

The Lord's Day, August 23, 2026



NORTH CITY

presbyterian church

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 138:1-3

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; ²I bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness, for You have exalted above all things Your name and Your word. ³On the day I called, You answered me; my strength of soul You increased.

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Praise: “Glorious and Mighty”

Majesty, Your glory is shining brighter than the moon and the stars.
Marveling, we honor and fear You above all gods.

(Chorus) Glorious and mighty, You're awesome in beauty, joyful songs we raise.
Glorious and mighty, You're awesome in beauty, greatly to be praised.

Majesty, You fashioned the heavens, Your decrees can never be changed.
Over all the plans of the nations Your judgments reign. (Chorus)

Majesty, we'll sing with creation when You come again in the clouds.
Every knee will bow down and worship the one true God. (Chorus)
(Joel Szebel, Todd Twining, Bob Kauflin, 2008 Sovereign Grace Music)

Confessing our Faith

WSC Q: 3

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 18:18-43

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: Psalm 19:12, 13

¹² Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults. ¹³ Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

Rejoicing in God's Mercy: Isaiah 54:10

¹⁰ For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but My steadfast love shall not depart from you, and My covenant of peace shall not be removed," says the LORD, who has compassion on you.

Songs of Trust: "Blessed Be Your Name"

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

(Chorus) Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name. (Chorus)

You give and take away, You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."

(Matt & Beth Redman, ©2002 Thankyou Music)

“There is One Gospel”

There is one Gospel on which I stand for all eternity.

It is my story, my Father’s plan, the Son has rescued me.

Oh what a Gospel, oh what a peace, my highest joy and my deepest need.

Now and forever He is my light, I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is one Gospel to which I cling, all else I count as loss.

For there, where justice and mercy meet, He saved me on the cross.

No more I boast in what I can bring, no more I carry the weight of sin.

For He has brought me from death to life, I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is one Gospel where hope is found, the empty tomb still speaks.

For death could not keep my Saviour down, He lives and I am free.

Now on my Saviour, I fix my eyes, my life is His and His hope is mine!

For He has promised I, too, will rise, I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

And in this Gospel the church is one, we do not walk alone.

We have His Spirit as we press on, to lead us safely home.

And when in glory still I will sing, of this old story that rescued me.

Praise to my Saviour, the King of life, I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Words and music by Jonny Robinson & Rich Thompson

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Worshipping God With our Tithes and Offerings: Psalm 56:12-13

¹² I must perform my vows to You, O God; I will render thank offerings to You.

¹³ For You have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of life.

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: John 19:31-37
Redemption Accomplished

David Nutting
Senior Pastor

Outline:

1. The _____ of the _____.

2. The Scripture _____.

3. The _____ of salvation.

Hymn of Response: “There is a Fountain Filled with Blood” Hymn— #253”

(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)

Questions for Family Worship:

1. John took careful steps to record the fact that Jesus really died on the cross. Why was that so important then, and why does it matter now?
2. John speaks of two Scriptural fulfillments in Jesus' bones not being broken on the cross (Exodus 12:46), and the piercing of His side (see Zechariah 12:10). Why are these important for understanding what Jesus was accomplishing on the cross?
3. Do you daily come to the "fountain" of Jesus' blood poured out for your forgiveness? How can this provide daily grace and help build faith, hope, and love in you?

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 more details or enclosed flier.
- **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 and the Sunday School classes will resume on Sept. 13th (week following Labor Day). More details to follow.

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Irene's Schedule		(9-4pm) Tuesday through Thursday
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Days Off (Irene)		Monday and Friday

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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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