

May grace meet you here . . .

WELCOME *(Please sign the Friendship Pad)*

Prelude *How Great Thou Art*
Euphonium Duet

Greeting & Welcome

Call to Worship

This is a day to celebrate the gift of
community—

the people who encourage us, challenge us,
and walk beside us.

**We come with different stories and different
perspectives, and still, God gathers us
together.**

There is grace enough for difference,
courage enough for conversation,
and love enough to keep us connected.

**So bring your whole self—
your joy, your questions, your hope.
All: Let us worship God together!**

Passing of the Peace

+Hymn *All Things Bright and Beautiful*
UMH #147

Children's Message

Call to Prayer *Amazing Grace*
Euphonium Duet

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Special Music Lauri Lammin
Coat of Many Colors

WORD

A Prayer for a New Season

**As summer gives way to fall,
we give thanks for what has been
and make room for what can be.
May we carry forward what gives life,
let go of what does not, and stay open
to new possibilities. Amen.**

+Hymn *This Is a Day of New Beginnings*
UMH #383 vs 1-4

Scripture *Matthew 18:15-20 (The Message)*

Message *When Relationships Get Hard*

THANKSGIVING

Offertory Music *Shall We Gather at the River*
Setting: Michael Burkhardt

Offertory Liturgy

**Thank you for all that has been shared
today—our gifts, our time, our care, and our
generosity. May what we share bring people
together, open new possibilities, and make a
difference in our community and beyond.
Amen.**

+Hymn *Let There Be Peace on Earth*
UMH #431

BLESSING

Postlude *Fanfare* Eric H. Thiman

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Donna Dempewolf, Pastor
Tracy Goodwin, Reader
Joanne Rodland, Organ
Lauri Lammin, Soloist
Philip Peterson, Euphonium

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
 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
 10:30 am – Coffee in Fellowship Hall
Children's Church will return September 20th

Wednesdays

Super Wednesday – Beginning September 16th
 3:30-5:30 pm KidConnect, ages K-5th grade
 5:30-6:15 pm Shared Meal
 6:30 pm Handbell Choir
 6:30 pm Youth Ministry, ages 6-12 grade

Upcoming Events

Micah mtg, Monday, September 14, 10:00 am,
 room #120
Esther Circle, Monday, September 14, 1:00 pm,
 Kildahl
Pub Theology, Monday, September 14, 6:30 pm,
 Chapel Brewing, Dundas
Women's Bible Study, Tuesday, September 15, 9:00
 am, room #120
Meditation, Tuesday, September 15, 7:00 pm,
 Reception Room
Mission Sewing, Wednesday, September 16, 9:00
 am, room #120
Men's Breakfast, Friday, September 18, 8:00 am,
 Fellowship Hall

Sunday Special Events

September 20 – Fall Kick Off
 Children's Church
 Blessing of the Backpacks
 Brat Feed Softball Fundraiser
 Justice Table
September 27 – Celebration Sunday
 Adult Faith Formation
 Celebratory Music
 Special Treats
 Kids Games in the Gym



When Relationships Get Hard

**September 13, 2026
 9:30 am**

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Worship.
 Devotion.



Compassion.
 Justice.