



NORTHSIDE CHURCH

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

Nic at Night

March 23, 2025



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 | Blessed Assurance | *Matthew H. Corl*

Mr. Joshua McClure

THE WELCOME

8:30AM | Rev. Angela House
11:15AM | Rev. Sara Maughan & Ansley Warren

THE INTROIT | The Bible Is God's Holy Word | 11:15AM

Cherub Choir;
Ms. Natalie Rogers
& Ms. Liana Perlman, directors

The Bible is God's Holy Word.
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It tells us things that we should do.

Be kind to others, tell the truth.
The Bible is God's Holy Word.
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Obey your parents, help them, too.
The Bible is God's Holy Word.
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† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

8:30AM | Rev. House
11:15AM | Lindley Austin

Reader: For God so loved the world,
People: **from the birds to the mountains, to the seas to the stars.**
Reader: For God so loved the world,
People: **on good days and bad days, on sick days and well days.**
Reader: For God so loved the world,
People: **enough to become one of us and offer new life to us.**
Reader: For God so loved the world
People: **that we gather together to worship God. Amen.**

† THE HYMN OF ADORATION | Hymn 369: all stanzas | Blessed Assurance

† THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Apostles' Creed

8:30AM | Rev. House
11:15AM | Lilly Uzoije

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 CHILDREN'S OFFERING OF PRAISE | Grow In Me | *Allen Pote* | 11:15AM

K-5th Choir;
Ms. Ellen LeSaicherre
& Mr. Nathan Schreer, directors

God's word is like a seed that hides inside the earth,
where only eyes of faith can see its worth.
Yet even when we sleep, the tiny seed that dies
will rise to greater life and touch the skies.

Refrain:

Grow, grow, secretly. Word of God grow in me.
Grow, grow till by your love, I am what I should be.

Small limbs that taste the sun, may some day tower high
And shelter in their arms all things that fly.
So may we also grow, till reaching out with grace,
Through us you hold the world in your embrace. *Refrain*

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT | 11:15AM

Rev. Sara Maughan
with Judi Claire Boyd

We invite all children to come forward for a message from Rev. Sara.

THE MINISTRY MOMENT | Sponsor a Child at Camp Evergreen

8:30AM | Madison Taylor
11:15AM | Beau Sipe

THE CALL TO PRAYER | Hear Our Prayer, O Lord | *Floice R. Lund*

Chancel Choir

Hear our prayer, O Lord,
Who knows the secrets of our hearts.
We listen for Thy word.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

8:30AM | Rev. House
11:15AM | Annie Layman

**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.**

THE CHORAL AMEN | *Marianne Forman*

Chancel Choir

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION | Hymn 526: stanza 1 | What a Friend We Have in Jesus

**What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.**

† THE SCRIPTURE | John 3:1-3, 16 | Pew Bible, pg. 1512

8:30AM | Dr. Bill Burch
11:15AM | Virginia Smith

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

THE SERMON | "Nic at Night"

Dr. Burch

† THE HYMN OF RESPONSE | Hymn 420: all stanzas | Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Children's Bells;
Ms. Natalie Rogers, director

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

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8:30AM | Rev. House
11:15AM | Briggs Smith

THE OFFERTORY | God So Loved the World | *John Carter*

Chancel Choir

God so loved the world that He gave His only Son
that whosoever believes in Him should not perish,
but have eternal life.

God did not send His Son to condemn a sinful world,
but to save the world through Him.

God so loved the world.

—Based on John 3:16–17

† 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. Douglas Herlong

† THE BENEDICTION

8:30AM | Rev. House
11:15AM | Dr. Burch

† THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | Hymn 117: stanza 6 | O God, Our Help in Ages Past

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come;
be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.**

THE POSTLUDE | O God, Our Help in Ages Past | *arr. Ovid Young*

Mr. McClure

Thank you to the Children's Ministry Team:

Nancy Jeanne Chadwick, *Associate Director* • Lauren Norton, *Associate* • Gaby Obregon, *Administrative Assistant*

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

In loving memory of Darby and Athalia Coker, Darby Coker Jr.,
and Everette and Noble Bolinger by Stanley and Jane Coker.

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*
Rev. Nancy Yarnell, *Retired*

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