

## Connect Card

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in offering plate

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

#### 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
- Cathedral Ringers: Room 007

## The Happenings

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

- **March 26:**
  - **ELEVATION** – 4-6pm, Room 203
  - **Youth Group** – 5pm, Room 008
  - **Taize Worship Service** – 5pm, Chapel
- **March 29: Mid-North Shepherd's Center** – 10am: IMPD Behavioral Science; 11am: The Church Federation & Indianapolis
- **Sundays: The Affirming Group: A Study on Family** – 9:45am, Room 202; April 2 will focus on alcohol/drug abuse; contact Don Childers (donsuechilders@yahoo.com) for info
- **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
- **April 13: Holy Thursday** – 12pm & 7pm, Chapel; The noon service is a traditional foot washing observance and in the evening, experience the Last Supper with music, prayers and readings
- **April 14:**
  - **Community Good Friday** – 12pm, Chapel; An annual service of intercessory prayers for our community, nation and the world
  - **Requiem by Mack Wilberg** – 7pm, Sanctuary; Written for chorus, baritone, soprano & string orchestra with horns, flutes & harp, commemorate Good Friday with this free musical experience
- **April 15: Easter Egg Hunt** – 10am; Children & Families and Mission & Outreach Ministries will offer a free Easter egg hunt for the kids and families of the congregation and neighborhood
- **April 16: Easter Sunday** – At 8:30am, we will have Holy Communion; at 11am, the Carolers & Cathedral Singers will share special music
- **April 21: Family Game Night** – 5-8pm, Club & Game Rooms; Bring your favorite games to share & have fun with the whole church; dinner & dessert will be served; sign up via the Connect Card
- **April 22: Transitions of Grace: A One-Day Retreat** – 9am-4pm; A retreat for adults to explore God's presence in the midst of life's transitions; topics are directed towards upcoming/current Empty Nesters but all are welcome; cost is \$30/person; sign up via the Hospitality Desk
- **April 23-May 14 (Sundays): ASP Supply Sales** – West Entry; Help support the 32 youth & adults who attend ASP; funds raised go directly to offset costs of the trip such as van rentals, supplies & meals
- **April 26:**
  - **North Church Board Meeting** – 5:30pm, Parlor
  - **United Methodist Women: Women of Lydia** – 7pm, Club Room
- **April 27: United Methodist Women: Miriam Circle** – 12pm, Parlor



March 26, 2017

BANNER MEDITATION

*The Flame and the Cross*

*This banner has a distinctive blue cross on a red backing filling the entire banner. Blue often is referred to as the color of love. The flame, stitched with many colors associated with fire come from many small fires igniting the large one found in the center of the banner. Both of these images, the flame and the cross come together to show the power of the cross. This power has the ability to remove forever whatever part of our life is unhealthy to be replaced by God's love.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ronnie Bell

\*PASSING THE PEACE

PRELUDE

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

arr. R. Hobby

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the name of Jesus we are accepted and embraced.

**People: Dying, Christ destroyed our death.**

**Rising, Christ restored our life.**

**Come, Lord Jesus, come.**

Leader: In the name of Jesus we are forgiven and freed.

**People: Dying, Christ destroyed our death.**

**Rising, Christ restored our life.**

**Come, Lord Jesus, come.**

Leader: In the name of Jesus let us sing the everlasting song.

\*OPENING HYMN #163

*Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know*

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Josh Beach

FIRST LESSON Galatians 2:19b-20 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 177  
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *And with His Stripes We are Healed* G.F. Handel  
from *Messiah*

\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #777 Psalm 42 Darren Cushman Wood  
 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 #354 *I Surrender All* v. 1-4

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Should we continue sinning so grace will multiply?  
Absolutely not because we have been baptized  
in the name of Jesus Christ,  
who offers us the graceful way.  
Therefore, let us leave our sins at the foot of the cross:

**People: Come, Spirit of the Crucified One, and dwell in our hearts.  
We surrender our lives to you.  
Free us from the sins that others have committed against us.  
Destroy our sins that enslave us.  
Lift us up into your abundant and everlasting life. Amen.**

[Silence]

Leader: Hear the good news:  
If we have died with Christ,  
we believe that we shall also live with him.  
From this moment on,  
consider yourselves dead to sin  
but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Ronnie Bell

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

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Hymnal pg. 895

HYMN OF PRAYER #354 *I Surrender All* v. 5

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Lord, Have Mercy* arr. Rouse/Kirkland  
Jerry Hacker, soloist

In peace we have come to pray and to seek the Lord today, for salvation from his hand, for the healing of our land. Let us pray. Lord, have mercy, for we have placed all our hopes in Thee. For our sin, we repent, O Lord; we believe Your holy Word. Have mercy, Lord, we pray, and take all our sins away. Kyrie, Christe. If You would mark iniquity, O Lord, who could stand? Mercy, like a fountain, flows from Your hand! Lord, have mercy, for we have placed all our hopes in Thee.

\*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 Romans 6:1-14 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 146

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 4:  
A Dying Life* Darren Cushman Wood

\*CLOSING HYMN #419 *I Am Thine, O Lord*

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *O Love, How Deep* arr. C. Phillips

*The white carnation on the altar is in celebration of the life of  
Sue Sedgwick who passed away on March 18.  
Visitation will be Saturday, April 1, 5:00 – 8:00pm in the Parlor.  
Her memorial service will be Sunday, April 2, 2:00pm in the Sanctuary.*

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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:

Darren Cushman Wood  
Senior Pastor  
Josh Beach  
Liturgist  
Ronnie Bell  
Pastor of Mission & Outreach  
Mark Gilgallon  
Director of Music  
Heather Hinton  
Organist

Connect Card

*Please place completed form  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Event Sign Ups

- April 21: Family Game Night
  - # of children: \_\_\_\_\_
  - # of adults: \_\_\_\_\_