

Connect Card

Please place completed form 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 _____

Please tear here.

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

- On Being: Club Room
- Affirming Group: Room 202
- Sojourners: Room 005
- Usual Suspects: Room 004
- Amazing Grace: Conference Room
- Power & Light: Room 205

Children Sunday School

- Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102
- Kindergarten – 101
- 1st & 2nd Grade – 104
- 3rd Grade – 204
- 4th & 5th 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 Fall Book

- **September 17: Fall Festival featuring Hymn Sing** – 5:30-7:30pm, Fellowship Hall; sing your favorite hymns over a chili cookoff (bring a pot of chili to participate); or bring a side or dessert to share; games & crafts too; in lieu of Youth Group, please attend the Fall Festival
- **September 20: Mid-North Shepherd's Center** – 10am: Montessori School 87; 11am: The Integrity of our Media Reporting System
- **September 20: The Fundamentals of Estate Planning in Indiana** – 6pm, Parlor; Taft attorney Jessica M. Olimb will give an overview of common estate planning documents, why estate planning is important, and more
- **September 21: Farmers Market** – 4-6:30pm, Parking Lot
- **September 22: City-Wide Taize Service** – 7pm, Sweeney Chapel at CTS
- **September 23: Special Needs Ministry's Parents' Night Out** – 3-7pm, Fellowship Hall; open to families with kiddos with special needs, age birth-6th grade & their siblings; sign up via the Connect Card
- **September 24:**
 - **Health & Healing Sunday** – Anointing & laying on of hands in worship
 - **Land Development- Overview of Design & Decision-Making Process:** After 2nd service, Fellowship Hall; same presentation offered on 9/26 at 6pm
 - **ELEVATION-** 4-6pm, Room 203; 4th-6th graders welcome
 - **The S Word Movie** – POSTPONED
 - **Taize Worship Service** – 5pm, Chapel
 - **Youth Group** – 5:30-7:30pm, Room 008
 - **Through October 1 – Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN)** - Sign up via the Connect Card to learn about different volunteer opportunities to support local families in housing transition as they stay at North
- **September 27: UMW- Women of Lydia** - 7pm, Club Room
- **September 27: North Church Board Meeting** – 5:30pm, Parlor
- **September 28: UMW- Miriam Circle** – 12pm, Parlor
- **September 30: Servant Day** – See info box on other side of bulletin
- **October 1: World Communion Sunday** – Celebrate diversity of North's congregation & our spiritual connection with churches around the world
- **October 7: Creation Care Conference** – 8:30am-3pm; An all-day Environmental Holiness conference sponsored by North Church Green Team & the Creation Care Alliance of the UMC-IN; speakers include Rev. Katie Dawson (Immanuel UMC in Des Moines), Dr. Timothy Eberhart (Assistant Prof. of Theology & Ecology, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary & Methodist Theological School in Ohio) & Dr. Tim Van Meter (Assoc. Prof. of Practical Theology & Youth Ministry, Methodist Theological School of Ohio); register for the event at inumc.org/creationcare
- **October 8: Pet Blessing & Ice Cream Social** - 4-6:30pm, Courtyard; bring your small & large pets for a special blessing; enjoy ice cream & pet treats over music & special guests; bring cat or dog food to be donated
- **October 13: Movie & Pizza Night** – 5-8pm, Fellowship Hall; A fun night of *Moana*, pizza, drinks & popcorn; dress comfortably (PJs are welcome) and feel free to bring something comfy to sit on; register via the Connect Card



September 17, 2017 15th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE *Grand Choeur* D. Janzer
(The Prelude begins our worship service. You are encouraged to enter into a time of prayer, actively opening your spirit to God's presence in our midst.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Ronnie Bell

SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY SEASON OF SERVICE Worship & the Arts

*PASSING THE PEACE

*CALL TO WORSHIP
 Leader: The Living Lord is here
 and will make fountains in the valleys,
 rivers in the deserts, and pools in the wilderness.
People: We will sing and celebrate God's redeeming love.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #400 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Mary McDonald

FIRST LESSON *Philippians 1:1-6* Pew Bible, NT, pg. 185
 Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Praise the Lord, Our God, Forever* W.A. Mozart
 Chancel Quartet/Cathedral Singers

Praise the Lord, our God, forever.
 Let us rejoice with heart and voice, and sing God's praise forevermore.
 The Lord in Zion ever reigns and o'er the land his rule he does maintain.
 O praise, with joy let all our alleluias ring.

**Please stand as you are able.*

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #809 Psalm 90 *w/ musical response*
11:00 a.m. As the Canticle of Praise begins, Kindergarten – 3rd grade are invited to Alternative Worship; please follow the banner leader.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

HYMN OF PRAYER #2013 *Bless the Lord*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: God, in your mercy . . .

People: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal pg. 895

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Sometimes a Light Surprises* C. Courtney
Chancel Quartet

Sometimes a light surprises the Christian while she sings; It is the Lord who rises with healing in His wings: When comforts are declining, He grants the soul again a season of clear shining, to cheer it after rain.

In holy contemplation we sweetly then pursue the theme of God's salvation, and find it ever new; Set free from present sorrow, we cheerfully can say, let the unknown tomorrow bring with it what it may.

It can bring with it nothing but He will bear us through: who gives the lilies clothing will clothe His people too: Beneath the spreading heavens no creature but is fed; and He who feeds the ravens will give His children bread.

Though vine nor fig tree neither their wanted fruit should bear, though all the fields should wither, nor flocks nor herds be there; Yet, God the same abiding, His praise shall tune my voice; For, while in Him confiding, I cannot but rejoice.

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

SECOND LESSON Numbers 27:15-23 Pew Bible, OT, pg. 141

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Questionable Relationships" Sermon Series:
Whom Should I Bless? Darren Cushman Wood

*CLOSING HYMN #664 *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Leader: Go forth to be a blessing to others in all you do and say, touching all with God's grace.

And now may God bless and protect

**People: our children and grandchildren,
our nieces and nephews,
our students and neighbors.**

Leader: May God smile on the neglected.

People: May God be graceful with the injured.

Leader: May God show favor to the rejected.

People: May God give us peace.

Leader: May the Lord bless you and keep you,
may the Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you,
may the Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.

People: Amen.

CHORAL BENEDICTION (11:00) *Blessing* G. Custer

Dona nobis pacem. (Give us peace).

May you walk forever in the light.

May you find safe shelter in the storm.

May your life be long beneath the shining sun.

May you rest when day is done.

May your dreams be stronger than your fears.

May your joys last longer than your tears.

May your hearts know kindness that true welcome brings.

May your winters turn to spring, and may the love of Christ give you peace.

POSTLUDE *Toccata Festiva* F. Ashdown

*The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and
in celebration of daily kindnesses of seen and unseen Guardian Angels
by Jacqueline Blackwell.*

Servant Day: September 30, 8:30am-1pm

Connect with neighbors & serve the community! Breakfast & short blessing at North Church at 8:30am then head to a service site for a variety of projects from 9:30am-12:30pm. Sites include Lucille Raines Residence, School 43, Vida Nueva UMC & Mid-North Food Pantry. All ages welcome! Sign up via the Connect Card.

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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

Mary McDonald

Liturgist

Mark Gilgallon

Director of Music

Heather Hinton

Organist

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Event Sign Ups

- September 23: Special Needs Ministry's Parents' Night Out
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- September 24-October 1: I'd like to learn more about volunteering for IHN
- September 30: Servant Day
 - # of adults: ____
 - # of children: ____
- October 13: Movie & Pizza Night
 - # of children: ____
- Interested in:
 - Being a Liturgist
 - Serving Communion
 - Accompanist for Choristers