

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 26, 2025 | 9:30 am

Congregational responses in **bold**

* Please stand as you are comfortable

Gathering Music

O God Beyond All Praising

arr. Lee J. Afdahl

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Humbly, I Adore Thee

arr. Donald Allured

*Welcome 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.

*Gathering Hymn

Bring Many Names

ACS 1094

*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

God Welcomes All (all sing three times)

ACS 978

*Prayer of the Day

God of abundance, Jesus your Beloved courageously preached good news to the poor, release to the captives, recovery of sight to the blind, and freedom from oppression. Guide us, as the body of Christ, the courage to reflect these promises as we encounter your people with mercy and acceptance, through the power of the Holy Spirit who binds us together as one. Amen.

Pre-School Faith Marker

Bible Blessing

Maddox Brula, Charlotte Crouse, Kallen Hall, August Harrington, Sam Herring, Alice Hollins, Raelynn Jones, Elise McFarlane, Jackson Milne, Sebastian Plank, Charlie Potter, Jack Potter Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

The heavens declare the glo- I ry of God,

and the sky proclaims its | maker's handiwork.

One day tells its tale | to another,

and one night imparts knowledge | to another.

Although they have no | words or language,

and their voices | are not heard,

their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends | of the world, where God has pitched a tent | for the sun.

It comes forth like a bridegroom out | of his chamber;

it rejoices like a champion to | run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of | it again; nothing is hidden from its | burning heat.

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- | joice 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 I 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.

***Gospel** Luke 4:14-21

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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Thanks be to God.

Sermon Pastor Hans Lee

*Hymn of the Day

Oh. Praise the Gracious Power

ELW 651

(Stanzas 1 and 2 - all, 3 - treble voices, 4 - bass voices, 5, 6, 7 - all)

Thanks for your Generosity

Normandale Preschool & Blessing Place Kari Warnke, Director

*Sharing of the Peace

Music at the Offering

Goliath

Williams / 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.

*Prayers of the People

Congregational response following each prayer petition:

Lord in your mercy,

hear 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

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

ELW 551

*Blessing and Sending

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

Sending Music Pasticcio Jean Langlais

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.



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SUNDAY AT NORMANDALE

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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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Kids

Our **Prayground** is at the front of the sanctuary 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.

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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 - Multi Purpose Room S.

Not registered? Come anyway, all are welcome!

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preaching:
Liturgist:
Organist:
Cantor:
Pastor Hans Lee
Pastor Maria Pederson
Gregory Peterson
Alex Ouska

Choir: Children's Choir, Lily Askegaard, director

Accompianist: Angela Anderson
Goliath: Ryan Petz
David: Hadley Petz

Instrumental: Normandale Bells, Lorna Wolthoff, director

Lector: Marilyn Kemme

Greeters: Brad & Susie Baker, Dave Myhre

Sacristan: Edel Henningsen Ushers: Chin Team