

Normandale
Lutheran
Church



Edina, Minnesota

Nineteenth Sunday

after

Pentecost

September 29, 2024 | 9:30 am

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

Gathering Music

Children of the Heavenly Father
Every Time I Feel the Spirit

arr. Cathy Moglebust
African-American Spiritual
arr. Susan T. Nelson

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

Come Down, O Love Divine

ELW 804

*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**

Generous God, In all things, you work in this world for good! Help us listen deeply to you, for you are calling us to changes of heart and to specific action. Help us listen deeply to one another, because our collective needs and hurts require witness as well as care. And turn us back to your goodness in all things - both in our weakness and in our praise - because your love and truth still heal us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

First Reading

James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19:7-14

The teaching of the Lord is perfect and re- | vives the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom | to the simple.

**The statutes of the Lord are just and re- | jice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light | to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is clean and en- | dures forever;
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous | altogether.

**More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.**

By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is | great reward.

**Who can detect one's | own offenses?
Cleanse me from my | secret faults.**

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion | over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a | great offense.

**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable | in your sight,
O Lord, my strength and | my redeemer.**

Second Reading

Romans 8:28

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rose McGee and Kate Towle
Co-Founders of Sweet Potato Comfort Pie

***Hymn of the Day**

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

ELW 719

Thanks for your Generosity

*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

There Is a Balm in Gilead

Arr. William L. Dawson

*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.*

*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

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

ELW 631

*Blessing and Sending

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

Sending Music

*Hyfrydol from Three Preludes
founded on Welsh Hymns*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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.

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.

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 | 10:40-11:30am | 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:	Rose McGee and Kate Towle
Liturgist:	Pastor Rebecca Gamble
Organist:	Gregory Peterson
Cantor:	Sherry Schroeder
Choir:	Normandale Choir, Gregory Peterson, director
Accompanist:	Lorna Wolthoff
Instrumental:	Handbells, Lorna Wolthoff, director
Lector:	Ann Kinney
Greeters:	Dave Myhre, Norman & Judy Teigen
Ushers:	Elenkiwich Team