



# NORTHSIDE CHURCH

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

*I AM:*  
*I Am the Light of the World*

March 8, 2026



# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

*The Third Sunday in Lent*

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

8:30AM | I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light | *arr. Paul Manz*

Joshua McClure, organ

11:15AM | Fairest Lord Jesus | *Venita MacGorman*

Children's Bells;  
Tiffany Uzoije, director;

### THE WELCOME

8:30AM | Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson

11:15AM | Nancy Jeanne Chadwick  
& Corrine Spears

### THE INTROIT | I Have the Joy | George W. Cooke; arr. Elaine Kirkpatrick | 11:15AM

Cherub Choir; Liana Perlman  
& Alex Thompson, directors;  
Susan Schreer Davis, piano

I have the joy down in my heart.

*Refrain:* And I'm so happy, so very happy,

I have the love of Jesus in my heart.

I have the peace of Jesus down in my heart. *Refrain.*

I have the love of Jesus. *Refrain.*

### † THE CALL TO WORSHIP

8:30AM | Rev. Boothe Olson

11:15AM | Ansley Warren

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Jesus is the light of the world.

People: **We come to shine Christ's light.**

Leader: His light guides us through every day.

People: **We rejoice in Jesus, who fills our hearts with joy and hope.**

Leader: Let us lift our voices to worship Jesus, our King, the light that shines forever.

People: **Praise be to God. Amen.**

### † THE HYMN OF ADORATION | #206: all stanzas | I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

### † THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Apostles' Creed

8:30AM | Nathan Schreer

11:15AM | Annie Layman

**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. Boothe Olson

THE CHILDREN'S OFFERING OF PRAISE | The Giving Song | *Joseph & Pamela Martin* | 11:15AM

K-2nd Choir;

Here are my hands, Lord, I give you praise.  
Teach them to serve you for all my days.  
Help them to stay both faithful and true.  
Here are my hands, Lord, I give them to you.

Ellen LeSaicherre, director;  
Susan Schreer Davis, piano

Here are my ears, Lord...

Here are my eyes, Lord...

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT | 11:15AM

Mary Ann, Mary June  
& Murphy Quintrell

*We invite all children to come to the chancel steps for a special message.*

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

8:30AM | Rev. Boothe Olson

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11:15AM | Flora White

THE OFFERTORY

8:30AM | My Jesus, I Love Thee | *arr. Dan Forrest*

Alex Thompson, soloist

My Jesus, I Love Thee, I know Thou art mine.  
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.  
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou,  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.  
  
I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,  
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;  
And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow,  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory, and endless delight,  
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright.  
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

*-William Featherston, 1864*

11:15AM | Shine, Jesus, Shine | *setting by Jack Schrader*

3rd-5th Choir;

Lord, the light of your love is shining  
In the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us:  
Shine on me, shine on me.

Hattie Burnette, soloist

*Refrain:* Shine, Jesus, shine fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,  
From the shadows into your radiance;  
By the blood I may enter your brightness,  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us,  
Shine on me, shine on me. *Refrain.*

–Graham Kendrick

† 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

8:30AM | Spoken

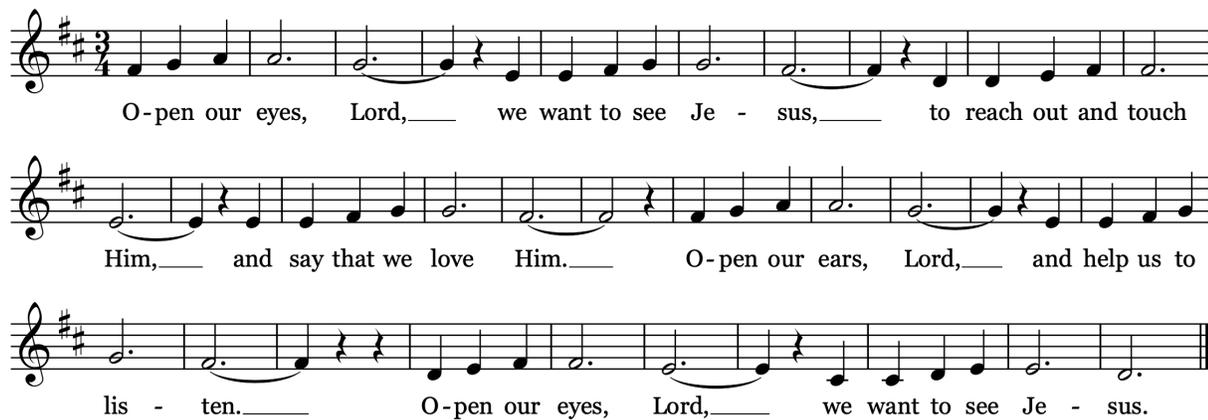
Rev. Boothe Olson

**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.**

11:15AM | Led by 3rd–5th Choir | *arr. Robin Stevenson*

Grant Geier; 3rd–5th Choir;  
Fisher Vincent, Flora White  
& Cece Freedman, soloists

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION | Open Our Eyes, Lord



O-pen our eyes, Lord, we want to see Je - sus, to reach out and touch  
Him, and say that we love Him. O-pen our ears, Lord, and help us to  
lis - ten. O-pen our eyes, Lord, we want to see Je - sus.

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† THE SCRIPTURE | John 8:12 | Pew Bible, pg. 1523

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

8:30AM | Dr. Bill Burch

11:15AM | Lilly Uzoije

THE SERMON | “I AM: I Am the Light of the World”

Dr. Burch

† THE HYMN OF RESPONSE | This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,  
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,  
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

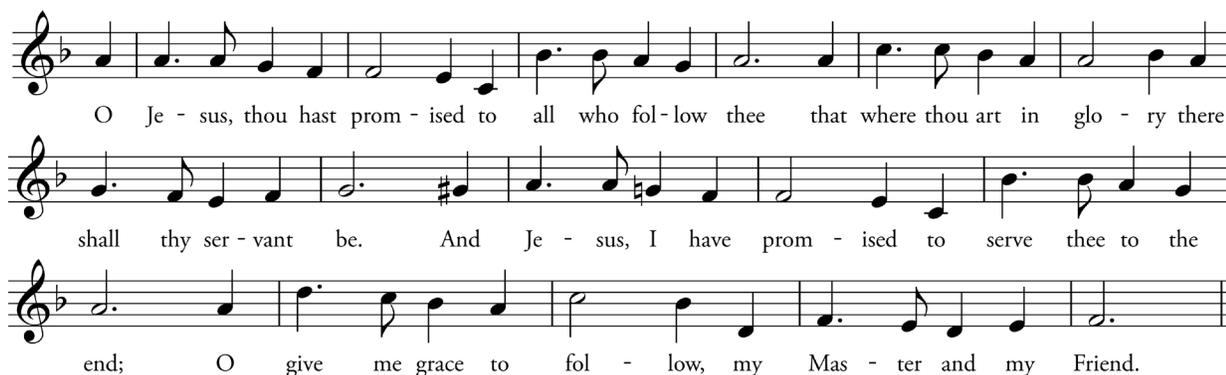
All around the world, I'm gonna let it shine,  
All around the world, I'm gonna let it shine,  
All around the world, I'm gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

† THE BENEDICTION

8:30AM | Rev. Boothe Olson

11:15AM | Dr. Burch

† THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | #396: stanza 4 | O Jesus, I Have Promised



O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee that where thou art in glo - ry there  
shall thy ser - vant be. And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the  
end; O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my Friend.

THE POSTLUDE | Jesus Loves Me | *Jason D. Payne*

Joshua McClure, organ

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*Thank You to the Children's Ministry Team*

Nancy Jeanne Chadwick, *Director*  
Mary Bingham, *Associate*  
Rheannon Stegall, *Associate*  
Gaby Obregon, *Administrative Coordinator*

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# Homecoming

## WORSHIP & LUNCH

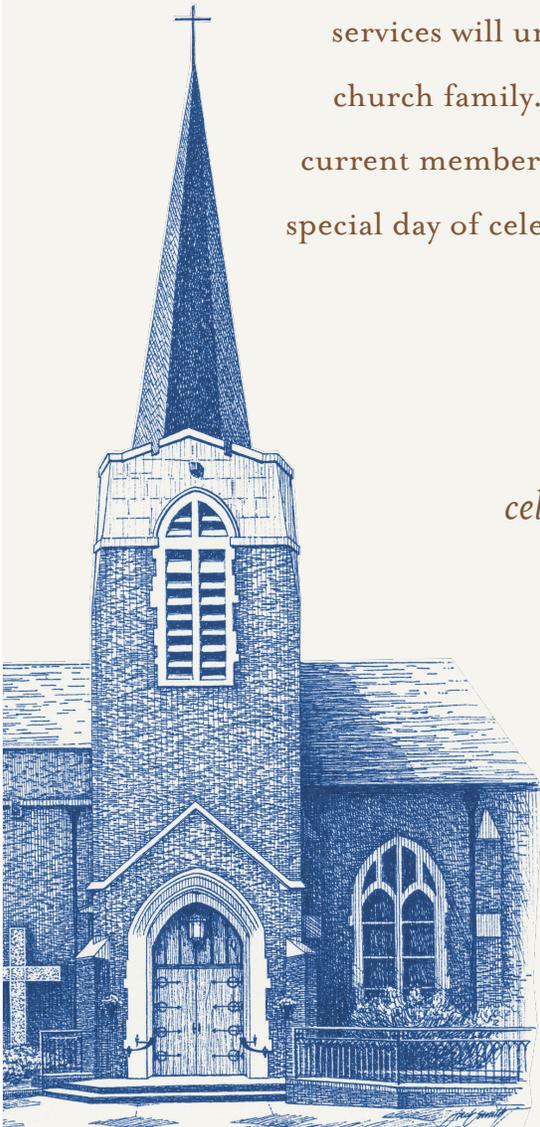
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10:00AM • Worship • Sanctuary

Lunch to Follow

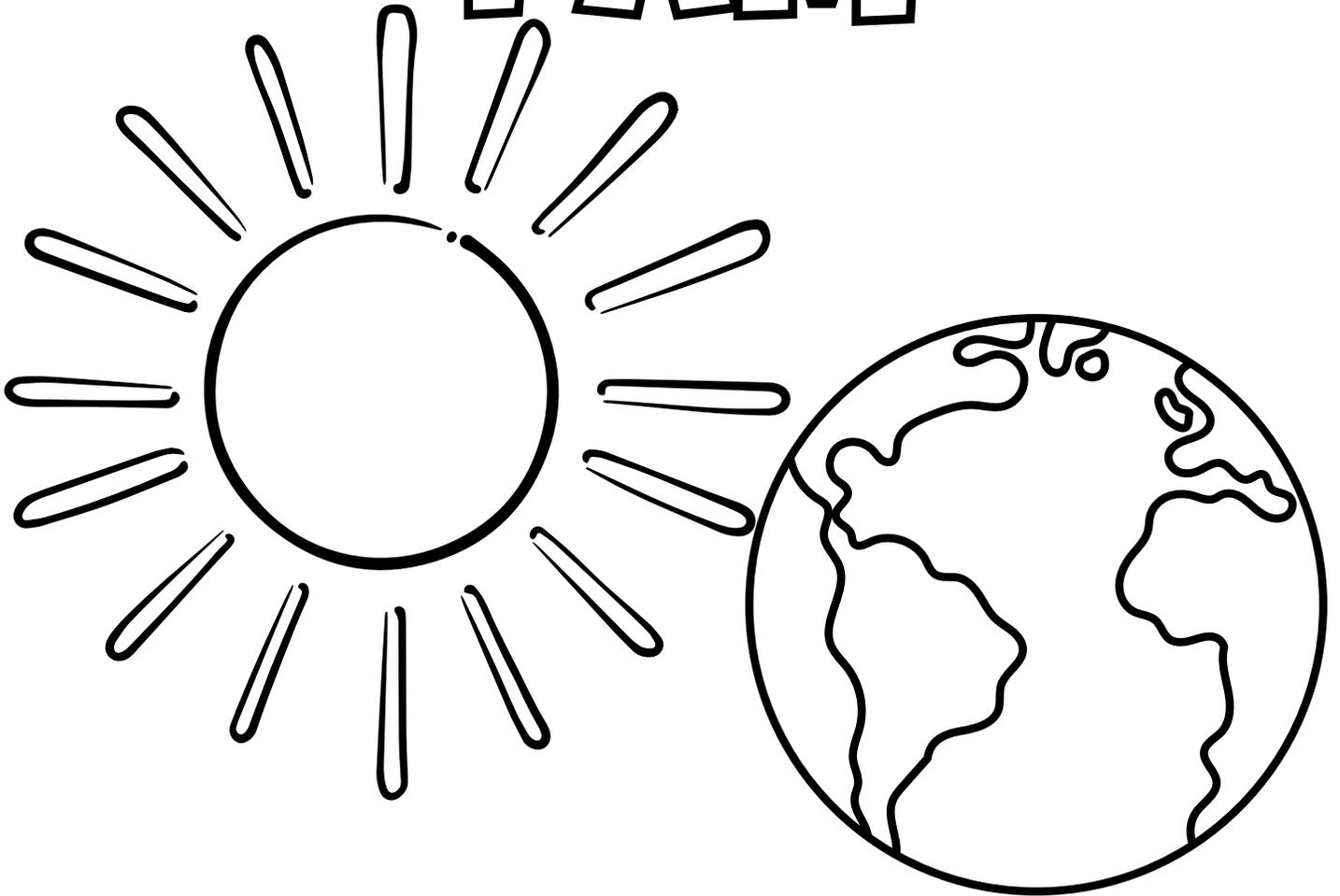
Come celebrate Northside's 75th Anniversary season! All three services will unite, blending music and styles from across our church family. Alumni of the Youth Choir are invited to join current members for a special Homecoming Youth Choir for this special day of celebration. Following worship, stay for lunch and an old-fashioned hymn sing.

*Come worship, fellowship, and  
celebrate God's faithfulness together!*



JESUS SAID

I AM



THE LIGHT OF THE  
WORLD

**JOHN 8:12**

**CLERGY**

Dr. Bill Burch, *Senior Pastor* • Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson, *Associate Pastor*  
Rev. Angela House, *Associate Pastor*

**AFFILIATED CLERGY**

Dr. G. Gil Watson, *Pastor Emeritus* • Dr. Ann Brightwell McCord, *Retired*  
Rev. Nancy Yarnell, *Retired* • Rev. Douglas Herlong • Rev. Jennifer Hansen

**TRADITIONAL MUSIC MINISTRY**

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