

May grace meet you here . . .

WELCOME

Prelude

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore
Cesareo Gabarain

Greeting and Welcome

Passing of the Peace

+Call to Worship

Open our hearts, O God, to your presence
already at work in our lives.

**Break through any barriers in our hearts
separating us from you and others.**

By your Spirit, show us possibilities beyond
what we can imagine for ourselves and our
church.

**Make us ready; our hands are yours. Through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

+Hymn *Shout to the Lord* TFWS #2074

Prayers

THE WORD

Scripture Nehemiah 3:1-2, 12; 4:1-3; 6:1-4

Children's Message

+Hymn *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*
UMH #400

Message

THANKSGIVING

Holy Communion

Come one and all to this feast; an offering of
bread and drink and the promise of the Living

Christ among us. This is the table of God where
all who seek to be at peace with their neighbor
and all who seek the mercy of God in Christ are
embraced. Come, for we are invited in this holy
mystery. Come.

We are ready!

Jesus said: "I am the bread of life. All who come
to me shall not hunger, and all who believe in me
shall never be thirsty."

**We are hungry and thirsty. O Lamb of God, we
come!**

We remember that on the night of betrayal and
desertion, Jesus gathered with his followers, he
offered the bread in thanksgiving and said:

**"Take, eat. This is my body which is given for
you. Do this in remembrance of me."**

In the same way, Jesus offered the cup in
thanksgiving and said:

**"Take, drink. This is my blood, the blood of the
new covenant which is poured out for you and
for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as
often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."**

Come, Holy Spirit. Come. Open our eyes to the
mystery of Christ's presence in these ordinary
gifts, in these our ordinary lives. May they be for
us the very essence of the living Christ in our
midst. Through the broken bread:

We participate in the Body of Christ.

Through the cup of blessing:

We participate in the new life Christ gives.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Come, for all things are ready!

Come, all who journey in faith: bring your lives,
fragile and holy. There is a place for you here.

We come to this table, ready to see anew.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Communion Music *In the Garden*

C. Austin Miles

Prayer after Communion

**For the wholeness you have given us in the
brokenness of bread and the pouring out of
cup, we thank you. For the community that
you have restored in us through the sharing
of life, we thank you. Send us forth from this
place in gratitude and love, letting justice be
worked out with gentleness in the presence
of your Spirit. Amen.**

+Hymn *The Right Hand of God*

(lyrics on screen)

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

+Benediction

Postlude *Lord of the Dance* Shaker Tune

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Pastor Donna Dempewolf

Paul Kluge, Reader

NUMC Band:

Jeff Wood, Vocals

Elaine Boda, Cello

Nick Weaver, Guitar and Violin

Tim Goodwin, Guitar

David Miller, Piano and Drums

Mike Legvold, Bass Guitar

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
- ✧ 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.
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
10:00 am – Children's Church (5th grade and under)
10:30 am – Coffee in Fellowship Hall

Wednesdays

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

Upcoming Events

Tuesday and Thursday through March 27, 1:30-3:30 pm, Methodist Mile indoor walking
Tuesdays through March 18, 10:00-11:30 am, Playtime for Toddlers
Tuesdays, 9:00 am, Women's Bible Study
Fridays, 8:00 am, Men's Breakfast
Monday, February 3, 3:00 pm UWF Board Mtg

Church office hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Friday, 8:00 am – noon

Worship.
Devotion.



Compassion.
Justice.



Nehemiah: What is your great work?

February 2, 2025 9:30 am

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