



**NORMANDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**July 8, 2018**

**Pentecost Seven**

**9:30am**

# WELCOME TO NORMANDALE



## WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

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 a place of welcome, a place of worship, a place for you. We'd love to help you find your way here at Normandale! Please sign the "Connect" pad in the pew so we can reach out to you!

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# SUNDAY AT NORMANDALE

**NURSERY CARE** is available every Sunday morning from 8:45 to 10:45am for children between the ages of 6 months– 4 years. The Nursery is located on the main level, down the hallway on the north end of the building. Please use this opportunity for your children to meet some new friends at Normandale!

**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL** are given by Carol Nelson Connolly & Family in memory of Anna Nelson, long-time member of Normandale.

**JOIN US FOR COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP** in the Fireside Room.

**\*Those who are able, please stand.**

# WORSHIP WITH US

## PRELUDE

Improvisations on Today's Hymns

On many Sundays throughout the summer, prelude music will be improvisations on some of the hymns we will sing. Many people tell me that they enjoy improvisational "hints" about the spirit of the hymns they will sing as they quietly prepare hearts and minds for worship. Also, improvisation is a practiced discipline - not magic! The less pressured summertime allows for that thoughtful prep time away from the organ figuring out ways to reflect in music the themes and flavor of the hymn text and tune.

## WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word* (ELW 517) Hans Friedrich Michaelsen

# GATHERING

## \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.  
**Amen.**

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*Silence for reflection.*

Eternal God our creator, **in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God forgives you all your sins. **Amen.**

## \*ENTRANCE HYMN

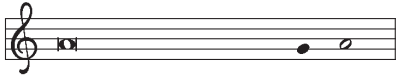
*Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

No. 517

## \*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

\*KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



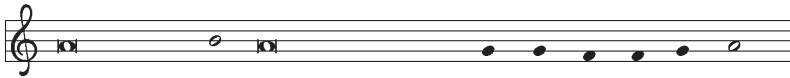
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## WORD

## FIRST READING

Ezekiel 2:1-5

[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 30 (sung responsively with cantor – congregational responses in **bold**)

To you I lift | up my eyes,  
to you enthroned | in the heavens.

**As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand | of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show | us your mercy.**

Have mercy upon us, O | LORD, have mercy,  
for we have had more than enough | of contempt,  
**too much of the scorn of the in- | dolent rich,  
and of the derision | of the proud.**

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter,  
SPOKEN RESPONSE: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

\*GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-13

[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

(Gospel continued on page 5)

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The gospel of the Lord. SPOKEN RESPONSE: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON "Take Nothing"

SILENCE

HYMN *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* No. 742

\*SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

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MUSIC AT THE OFFERING *For Every Child* *Everett, Marty Haugen*

For ev'ry child, a gift of God from birth, we hold in trust a world of sacred space.  
Will there be peace and beauty on the earth, a planet healed and held in gentle grace?

If we dare hope for justice when we pray, we must not fail to match our words with deeds.  
For when we act to bring a brighter day our withered dreams will grow like flow'ring seeds.

This is our call: to live what we believe and tend this earth, the only home we know.  
And by God's grace our children will receive a world revived, a greener place to grow.

Adam M. L. Tice

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Doxology*



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures here be-low; Praise  
God a-bove ye heav'-nly host; Praise Fath-er, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men!

# SENDING

\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

\*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.**

\*BLESSING



\*SENDING HYMN

*Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises*

No. 535

DISMISSAL

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

*Prelude and Fugue in B flat*

J. S. Bach

# WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHING . . . . . Pastor Dale Howard  
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ACOLYTES . . . . . Annika Kilberg, Sophie Klein  
CANTOR . . . . . Grant Wothe  
LECTOR . . . . . Marilyn Kemme  
USHERS . . . . . Sannerud & Tungesvick Teams  
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