



NORTHSIDE CHURCH
A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

*Genesis, Rated M for Mature:
Cain & Abel*

July 6, 2025



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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 | Eternal Father, Strong to Save & God of Our Fathers | *arr. Nielson & Young*

Mrs. Susan Schreer Davis
& Mr. Joshua McClure

THE WELCOME

Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson

THE CHORAL INTROIT | O Mighty God to You Our Praise We Bring | *Don G. Fontana*

Chancel Choir

O mighty God to You our praise we bring.
O glorious King, to You, we joyfully sing.
Let Your light shine, shine, O Truth divine.

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

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,
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.
People: **Let us come humbly to praise and worship God
as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. 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. Boothe Olson

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

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

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Rev. Boothe Olson

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THE OFFERTORY | Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! | *arr. Peter J. Wilhousky*

Chancel Choir;

Ms. Lisa Morris, percussion
& Mrs. Davis, flute

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on.
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

He is coming like the glory of the morning's golden light,
He is Wisdom to the humble, He is Justice to the right,
So the world shall see His power, and the stars shall know His might,
His truth is marching on.
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me:
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
While God is marching on!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

Amen! Amen!

—Text by Julia Ward Howe.

*—Men's Ensemble: Austin Cripe, Daniel Grace, Ethan Godfrey,
Herman Ransay, Jim Drinkrd, and Kyle Hildebrand.*

† 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

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

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 HYMN OF PREPARATION | Hymn 144: stanza 1 | This Is My Father's World

**This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.**

THE SCRIPTURE | Genesis 4:1–8 | Pew Bible, pg. 5

Dr. Bill Burch

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

THE SERMON | “Genesis, Rated M for Mature: Cain & Abel”

Dr. Burch

THE INSTRUCTIONS TO HOLY COMMUNION

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 ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

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

THE COMMUNION MUSIC | Lamb of God

Chancel Choir

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world.

grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION MUSIC | In Remembrance | *Buryl Red*

Mrs. Davis, flute

† THE COMMUNION HYMN | Hymn 98: stanza 1 | To God Be the Glory

**To God be the glory, great things he hath done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!**

† THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | Hymn 144: stanza 3 | This Is My Father's World

**This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King; let the heavens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad!**

THE POSTLUDE | God of Our Fathers | *arr. Marilyn White*

Mrs. Davis & Mr. McClure

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

In honor of Northside United Methodist Church and Family. God Bless Everyone, and God Bless America.

CLERGY

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Rev. Nancy Yarnell, *Retired*

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