

Connect Card

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Welcome! Whether you are a visitor or a member, you can always learn more at North Church. Let us know how we can help you.

- I need to update my contact information.
- I'd like to receive North Church's e-newsletter.
- I'm interested in speaking with someone about North.
- I'd like to speak to a Pastor about a personal concern.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

I am interested in learning more about:

- Children's Ministries
- Youth Ministries
- Young Adult Ministries
- Small Groups
- Music Ministries
- Outreach and Missions
- Care and Nurture Ministries
- Hospitality Ministries
- Green Team
- Reconciling Ministries
- United Methodist Women
- Justice & Advocacy

Other/Comments

Sundays at North

Sunday Morning Hospitality

All are welcome

- 8:30-10:15: Community Room
- Following 11:00 service: Community Room

Childcare During Worship

Provided for infants-4 year olds during both worship services & Sunday School

- Infant/Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102

Sunday School (9:45-10:45):

Adult Sunday School

- The Affirming Group: Room 207
- Amazing Grace: Room 106
- Contemporary Biblical Forum: 009
- On Being: Library
- Power and Light: Room 205
- Sojourners: Room 005
- Usual Suspects: 006

Children Sunday School

- Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102
- K-4th Grade: Chapel
 - Kindergarten—101
 - 1st & 2nd Grade—104
 - 3rd & 4th Grade—204
 - 5th & 6th Grade—203

Youth Sunday School

- Confirmation: Room 202
7th Graders Not In Confirmation: Room 203
- *8th Graders Not In Confirmation: Room 008*
- High School: Room 008

The Happenings

Details can be found in the weekly eNews, Facebook/Twitter, bulletin boards or Fall Book

- **Throughout January** – Food drive for Mid-North Food Pantry; drop off donated canned goods to the Hospitality Desk
- **January 1: New Year's Day Service** – 11:00am; there will be one combined service, a covenant service that renews our commitment to Christ for the New Year
- **January 4: Mid-North Shepherd's Center** – 10:00am: Healthy Habits for Adults (Debbie Wright – Oasis); 11:00am: MNSC Update – Moving Forward (Jeff Linnan)
- **January 6: Three Kings Party** – 5:00-8:00pm, Fellowship Hall; celebrate the Epiphany with us & enjoy games & crafts, food & a Kings Cake; fun for the whole family; register via the Connect Card
- **January 15, 22 & 29: Redneck Liberation Theology** – 9:45am, Room 207; led by Pastor Darren, this 3-part study explores the history, beliefs & practices of white working class Americans & their relationship with the church; sign up via the Connect Card
- **January 15: United Methodist Women (UMW) Sunday** – The UMW National President, Shannon Priddy, is preaching
- **January 22: Taize Worship Service** – 5:00pm, Chapel
- **January 25:**
 - **Women of Lydia (UMW)** – 7:00pm, Club Room; Amy Sell will present
 - **13th Film & Discussion** – 7:00pm; hosted by North's Justice & Advocacy team; view the movie *13th* followed by a discussion of faith & social justice; the documentary analyzes the depth of injustices of the United States' criminal justice system; register via the Connect Card
 - **North Church Board Meeting** – 5:30pm, Parlor
- **January 26: Miriam Circle (UMW)** – 12:00pm, Parlor; Amy Sell will present
- **February 7: Crystal Tones Alchemy Bowl Sound Circle** - 6:30-8:00pm; presented by the Care & Nurture ministry, join Terri Coddington for meditation, relaxation & stress relief, through vibrational healing; register via the Connect Card by February 2
- **February 28: Mardi Gras** – 5:30-7:00pm, Fellowship Hall; Celebrate "Fat Tuesday" with a pancake dinner prepared & served by church staff, complete with festive music; all are welcome



Christmas Day December 25, 2016

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue on Johann Pachelbel
Good News from Heaven the Angels Bring

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ is born!

People: Alleluia!

Leader: Jesus is among us!

People: Alleluia!

Leader: Shout with joy, give thanks, and sing!

People: Christ is born!

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

*#240	<i>Hark! the Herald Angels Sing</i>	
#220	<i>Angels from the Realms of Glory</i>	v.1 & 4
#237	<i>Sing We Now of Christmas</i>	v.1 & 3

*Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**By the light of the Holy Spirit shining upon us,
open our hearts and minds, O God, to your Word,
present now and always for the sake of your holy name.
Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Hebrews 1:1-4 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 204
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

DUET *The Infant Jesus* Pietro Yon
Kathleen Hacker, soprano; Mark Gilgallon, baritone
When blossoms flowered 'mid the snows upon a winter night
was born the child, the Christmas Rose, the King of Love and Light.
The angels sang, the shepherds sang, the grateful earth rejoiced,
and at his blessed birth the stars their exultation voiced.
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.
Again the heart with rapture glows to greet the holy night
that gave the world its Christmas Rose, it's King of Love and Light.
Let every voice acclaim his name, the grateful chorus swell,
from paradise to earth he came that we with him might dwell. *Refrain*

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #818 Psalm 98

INVITATION TO PRAYER

HYMN OF PRAYER #242 *Love Came Down at Christmas*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: God, in your mercy . . .
People: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal pg. 895

HYMN OF PRAYER #229 *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Pastoral Symphony from *Messiah* G. F. Handel

*DOXOLOGY #94 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

SECOND LESSON Isaiah 52:7-10 Pew Bible, OT, pg. 642
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Hope is Born* Ronnie Bell

*CLOSING HYMN #245 *The First Noel*

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Noël Grand Jeu et Duo* Louis Claude d'Aquin
A setting of the French carol "When at Christmas Christ was born"

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Accessibility

- Wheelchair(s) located in west entry
- Wheelchair and elevator access in the west and southwest entries
- Pew cutouts in Sanctuary for wheelchairs
- Hearing enhancement devices available at welcome desk in west entry and tables in east entry of Sanctuary
- Large print hymnals and bulletins available from ushers

Children

We love children to join us in worship. If you prefer, childcare is available for infants-4 year olds in rooms on the main floor. Worship bags are available for all kids in the east entry.

This week's worship leaders:

Ronnie Bell
Pastor of Mission & Outreach
Mark Gilgallon
Director of Music
Guest organist:
Robert A. Schilling
North's Minister of Worship and the Arts, 1961-2002

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Event Sign Ups

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