

The Lord's Day, August 16, 2026



NORTH CITY

presbyterian church

Belmont Village 9:00 am

Morning Worship: 10:00 am

Ivy Park 3:30 pm

*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 135:1-6

Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord, give praise, O servants of the Lord,
² who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God!
³ Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant! ⁴ For
the Lord has chosen Jacob for himself, Israel as his own possession. ⁵ For I know
that the Lord is great, and that our Lord is above all gods. ⁶ Whatever the Lord
pleases, he does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps.

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Praise: "Psalm 150" (Praise the Lord)

You made the starry hosts, You traced the mountain peaks,
You paint the evening skies with wonders.
The earth, it is Your throne from desert to the sea.
All nature testifies Your splendor.

(Chorus) Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Sing His greatness, all creation.
Praise the Lord, raise your voice,
You heights and all you depths, from furthest east to west,
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord

You reached into the dust, in love Your Spirit breathed.
You formed us in Your very likeness to know Your wondrous works,
To tell Your mighty deeds, to join the everlasting chorus. (Chorus)

Let symphonies resound, let drums and choirs ring out,
All heaven hear the sound of worship.
Let every nation bring its honors to the King,
A roar of harmonies eternal.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Sing His greatness all creation.
Praise the Lord, raise your voice,
You heights and all you depths, from furthest east to west,
You distant burning stars, all creatures near and far,
From sky to sea to shore, sing out forevermore,
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

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Confessing our Faith

WSC Q: 1 & 2

Ruling Elder Russ Pierce

Page 869 in the Trinity Hymnal

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

Hearing God Speak: Luke 18:1-17

Ruling Elder Russ Pierce

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

GOD CLEANSSES US IN WORSHIP

Humbling Ourselves in God's Presence: 2 John 6

⁶ And this is love, that we walk according to His commandments; this is the commandment, just as you have heard from the beginning, so that you should walk in it.

Rejoicing in God's Mercy: Colossians 1:19-22

¹⁹ For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² He has now reconciled in his body of flesh by His death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before Him.

Songs of Trust: “My Savior’s Love” (What Tongue Could Tell)

What tongue could tell my Savior’s love, what song of angels could describe;
Could endless praises be enough to echo full His sacrifice?
How worthy is the Lamb of God, beyond all might or skill of pen;
Still we confess and strain towards, such mystery and magnificence.

(Chorus) My Savior’s love; My Savior’s love.
What could compare, what tongue could tell my Savior’s love.

What tune could carry on its wings, the beauty of that final breath;
What words dare paint the awesome scene, when God stood in the stead of man?
When Jesus Christ the radiant One, took on the shadows of our hate.
Then rose again just as the sun with light and power in fullest grace. (Chorus)

And when in death this tongue is stilled, my song of life has reached the end.
Though as a flower I may wilt, this everlasting truth will stand.
No death or life could separate me, from the love of Christ my Lord;
This hope is sure from age to age, my song will be forevermore. (Chorus)

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“Arise, My Soul, Arise”

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice, in my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

(Chorus) Arise, (Arise,) arise, (arise,), arise, arise my soul arise.
Arise, (Arise,) arise, (arise.) Arise, arise my soul arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

He ever lives above, for me to intercede;
His all redeeming love, His precious blood, to plead;
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace. (Chorus)

Five bleeding wounds He bears; received on Calvary; They pour effectual prayers;
They strongly plead for me: "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,
"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!" (Chorus)

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child;
I can no longer fear
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry. (Chorus)

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Worshipping God With our Tithes and Offerings: Ephesians 4:1

I therefore, a prisoner for the LORD, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called.

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, Venmo, 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: Ecclesiastes 12:1-14

Pastor Emeritus Tom Gastil

Fearing God

Aliso Creek Church

Outline:

1. _____ your _____.

2. _____ and _____

3. _____ to your _____

Hymn of Response: “Holy, Holy, Holy” Hymn— #100”
(Hymnals are located on the chair rack in front of you)

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)

CURRENT/ONGOING NCPC EVENTS

- **NCPC Young Adults Group** (18-30 year olds) - come join us at 7pm on Wednesday nights in the young adults room (aka the fellowship hall). Stay informed about the latest through the Young Adults Instagram page:



- **Men's Bible Study:** Join us for the NCPC Men's Bible Study on Romans 8–16. We will continue to meet the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month. Our upcoming meetings are September 5th and September 19th, from 8:00–9:00 AM. Please see Steve Gamelson for details.
- **Women's Bible study** will resume this fall starting on Wednesday September 9th, and we will be studying Hebrews, more details to come!
- **Women's discipleship and book groups:** We have several small groups that minister and disciple each other through weekly, monthly, etc. book studies. You can reach out to Irene or Amanda.
- **Ivy Park Assisted Living:** Meets the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month from **3:15-4pm** (note start time change) Communion is served on the 3rd Sunday.
- **Belmont Village:** Meets the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month from 9-9:45am.
- **NCPC Food Distribution. Next Distribution September 11th.** Check your email for sign-ups.

NOTE: All ministries that are on summer sabbatical will resume in September. More details to follow.

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Edson Range: John Alford, Larry Fox	Safety: Evan Johnson
Finance Team: John Hatcher (Treas), Kris Chopper, Scott Handley, Irene O'Leary, Ryan Mitchell	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; Intern Doug Brown	VBS: Kristen Johnson
Belmont Village: Intern Doug Brown	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	Young Adults Ministry: David Nutting

NCPC MISSIONARIES

Bradley Arakelian: Mexico	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. care.

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