my life.

Render evil to those who | spy on me;
in your faithful- | ness, destroy them.

I will offer you a | freewill sacrifice
and praise your name, O Lord, for | it is good.

For you have rescued me from | every trouble,
and my eye looks down | on my enemies.

*Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?

ELW page 151

*Gospel

Mark 9:30-37

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Pastor Hans Lee

*Hymn of the Day

Bring Many Names

ACS 1094

Sharing of the Peace

If there is to be peace in the world,
there must be peace in the nations.

If there is to be peace in the nations,
there must be peace in the cities.

If there is to be peace in the cities,
there must be peace between neighbors.

If there is to be peace between neighbors,
there must be peace in the home.

If there is to be peace in the home,
there must be peace in the heart.

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.

Music at the Offering

Children of the Heavenly Father

Arr. Paul Sjolund

*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.*

*Prayers of the People

Congregational response following each prayer petition:

Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

*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.

*Sending Hymn

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

ELW 843

Call Committee Update

Matt Klein

*Blessing and Sending

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

Sending Music

Marche Triomphale

Paul Fey

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. All are welcome at God's Table. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available.

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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 Starts Today!

10:40-11:30am | Age 3-4th Grade

First Floor: Preschool - Room 100

3rd Floor: Grades K, 1 & 2 - Multi Purpose Room N.

Grades 3 & 4 - Children's Choir Room

Not registered? Come anyway, all are welcome!

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preaching: Pastor Hans Lee
Liturgists: Pastors Rebecca Gamble & Maria Pederson
Organist: Gregory Peterson
Cantor: Rachael Leadholm
Choir: Normandale Choir, Gregory Peterson, director
Accompanist: Lorna Wolthoff

Acolyte: Lainey Shea
Lector: Norm Teigen
Greeters: Mel Henry, David Myhre
Sacristan: Edel Henningsen
Ushers: Elenkiwich Team