

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
- Music Ministries
- Outreach and Missions
- Care and Nurture Ministries
- Hospitality Ministries
- Green Team
- Reconciling Ministries
- United Methodist Women
- Justice and Advocacy

Other/Comments

Sundays at North

Sunday Morning Hospitality

All are welcome

in the Community Room

- 8:30-10:15 a.m.
- Following 11 a.m. service

Child Care During Worship

Provided for infants-4 year olds

during both worship services and

Sunday school

- Infant/Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102

Sunday School (9:45-10:45):

Adult Sunday School

- Affirming Group: Room 202
- Sojourners: Room 005
- Power and Light: Room 205
- Young Adults: Room 009

Children Sunday School

- Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102
- K – 1st grade: Room 101
- 2nd – 3rd grade: Room 104
- 4th – 5th grade: Room 203

Youth Sunday School

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

Music

(Following 11 a.m. service)

- Joyful Noise: Room 101
- Carolers: Conference Room
- Choristers: Room 004
- Cathedral Ringers: Room 007

Happenings

Today:

- Finance and Stewardship Forum, 9:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall.
- Deadline to sign up for Youth Lenten Retreat.
- Name badges may be ordered after both worship services at a table in the west entry. Please inquire about the different options available and make your \$8.50 payment per badge at the time of order.
- ELEVATION (third-fifth grade), 4-6 p.m., Room 203.
- Youth Group (sixth-12th grade), 4-6 p.m., Room 008.

Mondays: Yoga class, 9:30-10:45 a.m., \$10, Game Room.

Wednesdays through April 8: Weekly Communion during Lent, 7:30 a.m., Chapel.

Wednesdays through April 22: Covenant Bible Study, 5:30-8 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

Wednesdays March 11-April 22: Gospel of John Bible Study, 5:30-8 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

March 13-14: Youth Group Lenten Retreat (sixth-12th grade), 6 p.m. Friday to 6 p.m. Saturday, Room 008. (Today is the last day to sign up.)

March 15:

- Healing Service, 5 p.m., Chapel.
- East Tenth UMC Community Dinner, 5 p.m.

March 15-22: North hosts Interfaith Hospitality Network families, lower level. Many volunteers needed; please contact Lydia Shaw at enrshaw@gmail.com or sign up at table in west entry.

March 19: Chronic pain support group, 5:45-7 p.m., Conference Room.

March 22:

- ELEVATION (third-fifth grade), 4-6 p.m., Room 203.
- Youth Group (sixth-12th grade), 4-6 p.m., Room 008.
- Taizé Service, 5 p.m., Chapel.

March 24: Women of Lydia Circle meeting, 7 p.m., Club Room.

March 26: Miriam Circle meeting, noon, Parlor.

March 29: Youth Group (sixth-12th grade), 4-6 p.m., Room 008.

March 31: Spring Break Fun Day, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., education wing.

April 2: Chronic pain support group, 5:45-7 p.m., Conference Room.

April 4:

- Clean up church grounds organized by the Sojourners class; please meet at the hospitality desk at 9 a.m.
- Easter Egg Hunt, 10 a.m., parking lot.

April 5:

- Palm Sunday; community parade gathers at 10:25 a.m. by the Peace Pole. Worship services are 8:30 and 11 a.m. as usual.
- Youth Group (sixth-12th grade), 4-6 p.m., Room 008.
- East Tenth UMC Community Dinner, 5 p.m.

April 9: Holy Thursday service, 7 p.m., Chapel and Courtyard. Special music by the Chancel Quartet and the Cathedral Ringers.



March 8, 2020

PRELUDE *Marching to Zion* arr. J. Spong

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Diane Gattone

*PASSING THE PEACE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O Holy Spirit, Root of Life

People: cleanse our hearts and heal our wounds.

Leader: Eternal Vigor, Saving One

People: free our lives and restore our spirits.

Leader: O Holy Wisdom, Soaring Power

People: encompass us and carry us through this life.

*OPENING HYMN #2121 *O Holy Spirit, Root of Life*

CAROLERS' ANTHEM (11) *Oh, Happy Day* arr. R. Emerson
Mylah King, soloist; Jim Caraher, piano; Denise Caraher, director

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON Titus 3:3-7 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 203

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

People: Thanks be to God.

**Please stand as you are able.*

ANTHEM *God Thou Art Love* C. Courtney
Text by Robert Browning

If I forget, yet God remembers. If these hands of mine cease from their clinging,
yet the hands divine hold me so firmly I cannot fall.
And if sometimes I am too tired to call for God to help me,
then he reads the prayer unspoken in my heart and lifts my care.
I dare not fear since certainly I know that I am in God's keeping, shielded so,
from all that else would harm, and in the hour of stern temptation,
strengthened by his power.
I tread no path in life to him unknown; I lift no burden, bear no pain, alone;
my soul a calm, sure hiding-place has found: the everlasting arms my life surround.
God, Thou art love! I build my faith on that. I know Thee who hast kept my path.
And made light for me in the darkness, tempering sorrow so that it reached me like
a solemn joy. It were to strange that I should doubt Thy love.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #785 Psalm 51:1-17 Tiffany Williams-Fashimpaur

INVITATION TO PRAYER

HYMN OF PRAYER #389 *Freely, Freely* v. 1

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: The Gentle Savior is here and is listening for our cry.
With honest and humble hearts, let us confess our sins:

**People: Forgive us, Lord Jesus, for
our stubborn resistance that scoffs at your way,
our comfortable arrogance that rejects your truth,
and our lazy faith that avoids your life.**

[silent prayer]

Leader: Touch our souls and trouble our hearts
until we are made new in the Spirit.

People: Amen.

Leader: God makes no bargains.
God cuts no deals.
But God always offers the gift of new life in Christ.
In the name of Jesus, our sins are forgiven,
and we can begin anew.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.


PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: God, in your mercy . . .

People: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

HYMN OF PRAYER #389 *Freely, Freely* v. 2

 11:00 a.m. As the Hymn of Prayer continues, Kindergarten – 2nd graders are invited
to Alternative Worship in Room 104; please follow the banner leader.

OFFERTORY PRAYER Diane Gattone

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Ubi Caritas Pastoralis* C. Courtney
Jim Caraher, clarinet

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Where charity and love are, God is there. Let us gather as one in Christ's love.
Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Let us rejoice, and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and love the living God.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
And let us love each other with a sincere heart.

*LENTEN DOXOLOGY

***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.***

*GOSPEL LESSON John 3:1-10 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 88
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Essential Question #2:* Darren Cushman Wood
Do You Need a New Start?

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #2046 *Womb of Life*

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Forty Days and Forty Nights* arr. C. Tambling
*(The Postlude is the final Amen to our worship service. You are invited to be seated to enjoy
this musical offering given to God and to you. If you must depart, please depart in silence.)*

*The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and
in appreciation of the current and former pastors of North Church
by Don and Gail Nelson.*

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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, child care is available for infants-4 year olds in rooms on the main floor. Worship bags and children's bulletins are available for all kids in the east entry.

This week's worship leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood
Senior Pastor
Diane Gattone
Pastor of Care & Nurture
Tiffany Williams-Fashimpaur
Pastor of Mission & Outreach
Mark Gilgallon
Director of Music
Heather Hinton
Organist

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*Please place completed form
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Name: _____

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Sign Ups

- Youth Lenten Retreat (March 13 -14, Fri-Sat)
____ # adult volunteers
____ #students (grade 6-12)
- Spring Break Family Fun Day (March 31)
- Gospel of John Bible Study
- I would like to help with the Interfaith Hospitality Group visit
- Support group for families and friends of those living with chronic pain
- I would like to serve communion
- I would like to be a reader in worship