



NORTHSIDE CHURCH

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

God's Word Unites Us

May 5, 2024



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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 Firm a Foundation | *arr. Peter Hilliard*

Mrs. Susan Schreer Davis, flute

THE WELCOME

8:30AM | Dr. Jeff Rogers
11:15AM | Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson

THE CHORAL INTROIT | All That Hath Life and Breath | *Rene Clausen*

Chancel Choir

All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord,
Shout to the Lord, Alleluia!
Praise Him, laud Him, Alleluia!

—Based on Psalm 150:6

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

8:30AM | Dr. Rogers
11:15AM | Rev. Boothe Olson

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Pastor: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him.
People: **We respond by repenting of our sin.**
Pastor: Let us hear the good news.
People: **Christ is Lord, now and forever. Praise be to God. Amen.**

† THE HYMN OF ADORATION | Hymn 529: all stanzas | How Firm a Foundation

† THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Apostles' Creed

Mr. Michael J. Devine

**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 SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM | 8:30AM

Dr. Bill Burch

Evelyn Jane

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | 8:30AM

Dr. Rogers

**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 | Child of Blessing | 8:30AM

**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 CONFIRMATION | 11:15AM

Dr. Burch

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS | 11:15AM

Dr. Burch

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT | 11:15AM

Dr. Rogers

We invite all children to come to the chancel steps for a message from Dr. Jeff.

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

8:30AM | Dr. Rogers

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11:15AM | Rev. Boothe Olson

THE OFFERTORY | Let This Mind Be in You | *Craig Courtney*

Chancel Choir

Let this mind be in you, let this mind be in you,
which was in Lord Jesus Christ:

Who, being in the form of God,
thought it not robbery to be equal with God.
But made Himself of no reputation,
And took upon Him the form of a servant,
And was made in human likeness:
And being found in human fashion,
He humbled himself, became obedient unto death,
Even the death of the cross.
Wherefore God has raised Him up,
And given Him a name above all names:
That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
Whether in heaven or earth or under the earth;
That every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
To the glory of God.

-Text taken from Philippians 2

† 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. Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND PARDON

8:30AM | Dr. Rogers
11:15AM | Rev. Boothe Olson

Pastor: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.
People: **Merciful God,**
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Congregation: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

People: **Glory to God. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

8:30AM | Dr. Rogers
11:15AM | 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. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE | 1 Peter 1:22–25

Rev. Douglas Herlong

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

THE SERMON | "God's Word Unites Us"

Rev. Herlong

THE INSTRUCTIONS TO HOLY COMMUNION

8:30AM | Dr. Rogers
11:15AM | Rev. Boothe Olson

Today, we celebrate Communion. When directed, walk down the center aisle to receive the elements. We will serve by intinction, which means you will be handed bread and dip it in juice. You are then invited to pray at the altar rail or at your seat. If you are not able to come forward, please let a Sunday Servant know so that the elements may be brought to you.

The Communion table is open to all. There is also a gluten-free option available. Any money that is left on the altar rail during communion will go to people experiencing financial need.

The Lord's Supper is a holy meal of bread and juice that symbolizes the body and blood of Christ. By sharing this meal, we give thanks for Jesus' sacrifice for our sins, we recall the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, and we celebrate the unity of all the members of God's family.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

People:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might. Heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Pastor: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: On the night in which he gave himself up for us,
Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,
gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body
which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People:  Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

THE PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Pastor: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
 and on these gifts of bread and wine.
 Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
 that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
 redeemed by his blood.
 By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
 one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
 until Christ comes in final victory,
 and we feast at his heavenly banquet.
 Through your Son Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,
 all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND SHARING OF THE CUP

Rev. Herlong

THE COMMUNION MUSIC | Lamb of God

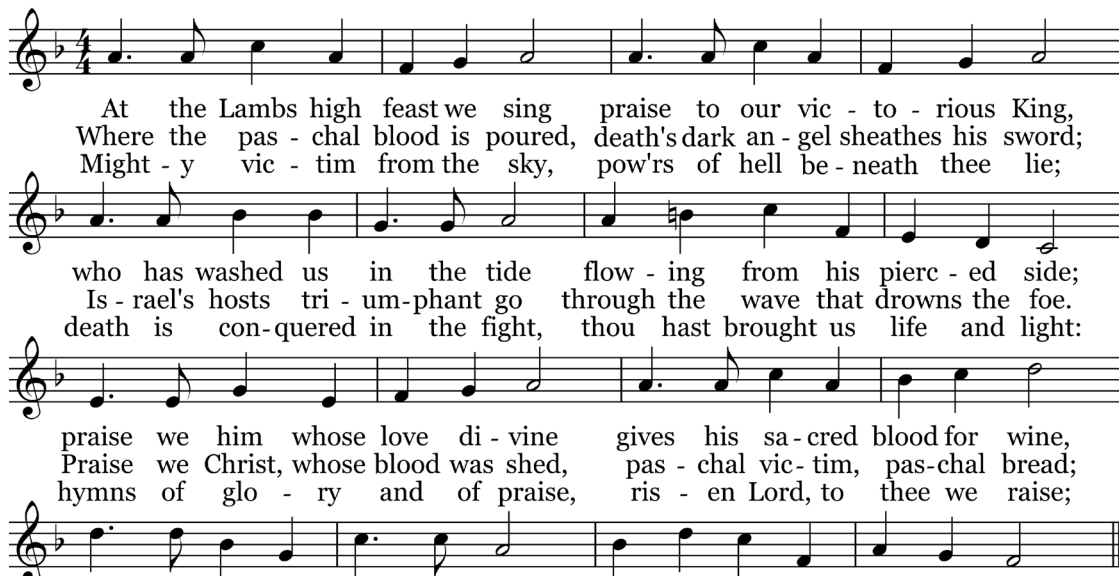
Chancel Choir

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
 Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION INSTRUMENTAL | Give Me Jesus | *arr. Edwin T. Childs*

Mrs. Davis

† THE COMMUNION HYMN | At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic - to - rious King,
 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;
 Might - y vic - tim from the sky, pow'rs of hell be - neath thee lie;
 who has washed us in the tide flow - ing from his pierc - ed side;
 Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
 death is con - quered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light:
 praise we him whose love di - vine gives his sa - cred blood for wine,
 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal vic - tim, pas - chal bread;
 hymns of glo - ry and of praise, ris - en Lord, to thee we raise;
 gives his bod - y for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
 with sin - cer - i - ty and love eat we man - na from a - bove.
 ho - ly Fa - ther, praise to thee, with the Spir - it, ev - er be.

Words: 6th century Latin Hymn, tr. Robert Campbell
 Music: ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR, George J. Elvey

† THE BENEDICTION

Rev. Herlong

† THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | Hymn 672: stanza 1 | God Be with You till We Meet Again

**God be with you till we meet again;
by his counsels guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

THE POSTLUDE | Postlude on “St. George’s Windsor” | arr. Jason D. Payne

Mr. Joshua McClure

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

In loving memory of her husband, Warren Young, and son, Mark G. Young, given by Nona Young.

CLERGY

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

Michael J. Devine, *Director of Music Ministry* • Joshua McClure, *Associate Director of Music & Organist*
Nathan Schreer, *Assistant Director of Music*