



October 25, 2026
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Stewardship Sunday

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORDS OF WELCOME

8:30 Robin Reagan; 11:00 Ellen Rogers

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE *Te Deum, Prelude, H. 146* M. Charpentier
North UMC Orchestra

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise God and our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: We will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving.

Leader: God has given us every spiritual blessing and Christ has made us rich in grace.

People: We will make our vows to the Lord in the presence of all God's people.

*OPENING HYMN #79 *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* v. 1-3

OPENING PRAYER

**Generous God,
who gives life to all creatures,
and new life through the grace of Jesus Christ,
fill us with your Spirit,
that we may celebrate your goodness
and share your love with the world. Amen.**

ANTHEM *Ye Servants of God* arr. A. L. Page
North Winds, Cathedral Ringers,
Choristers, Cathedral Singers

Choristers:

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad God's wonderful name;
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol;
God's kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

Cathedral Singers:

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and the Lord is nigh, God's presence we have;
the great congregation God's triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

**Standing as you are able and comfortable.*

Alleluia, alleluia! We serve the living King!

Choristers, Cathedral Singers, & Congregation:

Now let us adore and give Christ God's right:
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,
all honor and blessing with angels above
and thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

Alleluia, alleluia! We serve the living King! Amen!

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #837

Psalm 116

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Numbers 18:28-29

²⁸ In this way you will present an offering to the Lord as the other Israelites do. When you receive a tenth from the Israelites, you will give a tenth of that to Aaron, the priest, as the Lord's share. ²⁹ Choose the best and holiest part from what you are given as the portion you must give to the Lord.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PRAYER #87

What Gift Can We Bring

v. 1

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jill Moffett

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

MUSICAL RESPONSE #389

Freely, Freely

He said, "Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give.

Go in my name, and because you believe, others will know that I live."

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Cantata, BWV 29

J. S. Bach

II. Chorus, "We thank Thee, Lord God, we thank Thee"

VIII. Chorale, "Be glory, praise and honor"

Cathedral Singers; North UMC Orchestra

II. Chorus

We thank Thee, Lord God, we thank Thee, Lord,
and we marvel at all Thy wonders

VIII. Chorale

Be glory, praise and honor to all the Holy Trinity!
In faith will God uphold us, for as God promised, must it be:
that we may trust God wholly, to God control resign,
rely on God solely, with heart and with will and mind
hold fast to God forever; so sing we all today:
Amen! for this is our portion, that naught can take away.

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 1:3-8a

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. In Christ, God has given us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly world. ⁴ That is, in Christ, God chose us before the world was made so that we would be a holy people—

people without blame before the Lord. ⁵ Because of his love, God had already decided to make us his own children through Jesus Christ. That was what God wanted and what pleased God, ⁶ and it brings praise to God because of this wonderful grace. God gave that grace to us freely, in Christ, the Beloved One. ⁷ In Christ we are set free by the blood of his death, and so we have forgiveness of sins. How rich is God's grace, ⁸ which God has lavished on us.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Te Deum

Allegro moderato, maestoso
(in Latin)

A. Dvořák

Cathedral Singers
North UMC Orchestra

We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee: the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud: the Heavens, and all the Powers therein.
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim: continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth.

SERMON *Freely Given. Faithfully Shared.* Darren Cushman Wood

PRESENTATION OF PLEDGES

(As we sing, you may bring your pledge cards and place them in the offering baskets.)

#389 *Freely, Freely*

#87 *What Gift Can We Bring* v. 2-3

DEDICATION OF PLEDGES

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray:

Weaver of life, Painter of dreams,
we marvel at your generous love.

**People: From our first cry to our final breath,
our lives are a gift from you,
our salvation is your delight.**

Leader: Thank you for the loving and the leading
you have freely given us in Jesus Christ.

People: With grateful hearts, O God, we bring these gifts to you.

Leader: Send your Spirit to consecrate them for your service
and make us faithful stewards of your blessings.

**People: Continue to send your Spirit into our hearts
until we surrender
all that we love and all that we fear
to your greater hope,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #87 *What Gift Can We Bring* v. 4

*THE BLESSING

Connect Card

Welcome! Whether you are a visitor or a member, you can always learn more about North Church. Let us know how we can help you.

- ☐ I am a visitor.
- ☐ I am interested in becoming a member.
- ☐ I need to update my contact information.
- ☐ 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
- ☐ Short Term Studies
- ☐ Music Ministries
- ☐ Outreach and Missions
- ☐ Care and Nurture Ministries
- ☐ Hospitality Ministries
- ☐ Green Team
- ☐ LGBTQ+ Ministries
- ☐ United Women in Faith
- ☐ Justice & Advocacy

Other/Comments

Today's worship Leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood
Senior Pastor
Jill Moffett
Pastor of Community Formation
Brandon Wallace
Minister of Christian Education
Theo Hicks
Director of Music
Heather Hinton
Organist
Eric Russell
James Horton
Audio Visual

Sundays at North

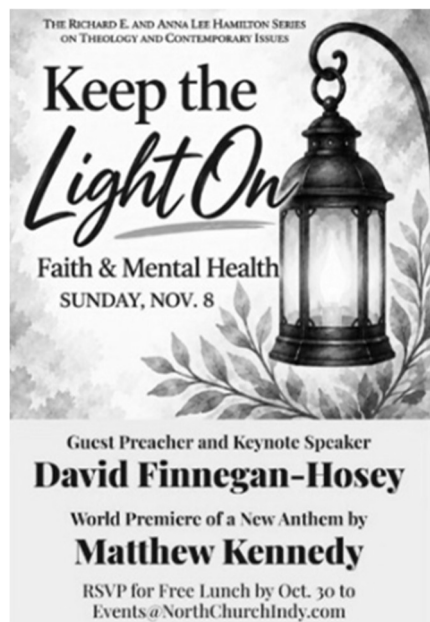
Child Care Available in Rm 102
from 8:15am to 12:15pm

Children K-5th grade: Rm 104
Youth 6th-12th grade: Rm 007

Adult Sunday School Classes
Sojourners: Rm 005
Sophia Class: Rm 205

Sign-ups

___ 8:30 Service Ushering
___ Stop the Bleed Training
___ Hamilton Series Lunch



MUSICAL BENEDICTION

Te Deum

A. Dvořák

II. Allegro moderato, maestoso

Cathedral Singers

Cathedral Ringers, North UMC Orchestra

The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy Esterline and Janet Esterline Yosha from their family. The flowers in the West Entrance this week are given to celebrate Sarah Ellen Mamlin's 90th birthday on October 26th, given in love by her grateful and proud family.

Upcoming Events:

Revelation Uncovered: A Bible Study of the Book of Revelation
Wednesdays through October 28, 6:30 – 8:00pm, Conference Room

Trunk or Treat, Today, 4:00-6:00pm

North's charge conference, November 4, 6:00pm at Southport UMC

Stop the Bleed Training, November 11, 6:00pm, Club Room
RSVP required (max. 10 participants)

Featured Musicians

Cathedral Singers

Dr. Theodore Hicks, Director of Music & conductor
Dr. Heather Hinton, organ & piano

Cathedral Ringers

Kelley & Jeff Warbinton, directors

North Winds

John Hague, director

Choristers

Rosie Jordan, director; Eric Applegate, piano

North UMC Orchestra

Violin: Phil Palermo, Noelle Tretick Gosling, Gert Kumi, Laura Cummings

Viola: Mark Schuster

Cello: Kurt Fowler

Bass: Nicolas Orrego

Oboe: Leonid Sirotkin

Bassoon: Emily Smith

French Horn: Suzanne Rice

Trumpet: Daniel Golando, Mark Murray, Brian Hoover

Trombone: Chris Van Hof

Timpani & Percussion: David Robbins

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