



NORTHSIDE CHURCH
A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

Micah 6:8
Love Mercy

February 23, 2025



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

There is a place for you at Northside Church to know the love of God, to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ, and to go into the world to serve others.

† Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol, and join in singing or reading aloud text in **bold**.

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE PRELUDE | How Great Thou Art | *arr. Duane Funderburk*

String Quartet & Piano

THE WELCOME

Rev. Angela House

THE CHORAL INTROIT | Let Heavenly Music Fill This Place | *Gordon Young*

Chancel Choir

Let heavenly music fill this place and all the harmonies of heaven be heard;
Let one grand song of praise resound, one alleluia! One Alleluia!

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. House

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: God calls us to love mercy and show compassion.

People: **We come to reflect God's loving-kindness in our lives.**

Pastor: Let us worship the One who is merciful and gracious.

People: **Let us honor God with our hearts and hands. Praise be to God. Amen.**

† THE HYMN OF ADORATION | Hymn 140: all stanzas | Great Is Thy Faithfulness

† THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Apostles' Creed

Mr. Nathan Schreer

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, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

† THE GLORIA PATRI | Hymn 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

† THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. House

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Rev. Douglas Herlong

8:30AM | *Reese Elizabeth*

11:15AM | *Elizabeth Woods*

**With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ,
that [name], surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith,
and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.**

THE BAPTISM RESPONSE | Hymn 611: stanza 1 | Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

**Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign.
With this water God has sealed you, unto love and grace divine.**

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT | 11:15AM

Ms. Lauren Norton

We invite all children to come forward for a message from Ms. Lauren Norton.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. House

**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. Amen.**

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION | Hymn 393 | Spirit of the Living God

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

THE SCRIPTURE | Micah 6:8 | Pew Bible, pg. 1332

Rev. Herlong

Pastor:

People: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON | "Micah 6:8: Love Mercy"

Rev. Herlong

† THE HYMN OF RESPONSE | Hymn 400: all stanzas | Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Rev. House

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THE OFFERTORY | The Offering | *Craig Courtney*

Chancel Choir
& String Quartet

With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before the God on high?
Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, with yearling calves?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil?
Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgressions, with what shall I come before the Lord?
Shall I offer the fruit of my body, for the sin of my soul?

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.

And what does the Lord require of you?

To do justice, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Amen.

† THE DOXOLOGY | Hymn 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS | 11:15AM

Rev. Herlong

† THE BENEDICTION

8:30AM | Rev. House
11:15AM | Rev. Herlong

† THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | Hymn 395: stanza 1 | Take Time to Be Holy

**Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;
abide in him always, and feed on his word.
Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak,
forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek.**

THE POSTLUDE | Hornpipe from Watermusic | *G.F. Handel*

String Quartet & Organ

String Quartet

Adelaide Federici & Alison James, *violin*
Cindy Beard, *viola*
Sarah Kapps, *cello*

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God:

In loving memory of Andrew Joseph Drinkard by Jim, Maria, Jenny, Jen, and Sam Drinkard.

CLERGY

Dr. Bill Burch, *Senior Pastor* • Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Douglas Herlong, *Associate Pastor* • Rev. Angela House, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Sara Maughan, *Pastor of Children's Ministry*

AFFILIATED CLERGY

Dr. G. Gil Watson, *Pastor Emeritus* • Dr. Ann Brightwell McCord, *Retired*

TRADITIONAL MUSIC MINISTRY

Joshua McClure, *Director of Worship & Organist* • Nathan Schreer, *Director of Music*