

## 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: Rm 202
- Amazing Grace: Parlor
- Contemporary Biblical Forum: Rm 009
- On Being: Club Room
- Power and Light: Rm 205
- Sojourners: Rm 005
- Usual Suspects: Rm 004

#### Children Sunday School

- Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102
- K-4<sup>th</sup> Grade:
  - Kindergarten—101
  - 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade—104
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade—204
  - 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade—203
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#### Youth Sunday School

- Middle School: Room 207
- High School: Room 008

#### Music

- (Following 11:00am service)
- Carolers: Conference Room
- Choristers: Room 004
- Joyful Noise: Room 101

## The Happenings

Details can be found in the weekly eNews, social media, bulletin boards or the Spring Book

- **March 12:**
  - **Deadline to Register for April 2 Indy Fuel Game** – 3:05pm, Indiana Farmers Coliseum; tickets are \$13 available at Hospitality Desk; open skating with free skate rental following the game
  - **ELEVATION** – 4pm, Room 203
  - **Youth Group** – 5pm, Room 008
  - **Lenten Hymn Sing** – 6pm, Chapel; Kick off the Lenten season by singing your favorite hymns during this sing-a-long
- **March 15:**
  - **Mid-North Shepherd's Center** – 10am: Healthy Habits; 11am: Palestine/Israel Present Relationship
  - **Exodus Refugee Immigration Presentation** – POSTPONED
- **March 19: North's Cancer Support Group** – 12pm, Parlor; conversation & a light lunch
- **March 22-May 10 (Wednesdays): Seeing the Cross: New Testament Interpretations of Jesus' Death** – 7:00-8:30pm; Led by Pastor Darren, explore different perspectives of the cross through the New Testament in this 7-part study; sign up via Connect Card
- **March 22:**
  - **North Church Board Meeting** – 5:30pm, Parlor
  - **UMW: Women of Lydia** – 7pm, Club Room
- **March 23: UMW: Miriam Circle** – 12pm Parlor
- **March 25: Earth Hour** – 6-8pm, Fellowship Hall; Hosted by Green Team & Children's Ministry; spend an hour unplugged with no electricity; storytelling, games & music; sign up via Connect Card
- **March 26: Taize Worship Service** – 5:00pm, Chapel
- **Sundays: The Affirming Group: A Study on Family** – 9:45am, Room 202; Mar. 19 will focus on adoption; contact Don Childers (donsuechilders@yahoo.com) for info
- **Sundays Through April 2: Book Study - Cross and the Lynching Tree** – 9:45am, Room 106; join Pastor Ronnie & the Amazing Grace class as they study James Cone's book; sign up via Connect Card
- **Wednesdays Through April 12: Weekly Communion During Lent** – 7:30am, Chapel; receive communion during this short worship service (15-20 mins- no sermon)
- **April 9: Palm to Passion Sunday & Parade** – 9:45am; This year's Palm Sunday begins with a parade, including a donkey, through the neighborhood during the Sunday School hour



March 12, 2017

MEDITATION

*Barbed Wire Crucifix*

*The crucifix that hangs from the pulpit this morning was made by the Rev. Rick Pickering, former Pastor of Visitation. The use of barbed wire illuminates the harsh reality of Christ suffering and reminds us of the barriers he crossed over to live in union with humanity.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ronnie Bell

\*PASSING THE PEACE

PRELUDE

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

arr. C. Dobrinski  
Cathedral Ringers

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Insiders and outcasts,  
friends and foes,  
disciples and disputers  
in the name of Jesus,

**People: welcome to the house of peace.**

Leader: Searchers and strangers,  
skeptics and sinners,  
dreamers and doubters  
in the name of Jesus,

**People: welcome to the home of grace.**

\*OPENING HYMN #340

*Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

CONFIRMATION OF BROOKE PIPKIN (11:00)

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION


Phil Roth

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 53:1-9 Pew Bible, OT, pg. 642  
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *The Cross* C. Courtney  
The cross before me to lead, the cross behind me to defend, the cross below me to uphold, the cross beside me to befriend, the cross above me to inspire, the cross within me to consume, O cross surround me with your power, enfold my life, my soul, my all.

The cross each morning when I rise, the cross each evening while I sleep, the cross I see before my eyes, the cross upon my lips I speak, the cross be all that I would hear, the cross be all that I believe, the cross be with me in this life, the cross be with me when I leave.

The cross before me, the cross within me, the cross is all I need.

\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #765 Psalm 31:9-16  
 11:00 a.m. As the Canticle of Praise begins, Kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to Alternative Worship; please follow the banner leader.

HYMN OF PRAYER #292 *What Wondrous Love Is This* v.1-2

CONFESSION AND PARDON  
Leader: In humble honesty, let us confess our sin to God:  
**People: Faithful God, we confess that we have celebrated the successful and praised the powerful, while we ignored the cry of the needy and rejected the outcast. Forgive us for our sin and free us from our comfortable illusions. Teach us how to embrace ourselves and others in all our brokenness and strife, through Jesus Christ, the Human One. Amen.**

[Silence]

Leader: Hear the Good News:  
Christ was wounded for our transgressions and by his stripes we are healed.  
**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: God, in your mercy . . .

**People: Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER Hymnal pg. 895

HYMN OF PRAYER #292 *What Wondrous Love Is This* v.3-4

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Da Pacem Domine* A. Pärt  
Voices in Accord

Da pacem Domine in diebus nostris quia non est alius  
*Give peace, O Lord, in our time because there is no one else*  
qui pugnet pro nobis nisi tu Deus noster.  
*who will fight for us if not You, our God.*

\*DOXOLOGY #95  
***Praise God, throughout these forty days.  
Praise Christ, our Lord whom God did raise.  
And praise the Spirit who imparts  
God’s love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.***

SECOND LESSON Philippians 2:5-8 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 186  
Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,  
For the Word of God among us,  
For the Word of God within us,  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Reclaiming the Cross, Part 2:* Darren Cushman Wood  
*A Graceful Solidarity*

\*CLOSING HYMN #504 *The Old Rugged Cross*

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Forty Days and Forty Nights* arr. C. Tambling

*The red carnation on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Henry Leeper on March 3. Henry’s parents are Seth and Courtnie Leeper and his big sister is Emilia.*

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- 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:

Darren Cushman Wood

Senior Pastor

Phil Roth

Liturgist

Ronnie Bell

Pastor of Mission & Outreach

Mark Gilgallon

Director of Music

Heather Hinton

Organist

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Event Sign Ups

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