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**OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:**  
Monday through Friday  
9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Thank you to those serving in our worship.

Officiant & Preacher: José González  
Scripture Reader: Olga Vasquez  
Pianist: Vera Vasilenko  
Worship Team: Rachel Johnson,  
Mary Lynn Dornfeld  
Greeter: Betty Olson  
Usher: Grant Erickson  
A/V Slides: Charlie Poterek  
Communion Servers: Herbert Schonken,  
Selma Bucher, Betty Olson

***We exist to glorify God***  
***-Father, Son and Holy Spirit -***  
***-By becoming mature disciples of***  
***Jesus Christ***  
***-And inviting others to join us.***



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**Northbrook Covenant Church**  
**February 1, 2026**

# Celebration of Worship

# Sermon Notes

## Gathering Song

*"Great is the Lord"*

*CHW #5*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship

*Written by Beth Merrill Neel*

*Blog: Hold Fast to What is Good. Used with permission*

## Praise & Worship

*"Open the Eyes of my Heart"*

*"Meekness and Majesty"*

*CHW #312*

### Passing of the Peace

*L: The Peace of Christ be with you!*

*C: And also with you!*

## Prayer

### Mutual Blessing \*

*L: The Lord be with you!*

*C: And also with you!*

## Scripture

Olga Vasquez

*Matthew 5:1-12*

## Sermon

José González

*"Blessed..."*

## Song of Response

*"Wonderful Words of Life"*

*CHW #525*

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

## Sending Song

*"The Benediction"*

## Benediction

\*Following the blessing, children aged preschool through 5th grade are invited to Sunday School.

**Adult Sunday School, now Faith Life, meets from 9:15 - 10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall.** Our study will be from "The Bible Project" using short videos and discussion format led by members of the class. We look forward to seeing you there! Questions may be directed to Debbie Poterek or Olga Vasquez.

**Monthly Midweek Ministry—** All ages are welcome for this special gathering of neighboring Covenant churches for a night of fellowship, food, and faith. Hosted at Libertyville Covenant Church 5:30-7:30 pm. February's meeting is Wednesday, **February 25th**

**Annual Meeting Today** Please remain after service for our voter meeting. It is a meeting to review the ministries of NECC in 2025, vote on a budget for 2026, and vote on Leadership Team and committee members. It is important for voting members to be present at this meeting. Please plan to be here.

**Faith Promise Lunch—** Join us Sunday **February 15th** for our Faith Promise Lunch where we review the ministries of the missionaries we support financially and through prayer. It is a time to pledge our commitment and make our Faith Promise for 2026. All are welcome.

**Camp Fundraiser now through Sunday, February 1** -- From now until Sunday, February 1, Northbrook Covenant Youth is collecting orders for church t-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, and tote bags to raise money for our camp aid fund. This supports our kids and families who go to summer camp (like Covenant Harbor and Covenant Point) and is a super important part of our ministry for our youth. We have a goal to raise \$2000 this year! Order forms are on the Welcome Counter in the lobby or talk to Pastor Rachel (youth.northbrookcov@gmail.com).

#### **Welcoming the Stranger, February 10 at 6pm**

Join us as we explore the topic of immigration as we discuss the concluding chapters of *Welcoming the Stranger*.

#### **Cultural Fair February 22nd 2:30-5pm at the YMCA**

Come enjoy the wonderful cultural diversity of our community through food, music, performances, and more. Come say hi to our neighbors and to Pastors Rachel and José at our church's table.

**2026 Church Directory Available for Pickup—** The directory is available for pickup and is located on the Welcome Center. Please take only one copy per household. Additional copies available upon request at the church office.

<b>NORTHBROOK NEWS</b> <b>February 1, 2026</b>		
<b>THIS WEEK</b>		
<b>Today</b> <b>Feb 1</b>	9:15 am 10:30 am  11:45 am	Faith Life (Adult Sunday School) Worship <i>Greeter: Betty Olson</i> <i>Usher: Grant Erickson</i> <i>Reader: Olga Vasquez</i> <i>A/V Slides: Charlie Poterek</i> <i>Communion Servers: Herbert Schonken, Selma Bucher, Betty Olson</i> <i>Counters: Bob Olson &amp; Kris Gallegos</i> <i>Sunday School Volunteers: Rachel Johnson Betty Olson</i> NECC Annual Meeting
<b>Next Sun</b> <b>Feb 8</b>	9:15 am 10:30 am	Faith Life (Adult Sunday School) Worship <i>Greeter: Kristin González</i> <i>Usher: Bob Olson</i> <i>Reader: Bob Olson</i> <i>A/V Slides: Olga Vasquez</i> <i>Counters:</i> <i>Sunday School Volunteers: Rachel Johnson Betty Olson</i>
<b>LOOKING AHEAD</b>		
<b>Feb 9</b>	6 pm	Leadership Team Meeting
<b>Feb 10</b>	2:30/6 pm	CLON Chat/Welcoming the Stranger
<b>Feb 11/25</b>	9:30/6 pm	Journey Together in Faith
<b>Feb 15</b>	11:45 am	Faith Promise Lunch
<b>Feb 22</b>	2:30 pm	Northbrook Cultural Fair
<b>Feb 25</b>	5:30 pm	Monthly Midweek Ministry @Libertyville