


The Lord's Day, September 28th, 2025



NORTH CITY

presbyterian church

Sunday School

9:00 am

Morning Worship

10:00 am

For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever.

Romans 11:36

Worshipping God...Living in Community...Serving Our World

Welcome to Worship

In the Name of the Lord

Jesus Christ, we welcome all who sin and need a Savior; all who are spiritually weak and need rest; all who struggle and desire victory; all who are strangers and want fellowship; all who hunger and thirst to know the true God; all who are willing to hear the message of God's transforming grace. Our prayer is that you will experience a genuine sense of God's presence, greatness, and grace as we worship together.

Welcome to our Guests

We are so glad that you have joined us for worship today. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the morning worship service.

The Foundation of our Worship

The Bible, because it is God's Word, is the completely trustworthy foundation and supreme guide and standard for our worship, revealing who God is and what He requires of us. The great confessions and catechisms of the 16th century Reformation are used in our worship as tools that accurately teach, clarify, and summarize the truths of the Bible and link us to the historic Christianity of past generations.

Children's Ministries During Worship

We love and welcome kids at NCPC! We encourage families to worship together. What a great way to train the next generation and build family unity. However, we know that our optional ministries can be a big help for young children and parents. Our Nursery is available for infants and toddlers up to kindergarten. We also offer an area in the Fellowship Hall for nursing mothers and for children (accompanied by a parent) who are unable to sit quietly during the preaching. We encourage parents, and especially fathers, to have a "family huddle" on Sunday afternoons to discuss the sermon and help their children to better understand God's Word.

WORSHIP ON THE LORD'S DAY

Welcome and Announcements

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship: Psalm 116:1-7

I love the LORD, because He has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.

² Because He inclined His ear to me therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.

³ The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish. ⁴ Then I called on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!" ⁵ Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.

⁶ The LORD preserves the simple; when I was brought low, He saved me. ⁷ Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise: "What Shall I Render to My God" -- Hymn 637

(Hymnals are located on the chair rack in front of you)

Confessing our Faith

Teaching Elder Bradley Arakelian

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q29: How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?

A: We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ, by the effectual application of it to us by his Holy Spirit.

Q30: How doth the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ?

A. The Spirit applieth to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.

Hearing God Speak: Ephesians 4:1-16

Teaching Elder Bradley Arakelian

(Bibles are located on the chair rack in front of you)

GOD CLEANSSES US IN WORSHIP

Humbling Ourselves in God's Presence: Matthew 20:25-27

²⁵ But Jesus called them to Him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ²⁶ It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever would be first among you must be your slave ...

Rejoicing in God's Mercy: Matthew 20:28

²⁸ even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many."

Song of Trust: "I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)"

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene,
And I wonder how He could love me, a sinner condemned, unclean.

(Chorus) How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be.
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Savior's love for me.

He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own,
He bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone. (Chorus)

And with the ransom'd in glory, His face I at last shall see.
It will be my joy through the ages, to sing of His love for me. (Chorus)

Words and music by Charles Hutchinson Gabriel; arranged by Chris Tomlin
@sixsteps Music/Vamos Publishing/worshiptogether.com songs

"All I Have is Christ"

(Chorus) Hallelujah! All I have is Christ!
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way;
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will,
And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross.
And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place;
You bore the wrath reserved for me; now all I know is grace!

(Chorus) Hallelujah! All I have is Christ!
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me.

O Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose,
And let my song forever be: my only boast is You. (Chorus)

(Words and Music by Jordan Kauflin ©Sovereign Grace Praise (BMI))

Worshipping God With our Tithes and Offerings: Psalm 116:12-14

¹²What shall I render to the LORD for all His benefits to me? ¹³I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD, ¹⁴I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all His people.

General Fund Offerings:

- Place your check in the **Offering Box** in the back of the Church
- Send a check via US Mail, through your bank, or under the Giving Tab on our website you can give using PayPal, Credit or Debit Card: Please note with your payment: General Fund OR Deacons Fund

Pastoral Prayer

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORSHIP

The Preaching of God's Word: John 13:12-17
Disciples of the Towel and Basin

Pastor David Nutting

Outline:

1. The master's _____

2. The master's _____

3. The master's _____

Song of Thanksgiving: “Hear The Call of The Kingdom”

Hear the call of the kingdom, lift your eyes to the King;
Let His song rise within you as a fragrant offering
Of how God, rich in mercy, came in Christ to redeem
All who trust in His unfailing grace.

Hear the call of the Kingdom, to be children of light
With the mercy of heaven the humility of Christ;
Walking justly before Him, loving all that is right,
That the life of Christ may shine through us.

(Chorus) King of Heaven, we will answer the call.
We will follow, bringing hope to the world,
Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim
Salvation in Jesus' name.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to reach out to the lost
With the Father's compassion in the wonder of the cross,
Bringing peace and forgiveness, and a hope yet to come;
Let the nations put their trust in Him. (Chorus)

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GOD COMMISSIONS US INTO THE WORLD

The Benediction

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

**Depart as Christ's Ministers to Spread a Passion
For the Glory and Worship of God**
(Elders will be available for prayer following worship)

Discussion Questions for devotions and Family Worship:

1. After reading this passage again, how would you describe the example that Jesus sets for us as his disciples? Why does Jesus highlight his position as "Teacher and Lord" to help them understand true authority?
2. Jesus commands us all to serve one another, and that no act of service should be beneath any of his followers. What obstacles might exist for you to engage in such service? What could it look like for you to follow Jesus' pattern, even today? Be specific and concrete.
3. What promise does Jesus hold out for those who follow his pattern of service (v.17)? How might humbly serving others in God's kingdom be a source of great joy and blessing for you?

Would you like to be on the church email list? EM: irene@northcitychurch.com to receive Sunday info, daily devotions, prayer needs, ministry & event info, etc. **NEW TO NCPC?:** You will find information on our back table about NCPC, Volunteer Opportunities, and more

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP

Listening Devices are available at the Sound Booth.

9:00am: Sunday School (adult & kids)

10am: Worship (or watch online via [Facebook Page](#) OR via [YouTube](#))

10am: Worship Nursery (infants to 4 years)

Giving: 4 options available on our website: <https://northcitychurch.com/giving>

Fellowship: Following morning worship we have coffee, water, snacks

Audio: Recordings of sermons available: <https://northcitychurch.com/sermons>

NEW EVENTS

- **Congregational Meeting:** on 10/5 immediately after worship.
- **NCPC Christmas Event Planning Meeting:** It is time to start planning for our next Jingle & Mingle! If you are interested in helping out or being on the committee, please join the planning meeting in the Conference Room of the office on 10/5 after the congregational meeting. Lunch will be provided.
- **NCPC Leadership Appreciation Luncheon:** We will have a chili potluck luncheon in appreciation of our pastors, elders, and deacons on 10/19 immediately after worship. Please look out for an email with more details and a sign-up sheet.
- **NCPC Women's Brunch & Hike:** The next brunch and hike event will be hosted by Kristin Kitabjian on 11/1 at 9 am. Please be on the look out for an email closer to the date.

CURRENT/ONGOING NCPC EVENTS

- **Get a copy of our Fall Event Booklet** located on the back table. This includes Sunday School classes, bible studies, and more.
- **Daily Email Prayer/Devotions** (Mon thru Fri)
- **Christianity Explored:** Christianity Explored has started their new class. Please join us on Tuesday evenings at 6 pm. If you are interested or want more information you can reach out to: Nate Osicka, Tom Stenhouse, Dave Witsken, Julie Witsken, Linda Andersen or Aryan Safari.
- **Men's Bible Study** Meets on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays from 8-9am. Steve Gamelson is leading the study and September meeting dates are: 10/4 & 10/18.
- **Women's Bible Study** meets on Wed. mornings, 9:30-11am in the Church Office Conference Room.
- **Mom's Play Group:** Rachel Harvey has a mom's play group that meets on the 1st Sat of each month. Location will be announced or you can contact Rachael's cell 951-660-5723.
- **Women's discipleship and book groups:** We have several small groups of women that minister and disciple each other through weekly, monthly, etc. book studies. If you are interested in any of these groups, please reach out to Irene O'Leary or Amanda Williams for more info.
- **Monthly Book Group:** Pat Vawter is leading a group that meets monthly on Saturday mornings. They are going through The Westminster Confession of Faith. Pat's cell 858-213-7367
- **Ivy Park Assisted Living:** Meets the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month from 3:30-4:15pm. Communion is served on the 3rd Sunday.
- **Belmont Village:** Meets the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month from 9-9:45am.
- **NCPC Food Distribution. Join us October 10th** (future '25 dates 11/14, & 12/12).
- **Edson Range:** Here is the last date for '25: 11/30. If you're interested in training or knowing more information, reach out to John Alford: johnburcma@yahoo.com; or Larry Fox: foxroad1848@gmail.com.

CHURCH STAFF & OFFICE HOURS

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Amanda Williams	amanda@northcitychurch.com	Office Assistant (works from home)
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Irene's Schedule		(9-4pm) Tuesday through Thursday
Days Off (David)		Friday and Saturday
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Angel Tree: Stacey Webb	Preschool Director: Thea Tafoya
Community Groups: John Love	Refreshments: Irene O'Leary and Jennifer Morse
Edson Range: John Alford, Larry Fox	Safety: Evan Johnson
Finance Team: John Hatcher (Treas), Kris Chopper, Scott Handley, Irene O'Leary	Sunday School (children): Kristen Johnson, Julie Witsken, Amanda Williams, Steve Gamelson
Flower Ministry: Kathy Printy, Kathy McGrath & Kathryn Johnson	Sunday School (adult): Elders
Food Distribution: Deacons	Ushers: Evan Johnson
Ivy Park: Pastor David Nutting; Pastor Mark George	VBS: Kristen Johnson
Belmont Village: Pastor Mark George	Transportation (Bill & Barbara Parkhurst): Deacons
Live Stream: Music Team	Women's Bible Study: Stacey Webb & Amy Hershey
Meals: Pat Vawter	Women's Special Events: Heidi Hatcher & Amanda Williams
Men's Bible Study: Steve Gamelson	Worship Nursery: Amanda Williams
Music Team: Aaron Pipkin, David Nutting	

NCPC MISSIONARIES

Bradley Arakelian: Mexico	Brent & Ellie Myers: Spain
Dave Eby: Uganda	Mark & Megumi: Japan



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North City Preschool is for kids ages 2 (a/o Sept. 1st) to 4 years.
The North City Staff uses all the gifts God gives us to teach
and love preschool children with joy and care.

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PRESCHOOL STAFF

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