

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-4th Grade:
 - Kindergarten—101
 - 1st & 2nd Grade—104
 - 3rd & 4th Grade—204
 - 5th & 6th Grade—203

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 5:**
 - **United Methodist Women (UMW) Sunday Supper** – 12:15pm; meet new church members over lunch; cost is \$10/adult, \$5/children under 10, \$30/household max
 - **The War Room Movie Viewing & Discussion**– 5-8pm, Fellowship Hall; explore the power of prayer in all aspects of life; light dinner & child program included
- **March 8: Mid-North Shepherd's Center** – 10am: Muslim Myths (Habibe Ali); 11am: Singers; 11:15am: Annual Meeting
- **March 8-April 12 (Wednesdays): Weekly Communion During Lent** – 7:30am, Chapel; receive communion during this short worship service (15-20 mins- no sermon)
- **March 10:**
 - **Family Fun Night** – 5-8pm, Expo Bowl (5261 Elmwood Ave); contact Amy Sell for pricing info; register via the Connect Card
 - **Illinois Wesleyan Collegiate Choir Concert** – 7:30pm, Sanctuary; free & open to the public; stop by the Hospitality Desk to learn more about providing housing for the choir
- **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
 - **Lenten Hymn Sing** – 6:00pm, Chapel; Kick off the Lenten season by singing your favorite hymns during this sing-a-long
- **Sundays: The Affirming Group: A Study on Family** – 9:45am, Room 202; Mar. 12 will focus on adoption; contact Don Childers (donsuechilders@yahoo.com) for info
- **March 12: The Parables of Jesus: Not What You Think** – 9:45am, Room 009; a study on the Parables with Perry Kea
- **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 the Connect Card
- **March 14: Sacred Movement as Prayer** – 6:30-8:00pm, Chapel; Facilitated by Lia Goens, experience & learn sacred movements to use at home during Lent; sign up via Connect Card
- **March 15: Exodus Refugee Immigration Presentation** – 6:30pm, Fellowship Hall; learn how individuals & churches can be helpful to refugees who are vulnerable in today's political & social climate
- **March 22-May 10 (Wednesdays): Seeing the Cross: New Testament Interpretations of Jesus' Death** – 7:00-8:30pm; Led by Pastor Darren, explore the different perspectives of the cross through the New Testament in this 7-part study; sign up via the Connect Card
- **March 22:**
 - **North Church Board Meeting** – 5:30pm, Parlor
 - **United Methodist Women: Women of Lydia** – 7pm, Club Room
- **March 23: United Methodist Women: Miriam Circle** – 12pm, Parlor



March 5, 2017

BANNER MEDITATION

The Journey

The foundation of this banner is represented by the gold cross that touches each edge of the banner. Around the center are fragments of mirror to reflect the light God brings to believers. Colors across the top of the banner reflect light one sees from sunrise to sunset. Green represents our growth to become fruitful persons. Blue represents the living water and baptism. The dancers express the joy of the journey in following Christ.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ronnie Bell

PRELUDE

Now the Silence, Now the Peace

arr. M. Helman

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come and lift high the cross for all to see;

People: the love of Christ overcomes evil.

Leader: Come and sing the song of triumph;

People: the love of Christ has defeated death.

*OPENING HYMN #159

Lift High the Cross

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM & RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS #38

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

John Drake

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

Pew Bible, OT, pg. 56

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Lord, I Trust Thee

G. F. Handel

Chancel Quartet: Kathy Hacker, Amy Cuomo, Jerry Hacker, Ron Berry

SECOND LESSON

I Corinthians 1:18-25

Pew Bible, NT, pg. 156

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.

*Please stand as you are able.

SERMON Reclaiming the Cross, Part 1:
A Victorious Defeat Darren Cushman Wood

*HYMN #2113 *Lamb of God*

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD Amy Sell

THE INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON

Leader: Jesus invites us to join him at the table of grace.

Let us leave our sins behind and join His feast:

**People: Strong and Clever God, we confess
that we have relied on ourselves
and rejected the strength of the cross;
we have trusted our knowledge and ignored your wisdom.
Break the power of sin and give us the victory
of your strange and amazing love,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

[Silence]

Leader: Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

**People: But thanks be to God who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION #7

with Sung Response



*PASSING THE PEACE

OFFERTORY PRAYER Amy Sell

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Medley of the Cross* arr. H. Helvey

*DOXOLOGY #95 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Ronnie Bell

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... Therefore, in all times and places

your people proclaim your glory in unending praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

...Grant that in praise and thanksgiving
we may be a living sacrifice,
holy and acceptable in your sight,
that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

...In communion with them and with all creation,
we worship and glorify you always:

**Through your Son Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty God,
now and forever. Amen.**

*THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal pg. 895

*BREAKING THE BREAD

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

The baskets beside the communion table are for the member assistance offering. This fund helps provide emergency financial assistance to our members who are in need. After you receive communion, please take a stone cross for your Lenten observance.

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Behold the Lamb of God* G. F. Handel
from *Messiah*

COMMUNION HYMNS

#295 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

#370 *Victory in Jesus* v.1-2

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Darren Cushman Wood

*CLOSING HYMN #370 *Victory in Jesus* v.3

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Lift High the Cross* arr. C. Hamlin

The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in celebration of Elizabeth Bowman's birthday on March 9th by Phil Coons.

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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

John Drake

Liturgist

Amy Sell

Minister of Discipleship &

Formation

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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