

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

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

The Happenings

Details can be found in the weekly eNews, social media, bulletin boards or the Spring Book

- **March 19: Justice & Advocacy Meeting** – 12pm; Club Room
- **March 22:**
 - **Mid-North Shepherd's Center** – 10am: Luis Tulido Performing; 11am: Music for the Presidents: Word & Music
 - **North Church Board Meeting** – 5:30pm, Parlor
 - **UMW: Women of Lydia** – 7pm, Club Room
 - **Wednesdays Through May 10: Seeing the Cross: New Testament Interpretations of Jesus' Death** – 7-8:30pm; Led by Pastor Darren, explore different perspectives of the cross through the New Testament in this 7-part study; sign up via Connect Card
- **March 23: UMW: Miriam Circle** – 12pm Parlor
- **March 25: Earth Hour** – 6-8pm, Fellowship Hall; Hosted by Green Team & Children's Ministry; spend an hour unplugged with no electricity; storytelling, games & music; sign up via Connect Card
- **March 26:**
 - **ELEVATION** – 4-6pm, Room 203
 - **Youth Group** – 5pm, Room 008
 - **Taize Worship Service** – 5pm, Chapel
- **Sundays: The Affirming Group: A Study on Family** – 9:45am, Room 202; Mar. 26 will focus on blended families; contact Don Childers (donsuechilders@yahoo.com) for info
- **Wednesdays Through April 12: Weekly Communion During Lent** – 7:30am, Chapel; receive communion during this short worship service (15-20 mins- no sermon)
- **April 9: Palm to Passion Sunday & Parade** – 9:45am; This year's Palm Sunday begins with a parade, including a donkey, through the neighborhood during the Sunday School hour
- **April 13: Holy Thursday** – 12pm & 7pm, Chapel; The noon service will be a traditional foot washing observance and in the evening we will experience the Last Supper with music, prayers and readings
- **April 14:**
 - **Community Good Friday** – 12pm, Chapel; North will host this annual service of intercessory prayers for our community, nation and the world
 - **Requiem by Mack Wilberg** – 7pm, Sanctuary; Written for chorus, baritone, soprano and string orchestra with horns, flutes and harp, don't miss this free musical experience to commemorate Good Friday
- **April 15: Easter Egg Hunt** – 10am; Children & Families and Mission & Outreach Ministries will offer a free Easter egg hunt for the kids and families of the congregation and neighborhood
- **April 16: Easter Sunday** – At 8:30am, we will have Holy Communion; at 11am, the Carolers & Cathedral Singers will share special music
- **April 21: Family Game Night** – 5-8pm, Club & Game Rooms; Bring your favorite games to share & have fun with the whole church; dinner & dessert will be served; sign up via the Connect Card



March 19, 2017

BANNER MEDITATION

Gentle, Quiet Spirit

This banner is dominated by a large bird that is superimposed over the Latin cross. It reminds us of faithful souls both present and past. The words a gentle, quiet spirit is precious to God reminds us that God comes to us in many ways. Let's open ourselves to the call of the spirit that we may hear and see God in our lives.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Darren Cushman Wood

*PASSING THE PEACE

PRELUDE

My Song Is Love Unknown

arr. K. Osterland

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Abandon your guilt,
surrender your shame
and leave your sins behind:
In the name of the Savior,
welcome to the house of grace!

People: Amazing love!

How can it be that my God should die for me?

*OPENING HYMN #363

And Can It Be that I Should Gain

**Please stand as you are able.*


CHORISTERS' ANTHEM (11am) *We Walk By Faith* arr. M. McDonald
Boston Cahoon, soloist; Lisa Hamilton, piano;
Kathy Schilling, violin; Rosie Jordan, director

We walk by faith and not by sight, although we were not there to hear the words Christ spoke as no one ever spoke, we still believe that He is near.
We cannot touch His hands and side, nor follow where our Master trod, but still, by faith, in His promise we rejoice, and still proclaim, "My Lord and God!"
Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith renewed abound that we may call on You and know that You are near, and ever seek where You are found.
Thus, when our life of faith is done, in realms of clear and perfect light we may behold our Savior face to face and know in full with endless sight.
We walk by faith. We walk by faith until that day when faith shall be made sight.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Charlotte Galloway

FIRST LESSON Ephesians 2:11-17 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 181
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Surely He hath Borne Our Grievs* E. Copley
Surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows.
He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities,
the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and with his stripes we are healed.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #785 Psalm 51:1-17 Ronnie Bell
 11:00 a.m. As the Canticle of Praise begins, Kindergarten – 2nd grade are invited to Alternative Worship; please follow the banner leader.

HYMN OF PRAYER #297 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* v.1-2

PRAYER OF CONFESSION #893



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
Leader: God, in your mercy . . .
People: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal pg. 895

HYMN OF PRAYER #297 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* v.3

MOMENT OF GRATITUDE Nicci George, Chair of Care & Nurture

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Mercy* C. Courtney
I dare not lift my guilty eyes. I hide my lips in trembling shame. And in the darkness of my soul, I shrink from Your rekindling flame. Kyrie eleison, have mercy.
In mercy cover me with grace and blot out my iniquity. Renew my heart and wash me clean; grant with Your pardon, purity. Kyrie eleison, have mercy.
In equal measure of Your love, You promise mercy, tender compassion to the one who seeks your face. A broken heart, a fainting soul, a contrite spirit, together cry for Your forgiveness and Your grace. Against You only have I sinned. My deeds are evil in Your sight. Of Your forgiveness let me sing, and in my singing take delight.
Kyrie eleison, have mercy.

*DOXOLOGY #95
***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.***

SECOND LESSON Romans 5:1-2, 6-11 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 145
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.

SERMON *Reclaiming the Cross, Part 3: An Unexpected Peace* Darren Cushman Wood

*CLOSING HYMN #298 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Take Up Thy Cross, the Savior Said* arr. B. Solomons

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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
Charlotte Galloway
Liturgist
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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