

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: Kris Gallegos

Pianist: Vera Vasilenko

Worship Team: Bonnie Stephens,

Mary Lynn Dornfeld

Greeter: Beth Olson

Usher: Laurie Johnson

A/V Slides: Kristin Gonzalez

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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 9, 2026

Celebration of Worship

Sermon Notes

Gathering Song

"Come Celebrate the Presence of the Lord" #512

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship by Beth Merrill Neel

Welcome this day to the house of our God.

We are greeted in peace and in love.

Welcome this day to the worship of our Creator.

We worship in hope and with grace.

Welcome this day to our community of faith,

Where we are sisters and brothers in Christ.

Friends, let us worship God.

Opening Worship

"To God be the Glory" CHW #72

"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine" CHW #83

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

Matthew 6:19-24

Sermon

José González

"Where is it Written: Money is the Root of All Evil"

Sending Song

"I'm Gonna Live so God Can Use Me" CHW #628

Benediction

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

Hunger Resource Network, Students Helping Students,

8/23 at Bean Bar This student-led event supplements the groceries provided by HRN's Food Pack program, which our church serves, with care items. 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 of care items for \$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 \$35. 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.

Subversive Witness Group, September 8th, 6pm

How can we use the power we have to make the world better? Join us as we read *Subversive Witness*, by Covenant author Dominique Gilliard. Together the book will take us through stories across scripture to explore how we can view and use our various privileges to bear witness to God's love and move God's kingdom forward. You will need the book to participate, which is available across various online outlets and as a free e-book and audiobook on Hoopla. Contact Pastor José if you are interested.

NORTHBROOK NEWS

August 9, 2026

THIS WEEK

Today 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
Tues	2:30 pm	CLON Chat at Axelson
Wed	9:30 am	Women Ministries Coffee
Wed	6 pm	Leadership Team Meeting
Next Sun Aug 16	9:45 am 10:30 am 11:45 am	Congregational Prayer Time Worship Greeter: Debbie Poterek Usher: Laurie Johnson Reader: Kris Gallegos A/V Slides: Olga Vasquez Counters: Bob Olson & Charlie Poterek Sunday School Volunteers: Rachel Johnson, TBD Fellowship Meal
LOOKING AHEAD		
Aug 16	4:30 pm	Emily Lee Vocal Concert
Aug 23	9:30 am	HRN Students Helping Students

You are cordially invited to attend the farewell concert of Emily Lee, member of Sarang Community Church who will be leaving in the fall to get her doctorate in music. The concert will be held at NECC on **Sunday, August 16th at 4:30 p.m.** in the sanctuary. Don't miss this opportunity to listen to this talented artist.

Many thanks to Bonnie Stephens and Mary Lynn Dornfeld for their many hours of work in planting, maintaining and watering the beautiful flowers at the church entryway and outside flowerbeds.