

Northland Lutheran Church LCMC

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Sunday, December 29, 2024

Purpose Statement: "To worship God, spread His Word, witness for Christ, welcome all, serve them and grow the community of believers through the power of the Holy Spirit."

TODAY AT WORSHIP

Projector: Kevin Dahle
NO Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship

Wednesday, January 1, 2025
No Confirmation

Thursday, January 2, 2025
AA Meeting 7:00 PM.

NEXT SUNDAY, January 5
Projector: Craig Anderson
9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship

Saturday January 4th, 2025
Take down Christmas decorations
9:00 am
All are asked to help

**We need volunteers to assist Pastor
with Scripture reading. Sign up sheet is
in the Narthex**



January 14, 2025
Annual Meeting reports Due

January 19, 2025
Annual Meeting
**Please plan on staying. We need to
have a Quorum to vote on items.**

CONTACT THE OFFICE

For Information regarding church rental, weddings, baptisms, membership or to have an announcement put in the newsletter or bulletin please contact the office at 715-445-2956 or northlandchurch@hotmail.com. You can contact Pastor William Stukenberg @ 262-441-0513 Parish Secretary Dianne E. at 715-677-4683 or Pam D. at 715-412-0136

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Opening Hymn

Trust and Obey

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Call to Worship ...Taken from Psalm 90

Pastor: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

People: Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Pastor: A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by,

People: Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Pastor: Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

People: May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; Establish the work of our hands for us—yes, establish the work of our hands.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Hymn of Praise

Here I am to Worship

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 43:16-21

This is what the LORD says—
He who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise

again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. The wild animals honor me, the Jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:^[a] The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹ God made him who had no sin to be sin^[b] for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Gospel

Luke 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short, he

could not see over the crowd. So, he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.” So, he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. All the people saw this and began to mutter, “He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.” But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord! Here and now, I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.” Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

Hymn

How deep the Father’s Love for Us

Message

Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian

Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

OFFERING OFFERTORY

Prayers for the church

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For strong hearts set on the certain grace of God, that we would sing His praises boldly and so bring His Holy Word to dwell richly within us, now and to all generations, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Lord’s blessing on the whole Church on earth, that Christ’s people may set their hearts and minds on the things above and, in love, be clothed with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our families, that they would be harmonious in God’s love and ruled by Christ’s peace; that the Word of Christ would dwell richly among us; that fathers and heads of the household would teach and admonish their families in all wisdom; and that our songs, words and deeds would be done in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, with thanksgiving, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who await the second coming of our Savior, that our gracious Father would give us patience to endure in our vocations and do the good works prepared in advance for us to do, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those suffering wounds of body and soul,
[especially_____]
that our gracious Father would heal them according to His will and sustain them unto the day of the resurrection of all flesh, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

All these things we pray, O Lord, in confidence of Your mercy, trusting that You will grant us all things needful and prevent all things harmful to our faith, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

People: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN

BENEDICTION

Closing Hymn

Great is the Lord

His Love....Reaching

Right from the beginning God's love has reached, and from the beginning man has refused to understand. But love went on reaching, offering itself. Love offered the eternal...we wanted the immediate. Love offered deep joy...we wanted thrills. Love offered freedom...we wanted license. Love offered communion with God himself...we wanted to worship at the shrine of our own minds. Love offered peace...we wanted approval for our wars. Even yet, love went on reaching. And still today, after two thousand years, patiently, lovingly, Christ is reaching out to us today. Right through the chaos of our world, through the confusion of our minds. He is reaching...longing to share with us...the very being of God.

Gloria Gaither