

Genesis, Rated M for Mature: The Tower of Babel

July 27, 2025



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Seventh 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 | Immortal, Invisible | arr. Marrianne Kim

Mr. Joshua McClure

THE WELCOME Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson

† The Call to Worship

Rev. Boothe Olson

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Pastor: We gather around God's altar from near and far.

People: We are the people of God.

Pastor: Though we differ in language, custom, and tradition,

People: we are siblings in Christ.
Pastor: We are one in God's Spirit,

People: for we are the people of redemption. Praise be to God. Amen.

† THE HYMN OF ADORATION | Hymn 103: all stanzas | Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

† 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

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS | 11:15AM

Dr. Bill Burch

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Dr. Burch

8:30AM | Elizabeth James 11:15AM | Brown Walker 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

Mrs. Nancy Jeanne Chadwick

We invite all children to come forward for a message.

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 11:1-9 | Pew Bible, pg. 13

Dr. 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: The Tower of Babel"

Dr. Burch

† The Hymn of Response | Hymn 548: all stanzas | In Christ There Is No East or West

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Rev. Boothe Olson

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THE OFFERTORY | Seekers of Your Heart | Melodie Tunney & Beverly Darnall

Ms. Tiffany Uzoije & Mr. Schreer

Until we give You first place, Until we let You begin to fill us with Your spirit, renew us from within, nothing matters, nothing's gained. Without Your holy presence, our lives are lived in vain.

Lord, we want to know You, live our lives to show You All the love we owe You. We're seekers of Your heart.

»Offertory continued on next page.

Because Your heart was broken, because You saw the need, because You gave so freely, because of Calvary, We can now be called Your own. Completed creations, filled with You alone.

Lord, we want to know You, live our lives to show You All the love we owe You. We're seekers of Your heart.

† 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 BENEDICTION

8:30am | Rev. Boothe Olson 11:15am | Dr. Burch

† 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 | Carillon | Gilbert Martin

Mr. McClure

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

In memory of Randy Quintrell, given by his family.

CLERGY

Dr. Bill Burch, Senior Pastor • Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson, 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

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