

# *May grace meet you here . . .*

## WELCOME

Prelude *Star Child*

Greeting and Welcome

+Call to Worship

The light shines in the darkness.

**The darkness shall not overcome it.**

+Hymn

*The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy*

TFWS #2098

Prayers of the People

Prayers of Confession

Proclamation of the Good News

The Lord's Prayer

Special Music

*With Wondering Awe*

arr. Joe Johnson

## THE WORD

Scripture Isaiah 7:10-16

A Moment for Children

+Hymn

*Canticle of the Turning*

(Lyrics on screen)

Message

## THANKSGIVING

Offertory

*Peace, Peace*

arr. Fred Bock

Offering Liturgy

All that we have is a gift, and we are  
grateful recipients of God's abundance.

**Receive our offerings, O God: may our  
lives proclaim the good news of Jesus.**

+Hymn

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

UMH #238

## DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

+Benediction

Postlude *Wonderful Child*

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Rev. Rachel McIver Morey

NUMC Band

Just For Fun: Kevin Dahle, Tim Hanson,

David Miller, Ned Newberg,

Dave Wolf

Sara Newberg, Piano

Parker Sneary, Violin

Philip Spensley, Reader

## 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.

Our pastors are  
Rachel McIver Morey and Jerad Morey.  
For more information visit our website at  
[www.northfieldumc.org](http://www.northfieldumc.org).  
Miss a week?  
Find our sermons online at our website!

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

## Upcoming Events

### Sundays

9:30 am – Worship  
10:00 am – Children's Church (5<sup>th</sup> grade and under)  
10:30 am – Sunday Youth Connect (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)  
10:30 am – Coffee in Fellowship Hall

### Wednesdays

3:30-5:30 pm – KC3 (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
5:30-6:30 pm – Super Wednesday meal  
6:30 pm – Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
6:30-8:30 pm – Youth Fellowship (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)  
6:30-7:30 pm – Open Gym (supervised)  
No Super Wednesday – December 21, 28, January 4

### Christmas Events & Christmas Eve Worship

December 21 – 4:00 pm Advent Service of Peace & Healing, music will begin at 3:45 pm  
December 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship  
3:00 pm, 4:30 pm and 10:30 pm  
(4:30 pm service will be livestreamed)  
December 25 – 9:30 am Christmas Day, online pre-recorded worship service only  
January 1 – Pajama Sunday, wear your favorite PJ's to church!

### Church office hours:

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Friday – 9:00 – noon  
The office is closed each day from noon-1:00 pm.  
The Church Office will be closed December 24<sup>th</sup> – January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

\*\*\*If you would like a Giving Statement emailed or mailed to you prior to year end please contact Sandy in the church office at 507-645-5689. Year end Giving Statements will be mailed to everyone in January. \*\*\*

Worship.  
Devotion.



Compassion.  
Justice.



## Advent Series: Hope in the Dark

*"I will not allow my life's light  
to be determined by the darkness  
around me." – Sojourner Truth*

**December 18, 2022  
9:30 a.m.**

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