

# May grace meet you here . . .

## WELCOME

### Prelude

*My Lord, What a Morning*

arr. Richard Billingham

*There is a Balm In Gilead*

### Greeting and Welcome

#### +Call to Worship

I hear change humming

**I hum with a hundred hearts, each of us  
lifting a hand.**

I'm the voice where freedom rings. You're  
the love your bright, heart brings.

**We are the wave starting to spring, for we  
are the change we sing.**

We're what the world is becoming, and we  
know it won't be long

**We all hear change strumming. For we  
are the change we sing.**

#### +Hymn

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

UMH #519

### Prayers of the People

### Prayers of Confession

### Proclamation of the Good News

### The Lord's Prayer

### Litany of Reconciliation

Congregational Response: **Because we  
believe...**

Final Response: **Because we believe, we  
commit!**

### Prayer Response

*Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

UMH #334

## THE WORD

Scripture Judges 11:30-31, 34-39

### A Message for Children

#### +Hymn

*Stand By Me*

UMH #512

### Message

## THANKSGIVING

Offertory *Come Sunday* Duke Ellington

### 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

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

UMH #474

## DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

#### +Benediction

### Postlude

*Let us Break Bread Together*

arr. Mark Hayes

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### Call to Worship adapted from:

*Change Sings: A Children's Anthem*  
words by Amanda Gorman.

Rev. Pamela Ngunjiri  
Donna Paulsen, Organist  
Cindy Anderson, 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?

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

10:30 am – Coffee in Fellowship Hall

### Upcoming Happenings:

**Sunday, May 21 – United Women in Faith Sunday**

**Sunday, May 21 – 10:30 am NUMC Softball Brat Feed Fundraiser**

**Sunday, May 21 – 10:30 am New Member Class**

**Sunday, May 21 – 10:30 am Adult Forum, Truth**

**Telling & Reparations, Rev. Pamela Ngunjiri Gojere**

**Monday, May 29 – Memorial Day – Church office closed**

**Saturday, June 3 – 12:00-4:00 pm Pride in the Park**

**Sunday, June 11 – Graduation Sunday**

**June 16-17 – UWF Rummage Sale**

### 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

**Church office summer hours begin June 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Closed on Friday

NUMC Breakthrough Prayer: Open our hearts, O God, to your presence already at work in our lives. Break through any barrier 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.

**Worship.  
Devotion.**



**Compassion.  
Justice.**



# Ascension Day and United Women in Faith Sunday

**May 21, 2023  
9:30 a.m.**

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