



Easter Sunday
April 20, 2025

Welcome to Worship at Northside!

We believe there is a place for you at Northside to know the love of God, to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ, and to go into the world to serve others. We are so glad you are here!

If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to speak to one of our pastors following the service, or contact Rev. Douglas Herlong at DouglasH@NorthsideUMC.org. We seek to make Northside inclusive and accessible. For additional accommodations, please contact Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson at CatherineB@NorthsideUMC.org.

We understand and embrace the wonder and excitement children bring everywhere they go. For those moments when a changing table or feeding area is needed, there are accommodations on the Main Floor and in the nursery area on the First Floor. The services are streaming on screens in the Narthex and in the Chapel, if needed. Nursery care is also available for children 8 weeks to preschool age, if desired. Don't forget there are worship bags for children in the Narthex. Please ask one of our ushers or staff members, and we will be more than happy to assist you.

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

In loving memory of our cherished family members, C. Howard and Claire Candler, James W. and Rosemary Simmons, and Walker T. Candler Sr., given by Mary Jane Candler, Kit and David Trant, and Carolyn and Tol Candler.

The flowers on the memorial cross are given to the glory of God:

In memory of Betty and John Wallace, given by their children and grandchildren.

Let us know you're here!



Photography Notice

We love taking pictures of our church family! It's our way of highlighting and celebrating all the wonderful things God is doing in the life of Northside. If you have any concerns, please let us or the photographer know, and we will do our best to respect your privacy.

We upload all photos to our Flickr account for your viewing and download.
Visit [Flickr.com/NorthsideATL](https://www.flickr.com/photos/NorthsideATL/).

Easter Sunday

Dead Man Walking | 8:30, 9:45 & 11:15AM

† 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 | Because He Lives | *arr. Joel Raney*

Because he lives!
Because he lives I can face tomorrow;
Because he lives all fear is gone;
Because I know he holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because he lives.
Because he lives!

–Gloria & William J. Gaither

Chancel Choir,
Sanctuary Bells & Brass

THE WELCOME

Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Boothe Olson

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People: **Christ is risen, indeed!**
Pastor: We gather in the name of the one who is “the resurrection and the life.”
People: **Christ is risen! Alleluia!**
Pastor: We gather to share our faith, proclaim the Good News, and worship God.
People: **Christ is risen! Alleluia!**
Pastor: We gather to be transformed by love that is victorious over death.
People: **Christ is risen! Alleluia! Praise be to God. Amen.**

† THE HYMN OF ADORATION | Hymn 302: stanzas 1–4 | Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!
Love’s redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!
Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where’s thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!
Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

† THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Apostles’ Creed

Rev. Boothe Olson

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 MINISTRY OF MUSIC | Alleluia | *Paul Basler*

Chancel Choir

*“Alleluia” (or Hallelujah) is a Hebrew word meaning “Praise Yah” (or “Praise the Lord”),
combining “hallelu” (praise) and “Yah” (a shortened form of Yahweh, God’s name).
It’s especially associated with Easter as a joyful exclamation celebrating Jesus’ resurrection
and victory over death.*

THE CHILDREN’S MOMENT | 9:45 & 11:15AM

Rev. Sara Maughan

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

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 ANTHEM OF PREPARATION | I Am Not My Own | *Craig Courtney*

Chancel Choir & Brass

I am not my own. Not in body, not in soul, in life nor even death.
I am not my own. I belong unto my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.
I am not my own. His own blood has ransomed me, from evil set me free.
I am not my own.

For my salvation all things work together,
In eternal life He gives me hope.
By the power of His Holy Spirit, I will live for Him forevermore.

† THE SCRIPTURE | John 11:17–27

8:30 & 11:15AM | Dr. Bill Burch
9:45AM | Rev. Douglas Herlong

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

THE SERMON | “Dead Man Walking”

8:30 & 11:15AM | Dr. Burch
9:45AM | Rev. Herlong

THE GIVING OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Rev. Boothe Olson

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Alleluia! See what a morning, gloriously bright,
with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem.
Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,
as the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"
See God's salvation plan, wrought in love,
Borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man, for He lives:
Christ is risen from the dead!

Alleluia! See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?"
As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;
It's the Master, the Lord, raised to life again.
The voice that spans the years,
speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
Will sound 'til He appears, for He lives,
Christ is risen from the dead!

Alleluia! One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty,
Honor and blessing, glory and praise
to the King crowned with power and authority.
And we are raised with Him,
death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;
And we shall reign with Him, for He lives,
Christ is risen from the dead! Alleluia!

—Words by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

† THE DOXOLOGY | Hymn 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

† THE BENEDICTION

8:30AM | Rev. Boothe Olson
9:45AM | Rev. Herlong
11:15AM | Dr. Burch

† THE CHORAL BENEDICTION | "Hallelujah Chorus" from *Messiah* | *G. F. Handel*

Chancel Choir

Hallelujah, for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.
The kingdom of this world is become
The kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ;
And He shall reign forever and ever.
King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.
Hallelujah!

—Revelation 19:6; 11:15; 19:16

† THE POSTLUDE | Symphony V: V. Toccata | *Charles-Marie Widor*

Mr. Joshua McClure

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to know the love of God, to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ, and to go into the world to serve others.

SONG RELEASE FROM MATT JACKSON

Check our new music from Matt Jackson and Northside's Contemporary Worship band. They have an Easter song releasing today. You can find links for streaming on your favorite music platforms, or visit www.NorthsideUMC.org/holyweek.

WELLROOT BACKPACK COLLECTION

Northside's Mission Board is collecting school supplies for children at Wellroot, a foster agency that focuses on restoring children and families from trauma through showing the love of Jesus Christ. We encourage you to go shopping to fill a backpack! You can also provide a donation to cover the cost of one backpack. Our school supply drive is from May 18 through July 6. For the supply list and other instructions, visit www.NorthsideUMC.org/backpackwishlist.

MOTHER'S DAY PORTRAITS

Put on your Sunday best and come to the Wallace Garden on Mother's Day for this beloved Northside tradition. Our photographer will be here between 8:30AM and 12:30PM on Sunday, May 11. All are welcome to participate. These photos are a free gift from Northside to you. Files will be available for download after the event. For more information, email Elisabeth Shabi at ElisabethS@NorthsideUMC.org.

STUDENTS' END OF YEAR BASH

Join us for our End of Year Bash on Sunday, May 18, 5:30–7:30PM! This is a very special night as we will be celebrating Baker's incredible leadership and investment in student ministries over the past three years. There will be food, games, and fellowship. It is open to all 6th–12th grade students. Don't miss this chance to kick off the summer and celebrate Baker as he steps into where God is leading him next!

SPORTS & REC. MINISTRY SUMMER CAMPS

Send your kids to Northside for some summer camp fun this year! We have camps for all ages and interests, including Ballet camp, STEM camp, Karate camp, Basketball, Pickleball, and Golf. Find more information and register at www.NorthsideUMC.org/summercamps.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: CAMP FIRELIGHT

You're invited to Northside's Camp Firelight VBS, June 2–5 from 9:00AM to 12:00PM! This will be an unforgettable VBS. We will learn all about individuals from the Bible who experienced the profound gift of a trusting relationship with God. It will remind us that God is always with us, leading us, sharing wisdom, providing peace, and igniting joy as we rejoice in the good news of Jesus in our lives and the lives of others. Register via www.NorthsideUMC.org/VBS.

METRO ATLANTA PROJECT 2025

Metro Atlanta Project (MAP) is a week-long mission project that works to rebuild the city, one life at a time. Students will work on mission projects each day and participate in a worship experience each night. Registration is required and open to all students who have completed grades 6–12. MAP will be July 15–19. Visit www.NorthsideUMC.org/MAP.

HELP US UPDATE OUR RECORDS!

Have you recently moved, updated your email or phone number, or welcomed a new child or grandchild? Please help us keep our records current and stay connected by emailing us with any updates. This impacts how you receive our weekly emails, monthly mailer, and quarterly newsletter, as well as other important church communications. Email Melody Brown, our Executive Assistant, at MelodyB@NorthsideUMC.org.

We'd love to see you again soon! Our regular Sunday worship times resume next week: 8:30AM Traditional, 9:00AM Contemporary, and 11:15AM Traditional. We also have Sunday school classes for all grades and ages available at 10:10AM. For a full Sunday schedule, please visit www.NorthsideUMC.org/events.



75 YEARS *knowing, growing, and going for the kingdom of God*



NORTHSIDE'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION — SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025 —

Join us for an amazing day of celebrating God's faithfulness over the past 75 years and our commitment to faithfulness now and into the future! On **Sunday, October 5, 2025**, we will have special worship services at **9:00** and **11:15AM** and a reception during our **10:10AM** Sunday school hour. All are welcome!

Save the date and plan to join us! Contact Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson at CatherineB@NorthsideUMC.org with any questions.



NORTHSIDE CHURCH

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

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*

TRADITIONAL MUSIC MINISTRY

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

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