

May grace meet you here . . .

WELCOME

Prelude *O Sons and Daughters of the King*
Wilbur Held

Greeting and Welcome

Passing of the Peace

+Call to Worship

Come, all creatures of our God and King—lift
up your voice and with us sing!

**We join the sun and moon, the rushing wind
and rising tide, offering praise to the One
who gives life to all.**

With every breath, with every beat of creation,
let us rejoice and be glad!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! We worship the Lord of
light, love, and life!**

+Hymn *All Creatures of Our God and King*
UMH #62 vs 1-4

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

THE WORD

Scripture John 21:4-8, 15-17, 19

Children's Message

Special Music Choir Anthem

For the Music of Creation

Shirley Erena Murray, Daniel Nelson

Scripture Dr. Timothy Eberhart
Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17

Message Dr. Timothy Erberhart
"Our Creatureliness in the Creation/Earth"

THANKSGIVING

Celebration of Holy Communion

Communion Liturgy

Rev. Sally Johnson, United Methodist Creation Justice
Movement

Congregational Response

**The whole world is full of your goodness and
mercy. We give thanks today, tomorrow, and
always.**

Communion Prayer

**Our Creator, who dwells in heaven and earth,
sacred are all your names.**

**May your circle of mercy and care be present
this day and your will for all creation bring us
into your light, even as we are held by your
great love throughout time.**

**Feed us today with the gifts of your goodness
and bathe us in your mercy, as we offer acts
of justice and love to all we meet.**

**Help us to turn from all that leads us from
your way and save us from all that destroys
life. For this creation is yours, full of awe and
beauty and mystery, today, tomorrow, and
always, may it be so, Amen**

*(As you come forward to receive communion,
you are invited to place your hospitality card and
offering in the baskets provided.)*

Communion Music

Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring J.S. Bach

Prayer after Communion

**Creator God, you breathe life into all and
bless the Earth with seeds and soil. Nourished
by your gifts of grapes and grain, we go forth
to care for this good Earth. In Jesus' name,
Amen.**

+Hymn *Blue Boat Home* (lyrics on screen)
(sung to the tune of Hyfrydol, UMH #196)

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Special Music Choir

A Closing Prayer Don Besig

+Benediction

Postlude *Now the Green Blade Rises*
Mark Sedio

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Donna Dempewolf, Pastor
Dr. Timothy Eberhart, Guest Preacher
Catherine Williams, Reader
Joanne Rodland, Organist
Deborah Rae Miller, Director Adult Choir
David Miller, Piano

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
9:40 am – Children's Church (5th grade and under)
10:30 am – Coffee in Fellowship Hall
Final Children's Church May 18th until fall

Wednesdays

3:30-5:30 pm – KC3 (K-5th 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 (6th-12th grade)
Final Super Wednesday May 7th

Upcoming Events

NUMC Board Meeting, Wednesday, May 14, 5:30 pm, Library
Church Conference, Wednesday, May 14, 6:30 pm, Reception Room
Coffee with the Pastor, Tuesday, May 20, 1:00-2:30 pm, The HideAway Coffeeshouse

Caring For Creation Series Schedule

Worship 9:30 am, Class 10:30 am

May 4

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

May 11

Pastor Donna Dempewolf, *Listening for a Voice*
Class: Facilitator Mary Lynn Oglesbee, *Courage and Renewal*

May 18

Rev. Howard White, *A Path and Plan of Resolute Love*; Tim Goodwin, educator, author, musician, climate witness.
Class: *What Then Shall We Do?* Panel discussion facilitated by Clay Oglesbee with Alan Anderson, Richard DeBeau, Howard White and others.

Worship.
Devotion.



Compassion.
Justice.



Caring for Creation

“Called to be Creatures”

May 4, 2025
9:30 am

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