## May grace meet you here . . .

#### WELCOME

Prelude Reverie

Louis Vierne

Greeting and Welcome

Passing of the Peace

+Call to Worship

Take a breath. Let the rush of the week ease for a moment.

We're here to hold onto hope and listen for wisdom.

The world can feel loud and uncertain, yet something deeper calls to us.

We come to notice, to learn, to be guided by love.

Together we reach for what lasts—hope, courage, and compassion.

Be our vision, O God—wise and radiant in our hearts.

+Hymn Be Thou My Vision UMH #451

**Unison Prayer** 

God of all nations and peoples, you call us to live as citizens of your kingdom—to hold fast to hope when fear rises, to choose compassion over indifference, to see your image in neighbor and stranger alike. In a world that trembles with conflict and uncertainty, anchor us in your steadfast love. Grant us eyes to see your light, and hearts to labor for peace—until your will is done on earth as in heaven. Amen.

Children's Message

Special Music Lauri Lammin
Precious Load Take My Hand

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

THE WORD

Scripture Luke 12:32-40

+Hymn Hope of the World UMH #178

Message Holding to a Hopeful Vision Pastor Joan Deming

**THANKSGIVING** 

Generosity Campaign Mary Twitchell

Offertory Music Be Thou My Vision Irish Melody, arr. Mark Hayes

Offertory Liturgy

God calls us to hold to a hopeful vision—even when headlines discourage, and peace feels far away.

We offer these gifts as signs of trust—trust that God is still working, still healing, still renewing.

May our giving join the Spirit's work of reconciliation, in Northfield and across the world.

With grateful hearts, we offer our gifts and our lives. Amen.

+Hymn Let There Be Peace on Earth
UMH #431

#### DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

+Blessing
Go in peace,
and may hope hold you steady,
wisdom guide your steps,
and joy surprise you along the way.

Postlude Processional of Joy (Based on Symphony No. 9 by Beethoven) arr. Hal Hopson

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Donna Dempewolf, Pastor Joan Deming, Pastor Robert Steed, Reader Donna Paulsen, Organist

## 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 &
Interim 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 10:30 am – Coffee in Fellowship Hall 10:30 am – Adult Faith Formation

## Wednesdays

3:30 – 5:30 pm, (K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade) Fun, Faith & Food Snack 5:30-6:15 pm – Community Meal 6:15 pm – Adult Choir 6:30 pm – Handbell Choir 6:30 pm – Youth Fellowship

## **Upcoming Events**

River Bluffs Cluster Charge Conference, today, Sunday, November 9, 4:00 pm, Fellowship Hall Micah meeting, Monday, November 10, 10:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Women's Bible Study, Tuesday, November 11, 9:00 am, room #120

**Harvest Dinner**, Super Wednesday, November 12, 5:30 pm

**Men's Breakfast**, Friday, November 7, 8:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Toys for Tots – November 16 – December 10 Boxes will be located in the Narthex and south entry. Donate a new (unwrapped) toy to help bring holiday joy to less fortunate children in Rice County.

# Adult Faith Formation – 10:30 Reception Room

Social Concerns: Facilitator: The Micah Team 11/9 Showing Up for Palestine – Rev. Joan Deming 11/16 Insights into Palestine-Israel – Bob Goonin and Ashraf Ashkar

11/23 Activism at the Southern Border – Maire Gery

Worship. Devotion.



Compassion. Justice.



Holding to a Hopeful Vision

November 9, 2025 9:30 am

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