



NORTHSIDE CHURCH

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Tenth 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 | Fanfare-Dialogue on “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” | *arr. John Zundel*

Joshua McClure

THE WELCOME

Rev. Dana Ezell

THE CHORAL INTROIT | This Is the Day | *John L. Wilson*

Chancel Choir

This is the day that the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad!

—*Psalm 118:24*

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Ezell

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Each day is a new beginning, a precious gift from God.

People: **Let us use this day to worship the God who offers us grace through Jesus Christ.**

Pastor: Each day God gives us opportunities to make our mark and make a difference in the world.

People: **Let us use this day to show and share the transforming power of love.**

Pastor: As we gather in worship and around the Lord’s Table,

People: **may we also go into the world, known by our love for God and our neighbors.**

Praise be to God! Amen.

† THE HYMN OF ADORATION | #384: all stanzas | Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

† THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Apostles’ Creed

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. Ezell

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE CHILDREN’S MOMENT | 11:15AM

Nancy Jeanne Chadwick

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

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THE OFFERTORY | Let Your Light Shine | *Craig Courtney*

Chancel Choir

You are the light of the world,
You are the light of the world.

Let your light shine, before all people,
in all the earth, that they might see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

You are the salt of the earth,
but if salt loses its flavor it is good for nothing.
You are the light of the world,
A city built on a hill cannot be hidden.
A lamp cannot be covered, but shines for all to see.

Let your light shine, before all people,
in all the earth, that they might see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.
You are the light of the world.

—based on Matthew 5:13–16

† 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 CONFESSION AND PARDON

Rev. Ezell

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.**

**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 | #191: stanza 1 | Jesus Loves Me

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

† THE SCRIPTURE | John 13:34–35 | Pew Bible, pg. 1535

Dr. Bill Burch

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

THE SERMON | “School Supplies: Pencil & Paper”

Dr. Burch

THE INSTRUCTIONS TO HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Angela House

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 LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. House

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

Please join in singing “Lamb of God” as we prepare our hearts to receive Holy Communion.



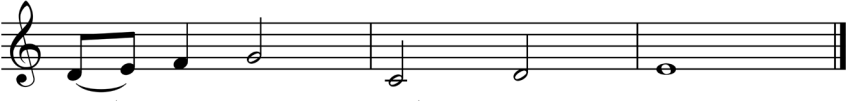
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



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 HYMN | #451: stanza 1 | Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

† THE BENEDICTION

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

† THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | #438: stanza 1 | Forth In Thy Name



Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, my dai - ly



la - bor to pur - sue; thee, on - ly thee, re -



solved to know in all I think or speak or do.

THE POSTLUDE | Carillon | *Gilbert Martin*

Joshua McClure

CLERGY

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

AFFILIATED CLERGY

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

TRADITIONAL MUSIC MINISTRY

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