

Northbrook Covenant Church

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OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

Monday– Friday

9 am—2 pm

Thank you to those serving in our worship.

Officiant & Preacher: José González

Scripture Reader: Raun Gallegos

Pianist: Vera Vasilenko

Worship Team: Rachel Johnson

Greeter: Kristin Gonzalez

Usher: Laurie Johnson

A/V Slides: Sarah Saisi

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



Northbrook Covenant Church
August 2, 2026

Celebration of Worship

Sermon Notes

Gathering Song *“Let the Nations Be Glad”*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship by Beth Merrill Neel

We come from all walks of life: the rich, the poor; the struggling and the secure.

And God calls us all.

We bring our hearts to this time and place – hearts holding joy and sorrow, questions and wonders.

And God knows us.

We offer what we have to give: our talents and our imperfections, our faith and our doubt, our hope and our hands.

And God loves us. Let us worship God!

Opening Worship

"Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine" CHW #430

"How Good it is to Know the Lord" CHW #486

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 Raun Gallegos

Romans 8:28-39

Sermon José González

"Where is it Written: Everything Happens for a Reason"

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.

Attention Viewers of 1904...

If you watch our service on channel 1904 at Covenant Living, we want to hear from you! Please call the office at 847-272-8270 or email us at northbrook.covenant@gmail.com and let us know you're watching. And thank you for worshipping with us!

Hunger Resource Network, Students Helping Students, 8/23 at Bean Bar

The Hunger Resource Network's (HRN) Students Helping Students campaign assists students and families in need by assembling bags of personal care items to distribute to students in the fall via the schools. This student-led event supplements the groceries provided by HRN's Food Pack program, which our church serves. This year's event is at **Bean Bar, 1901 Cherry Lane, Northbrook, on Sunday, August 23rd from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm.** You can help by 1) stopping by to assemble a bag (It takes less than 10 minutes and the donation is only \$35 per bag). Or 2) making one at home and dropping it off (see Pastor Jose for a list of items). Or 3) Stop by Sunset Foods and donate a pre-packed grocery bag for the same families for \$35. Or 4) you can donate to the campaign at hungerresourcenetwork.org. Contact Pastor José with any questions or for a list of items.

Change to Finances for Women Ministries In order to be consistent with our church's financial policies, there will be a change in how the finances of Women Ministries are handled. Instead of having a separate bank account, the funds for Women Ministries will be kept in the church's bank account. This is consistent with all other ministries and Ministry Teams of the church. The only change for church members is that checks will now be written to **Northbrook Covenant Church** instead of Women Ministries. When writing your check, **please put Women Ministries in the memo line** as this is necessary for the funds to be properly credited. Also, WM can mean either Women Ministries or World Missions. Please be sure to make this clear in the memo section of your check. What will not change is the activities and ministry of Women Ministries. It will continue as in the past. After August 1, please remember to write checks for Women Ministries to Northbrook Covenant Church and indicate Women Ministries in the memo line. Any questions about this change can be directed to Kris Gallegos, Financial Officer or Bob Olson, Financial Secretary. Thank you.

Blessing of the Backpacks on Sunday, August 23 -- All students are invited to bring their backpacks to service to be blessed for the new school year!

Celebrating Our Graduates -- On Sunday, August 16, we will celebrate our recent high school graduate, Jack O'Hara! Bring a card for Jack as we celebrate this huge milestone during our worship and coffee hour.

NORTHBROOK NEWS

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THIS WEEK

Today Aug 2	9:45 am 10:30 am	Congregational Prayer Time Worship Greeter: Kristin Gonzalez Usher: Laurie Johnson Reader: Raun Gallegos A/V Slides: Sarah Saisi Counters: Dwight Johnson & Kris Gallegos Sunday School Volunteers: Rachel Johnson, TBD
Next Sun Aug 9	9:45 am 10:30 am	Congregational Prayer Time Worship Greeter: Beth Olson Usher: Laurie Johnson Reader: Kris Gallegos A/V Slides: Kristin Gonzalez Counters: Kris Gallegos & TBD Sunday School Volunteers: Rachel Johnson, TBD

LOOKING AHEAD

Aug 12	9:30 am	Women Ministries Coffee
Aug 16	11:45 am	Fellowship Meal
Aug 23	9:30 am	HRN Students Helping Students

Back to School-CCO We have purchased back to school items for Cornerstone. This year there are approximately 130 kids who need supplies. We are purchasing quite a few different items so we are asking for financial donations. The cost of what we are supplying is about \$5 per student. There is a School Bus display on the Welcome Center to drop in your donations. Checks should be made out to NECC and Women Ministries/BTS in memo line. Thank you for your support of this ministry.