

## **Northbrook Covenant Church**

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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: Kris Gallegos

Pianist: Vera Vasilenko

Worship Team: Rachel Johnson,

Mary Lynn Dornfeld

Greeter: Laurie Johnson

Usher: Bob Olson

A/V Slides: Charlie Poterek

*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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**April 12, 2026**

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# Celebration of Worship

# Sermon Notes

## Gathering Song

*“Rise My Soul, the Lord is Risen”*

## Welcome and Announcements

## Call to Worship

*Christ is risen!*

### Alleluia!

*For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again;*

### Death no longer has mastery over him!

*The death he died, he died to sin once and for all;*

### But the life he lives, he lives to God.

*Christ has risen from the dead!*

### Alleluia!

## Praise & Worship

*“I Know that My Redeemer Lives” #242 vs 1,3,4*

*“Cornerstone”*

**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

Kris Gallegos

*Mark 12: 28-34*

## Sermon

José González

*“Plain and Simple: Love God”*

## Sending Song

*“Worthy of Worship” #38*

*“I Love You Lord” (2X)*

## 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.** Questions may be directed to Debbie Poterek or Olga Vasquez.

**Plastic Bag Collection—** Women Ministries is still collecting plastic grocery store bags to cut into “plarn” and make mercy mats for the homeless. They are in the process of learning how to make plarn and crochet the mats. If anyone is interested in helping with this project please contact Bonnie Stephens. Bags can be placed in the designated basket on the Welcome Center. Thank you for your help.

**WM Plant Sale-** Mark your calendars for the annual Women Ministries Plant Sale which will be held Friday May 15th and Saturday May 16th from 9 am—2 pm.

**CLON Chat-** Our next CLON Chat will be on Tuesday April 14th at 2:30 pm at Axelson. Please join us for a time of prayer and fellowship.

**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 on April 22nd from 5:30-7:30 pm.

**Early Worship Service-** Every fourth Sunday of the month, join us for a special 8:30 a.m. worship service. Experience a new rhythm of worship at a new time. This month’s service will be on April 26th.

**Leadership Team Meeting-** Our next scheduled Leadership Team meeting will be held on Tuesday April 28th at 6 p.m.

**Celebrating 50 years of Ordaining Women in the Covenant**

This year marks 50 years since the Covenant officially affirmed ordaining women pastors. Help us celebrate by sharing memories of women pastors who have served our church over the years. Send your stories, memories, and recollections to pastor Jose for us to highlight in future services.

**Low Blond 5K, May 16th 8am at Maple School**

Come bless our community by running, walking, or volunteering for this beloved community event. Proceeds raise money for ALS research through the Les Turner foundation, as well as scholarships for students planning to study applied sciences at the Glenbrook High Schools and District 30 projects. Contact Pastor José if you're interested in participating or helping. More information at [lewblondrun.org](http://lewblondrun.org).

NORTHBROOK NEWS		
April 12, 2026		
THIS WEEK		
<b>Today Apr 12</b>	9:15 am 10:30 am	Faith Life (Adult Sunday School) Worship <i>Greeter: Laurie Johnson</i> <i>Usher: Bob Olson</i> <i>Reader: Kris Gallegos</i> <i>A/V Slides: Charlie Poterek</i> <i>Counters: Bob Olson &amp; Dwight Johnson</i> <i>Sunday School Volunteers: Rachel Johnson</i> <i>Betty Olson</i>
<b>Tues</b>	2:30 pm	CLON Chat @ Axelson
<b>Next Sun Apr 19</b>	9:15 am 10:30 am	Faith Life (Adult Sunday School) Worship <i>Greeter: Jessica Smith</i> <i>Usher: Grant Erickson</i> <i>Reader: David McKee</i> <i>A/V Slides: Kristin Gonzalez</i> <i>Counters: Charlie Poterek &amp; Dwight Johnson</i> <i>Sunday School Volunteers: Rachel Johnson</i> <i>TBD</i>
LOOKING AHEAD		
<b>April 22</b>	5:30 pm	Monthly Midweek Ministry @ Libertyville
<b>April 26</b>	8:30 am	Early Worship Service
<b>April 28</b>	6 pm	Leadership Team Meeting



**Thank you** to all who helped with last Saturday’s Community Easter Egg Hunt. A lot of prep time and assistance were needed to pull off an event like this. What a special way to reach out to our community and spread joy!