Normandale Lutheran Church



Twenty-fifth Sunday



November 10, 2024 | 9:30 am

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

Gathering Music

For the Fruit of All Creation Song of Peace

Arr. David Cherwien Jean Langlais

Words of Welcome

Call to WorshipCome, Bring Your Burdens to GodSouth African Text and Melody*Processional HymnFor the Fruit of All CreationELW 679

*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.**

Reception of New Members

Mary Ann Johnson Mark, Jessica, Grant and Adame Desjardins Doug and Susan Hopfner Larry Peltier and Sarah Hutto Payton, Alex and Raelyn Jones Brad Judamann Tom, Kristin, Ayla and Duncan Kluis Diana J. Leland Scott and Kelley Olson Roy, Ellen and Della Pienaar David, Amanda, Torsten and Violet Simons

*Prayer of the Day

God of community, you are God of all. You are God of widows and strangers, protecting the oppressed and forgotten, and feeding the hungry with good things. Give us open hearts and minds to respond to the world with love, caring for those for whom you care. Amen.

Reading

The word of the LORD came to [Elijah,] saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

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

Psalm 146

Hal- | lelujah! Praise the Lord, | O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long | as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being. Put not your | trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there | is no help. When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth, and in that day | their thoughts perish. Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help, whose hope is in the | Lord their God; who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in them; who keeps promis- | es forever; who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to | those who hunger. The Lord sets the | captive free. The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who | are bowed down; the Lord | loves the righteous. The Lord cares | for the stranger; the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way | of the wicked. The Lord shall | reign forever, vour God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah! ***Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? ELW Page 151

*Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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Sermon

Mark 12:38-44

Thanks for your Generosity

*Sharing of the Peace

Music at the Offering

On the Common Ground

Words and Music by Alice Parker

Inspired by the central green space found in many New England villages known as The Common. A place for respectively sharing concerns and debating differences. A place for all.

Help me, Lord, find the common ground between the high and the low, between the poor and the rich, between the old and the young, between the black and the white.

Help me find the common ground between the shouting and the silence, between the bound and the free, between the grief and the joy, between the heart and the mind.

Open us, Lord, guide us to that meeting place where we can see each other, hear each other, care for each other.

Where we can sing together,work together, play together on the common ground. Come, let us meet together on the common ground.

*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: Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

*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

Let Streams of Living Justice

ELW 710

*Blessing and Sending

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

Sending Music

Solemn Procession

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.

We are 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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Normandale Lutheran Youth

normluth.org

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

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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 1003rd Floor:Grades K, 1 & 2 - Multi Purpose Room N.
Grades 3 & 4 - Multi Purose Room S.

Not registered? Come anyway, all are welcome!

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preaching: Liturgist: Organist: Cantor: Choir: Director: Accompianist: Instrumental: Pastor Maria Pederson Pastors Rebecca Gamble & Hans Lee Gregory Peterson Mark Johns Normandale Choir Gregory Peterson Lorna Wolthoff Olivia Dierks, cello Acolyte: Crucifer: Lector: Greeters: Sacristan: Ushers: Duncan Kluis Duncan Kluis Kim Pinkham Chris & Carmen Eide, Dave Myhre Edel Henningsen Noble & Kleven Teams