

# *May grace meet you here . . .*

## WELCOME

Prelude *Vai Com Deus! (Go With God)*  
Simei Montero

Greeting and Welcome

Passing of the Peace

+Call to Worship

We come to worship because we are in  
between:

**hope and grief,  
faith and doubt,  
joy and longing,  
curiosity and conviction.**

We come to worship and God meets us here.  
**Surely, we are not alone. Thanks be to God  
for meeting us in the middle! Amen.**

+Hymn *All Who Hunger* TFWS #2126

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,  
When we fail to be righteous,  
show us mercy.  
When we fail to be merciful,  
show us what is right.  
Again and again,  
bring us closer to you.  
Again and again,  
show us the way.  
Amen.**

Words of Forgiveness

Family of faith, hear and believe this good  
news:

When we fail to be righteous,  
**God is merciful.**

When we fail to be merciful,  
**God invites us to try again.**

Again and again,  
**God moves closer to us.**

Again and again,  
**God shows us the way.**  
Thanks be to God for this unending love.  
**Amen.**

Centering

+Hymn *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*  
TFWS #2200 2X

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

## THE WORD

Scripture Luke 19:1-10

Children's Message

+Hymn *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*  
UMH #402

Message "Righteousness & Mercy"

## THANKSGIVING

Celebration of Holy Communion UMH #15-16

Communion Music *Do All the Good You Can*

Prayer after Communion

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this  
holy mystery in which you have given  
yourself to us. Grant that we may go into  
the world in the strength of your spirit, to  
give ourselves for others, in the name of  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

+Hymn *Joy in the Morning* TFWS #2284

## DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

+Benediction

Postlude *Over My Head*  
African American Spiritual

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Pastor Donna Dempewolf  
Merrell Thornton, Reader  
NUMC Band:  
Kristen Twitchell, Vocals  
Wendy Smith, Flute, Vocals, Guitar, Piano  
Nick Weaver, Guitar  
Tim Goodwin, Guitar, Harmonica  
David Miller, Piano, Trombone  
Mike Legvold, Bass Guitar  
Dave Drentlaw, Drums

## If you are new here . . .

- ✧ We are so glad you joined us!
- ✧ **If you would benefit from a large print bulletin or a hearing assistance device, please ask an usher.**
- ✧ +Please stand as able when you see this symbol as we move through the order of worship.
- ✧ Words for congregational liturgy and song are listed in the bulletin or projected on the screen at the front of the sanctuary. Most hymns can be found in the hardcover *United Methodist Hymnal* (2-3 digit) or soft cover *The Faith We Sing* (4 digit) located in the pews. We also have Bibles for following along with Scripture.
- ✧ Check our website for more information.

### For Parents

- ✧ Want to learn more about NUMC's ministry with children, youth, and families? Join our email list! [info@northfieldumc.org](mailto:info@northfieldumc.org)
- ✧ Staffed nursery available for children during worship.

### Northfield United Methodist Church Mission

We are companions in Christ, called, nurtured, and sent out for this purpose: to glorify God by acts of worship, devotion, compassion, and justice.

Donna Dempewolf, Pastor  
Gregory Ennis, Children's Ministry  
Kristen Twitchell, Interim Youth Director  
Ruth Kruse, Parish Nurse  
For more information visit our website at [www.northfieldumc.org](http://www.northfieldumc.org).  
Miss a week?  
Watch our worship service online on our website!

*Jesus Christ calls us to offer welcome, hospitality and God's gracious love to all.*

## Upcoming Events

### Sundays

9:30 am – Worship  
9:40 am – Children's Church (5<sup>th</sup> grade and under)  
10:30 am – Coffee in Fellowship Hall

### Wednesdays

3:30-5:30 pm – KC3 (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
5:30-6:15 pm – Super Wednesday meal  
6:15 pm – Adult Choir Rehearsal  
6:30 pm – Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
6:30-8:00 pm – Youth Fellowship (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)

### Upcoming Events

#### Caring For Creation Series Schedule

**Worship 9:30 am, Class 10:30 am**

#### April 27

Dr. Kiara Jorgenson, Hope Through Tears  
Class: Dr. Mark Seeley, Our Current Climate Situation

#### May 4

Dr. Timothy Eberhart, Called to be Creatures  
Class: Dr. Eberhart, God in All Things: Recovering our Spiritual Ties to the Land

### Lenten Schedule

**PALM/PASSION SUNDAY**, Sunday, April 13, 9:30 am,  
Children's sing during service

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**, Thursday, April 17, 6:30 pm,  
Holy Communion and Foot/Hand Washing in the Fellowship Hall

**GOOD FRIDAY**, Friday, April 18, 6:30 pm, Service of Tenebrae

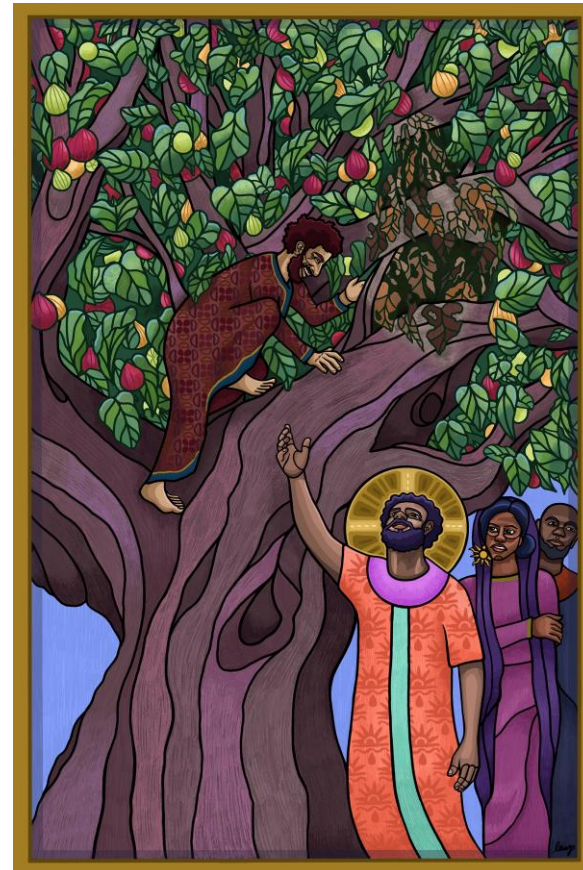
**COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT**, Saturday, April 19, 1:00 pm

**EASTER SUNDAY**, Sunday, April 20, 9:30 am, Easter Brunch following service in Fellowship Hall

**EASTER BRUNCH EGG BAKE DONATIONS NEEDED!**

Email [youth@northfieldumc.org](mailto:youth@northfieldumc.org) to donate.

**The Church office will be closed Monday, April 21**



## Everything [In] Between Righteousness & Mercy

**April 6, 2025**  
**9:30 am**

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Justice.