

# 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 \_\_\_\_\_

Please tear here.

# Sundays at North

## Sunday Morning Hospitality

All are welcome

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

## 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 202
- Amazing Grace: Room 106
- Building Strong Foundations: Room 006
- Contemporary Biblical Forum: Game Room
- New Corinthians: Parlor
- Power and Light: Room 205
- Sojourners: Room 005
- Usual Suspects: Club Room
- Young Adults: Room 004

### Children Sunday School

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

# The Happenings

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

- **April 24: Creation Care Sunday**
  - **9:45am: "The Bible and the Earth"**—Fellowship Hall; Presented by Marti J. Steussy, Professor of Biblical Interpretation at CTS
  - **5:00pm: Taize Worship Service** - Chapel
  - **5:30pm: Dinner with the Youth** – Dinner served by Green Team (RSVP to Anne Brock at abrock@northchurchindy.com)
  - **6:00pm: Forum for Understanding: Environmental Issues & Land Development** – Fellowship Hall; all are welcome
- **April 27:**
  - **Mid-North Shepherd's Center** – 10:00am: Care of Aging Pets (Dr. Sue Bartz); 11:00am: The Islamic State/The Rise of ISIS (Dr. Douglas Woodwell)
  - **North Church Board Meeting** – Any questions in advance of the meeting should be directed to Mark Grove at (317) 291-8759
- **Sundays Throughout April: ASP Supply Sales** - West Entry; sponsor an aspect of ASP to offset costs for necessary items
- **May 1: Contemporary Biblical Forum** – 9:45am, Game Room; Dr. Edward Curtis IV, professor of Religious Studies at IUPUI, will discuss "The Christian Theology of the BDS Movement" (Boycott, Divestment, & Sanctions); all are welcome
- **May 3: Wellness @ North – Taking Care of Your Temple: Drum Circle with Lisa Colleen:** 6:30-8:30pm, Room 202; requires no prior musical experience, just an openness to learn more about how music might just be the universal language; register via the Connect Card
- **May 6: Items Needed for IPS 43 Appreciation Luncheon** - Volunteers are needed and donations of large salads, desserts, door prizes, money or gift cards of any amount are also needed; contact Kathy Beck at (317) 251-9143 to donate or volunteer
- **May 8: Drain the Moat! A Mother's Day Musical presented by the Choristers & Carolers choirs;** 9:45am, Fellowship Hall; angered by water spots & wrinkled skin after a long bath, the selfish princess bans water from the kingdom; all are welcome
- **May 15:**
  - **Sunrise Mass** – 8:30am & 11:00am; A spiritual work by Ola Gjeilo which uses liturgical text & string orchestra
  - **"Flight From Syria"** – 9:45am, Fellowship Hall; Syrian refugees will share their stories, provide background information on the humanitarian crisis and ask the community to support refugee food assistance; hosted by Sojourners, Contemporary Bible Forum, and Affirming Group
- **May 20: Family Game Night** – 5:00-8:00pm, Fellowship Hall; bring your favorite games to share and have fun with the whole church family; eat pizza, snacks and dessert; register by May 15 to the Hospitality Desk; cost is \$10/family



## April 24, 2016

PRELUDE *All Creatures of Our God and King* arr. R. Groom te Velde

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Darren Cushman Wood

SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY Green Team

\*PASSING THE PEACE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: New every morning is the delight of the Creator.

**People: Praise for the singing, praise for the morning!**

Leader: New every morning is the harmony of the Word.

**People: Praise for the sweetness, praise for the morning!**

Leader: New every morning is the life of the Spirit.

**People: Praise for our Maker, praise for this new day!**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #145 *Morning Has Broken*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Allison Galloway

FIRST LESSON Revelation 21:1-6 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 244

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


**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *Saul* E. Hovland  
Mark Goetzinger, narrator

And on that day a great persecution arose against the church in Jerusalem; and they were all scattered throughout the region of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles, devout men buried Stephen, and made great lamentation over him. But Saul laid waste the church, and entering house after house, he dragged off men and women and committed them to prison. Now those who were scattered went about preaching the word. Unclean spirits came out of many who were possessed, crying with a loud voice; and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed. Saul breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues of Damascus. So that if any be found belonging to the WAY, men and women, he might bring them bound in chains back to Jerusalem. Now as he journeyed he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed about him. And he fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him: Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?

\*Please stand as you are able.

\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #861 Psalm 148 *w/musical response*

 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 #122 *God of the Sparrow* v.1-3

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Darren Cushman Wood  
Leader: Lord, in your mercy . . .  
**People: Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal pg. 895

HYMN OF PRAYER #122 *God of the Sparrow* v.6

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *For the Beauty of the Earth* J. Rutter  
For the beauty of the earth; for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends of earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n: Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

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

\*GOSPEL LESSON John 13:34-35 Pew Bible, NT, pg.102  
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Homo Liturgicus* Darren Cushman Wood

HYMN #147 *All Things Bright and Beautiful* v.1 & 4

A PRAYER IN UNION WITH CREATION Green Team  
(taken from Laudato Si', Pope Francis)

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we pray for the world: Christ has risen. Death has been swallowed up in victory.

**People: Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.**

Leader: Therefore, let us pray for unity with all creation:  
Father, we praise you with all your creatures.  
They came forth from your all-powerful hand;  
they are yours,  
filled with your presence and your tender love.

**People: Praise be to you!**

Leader: Son of God, Jesus,

through you all things were made.

You were formed in the womb of Mary our Mother,  
you became part of this earth,  
and you gazed upon this world with human eyes.  
Today you are alive in every creature in your risen glory.

**People: Praise be to you!**

Leader: Holy Spirit, by your light  
you guide this world towards the Father's love  
and accompany creation as it groans in travail.  
You also dwell in our hearts  
and you inspire us to do what is good.

**People: Praise be to you!**

Leader: Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love,  
teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe,  
for all things speak of you.

**People: Awaken our praise and thankfulness for every being that you have made. Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined to everything that is.**

Leader: God of love, show us our place in this world  
as channels of your love  
for all creatures of this earth,  
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.  
Enlighten those who possess power and money  
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,  
that they may love the common good, advance the weak,  
and care for this world in which we live.

**People: The poor and the earth are crying out.**

Leader: O Lord, seize us with your power and light,  
help us to protect all life,  
to prepare for a better future,  
for the coming of your Kingdom  
of justice, peace, love and beauty.

**People: Praise be to you! Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN #150 *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens*

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Jesus Is Lord* arr. M. Corl

*The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in honor of Dotti Gerner's birthday on April 25th by Paul McClure.*

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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*  
Allison Galloway  
*Liturgist*  
Mark Gilgallon  
*Director of Music*  
Heather Hinton  
*Organist*

## Connect Card

*Please place completed form in offering plate*

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### Event Sign Ups

- May 3: Taking Care of Your Temple – Drum Circle

### Upcoming Special Music Presentation

**June 12 at 11:00am**  
**Carrie Newcomer**  
**with Pianist Gary Walters**

Described as a "soaring songstress" by Billboard, and a "prairie mystic" by the Boston Globe, North Church will host special guest Carrie Newcomer with pianist Gary Walters.