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**PRELUDE** 

Spirit of the Living God Daniel Iverson and Lowell Alexander Brian Ward, Piano

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jeff Hunter and Libby Piotrowski

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

written by Joan Stott

O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth!

Your glory is higher than the heavens.

We gather to praise you!

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth!

Your glory is higher than the heavens.

We gather to celebrate you!

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

And God saw that it was good. We gather to celebrate our God.

O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth!

Your glory is higher than the heavens.

We gather to worship you!

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

ALL: And God saw that it was very good. We gather to worship our God! All praise, honor, majesty, and power belong to our creating, redeeming, sustaining God! Amen.

\* OPENING HYMN 101

Come, Thou Almighty King

### \* INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### \* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of our Triune God be with you.

And also with you.

## PRAYER FOR THE JOURNEY

Roderick Smith

READING OF SCRIPTURE

New Testament Reading

\* Gospel Reading The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

\* Sung Response 110

Sandy Edstrom, Reader

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20

Glory Be to God, Creator

CHORAL ANTHEM

Come to the Table Sally K. Albrecht, Jay Althouse Chancel Choir, Dominic German, Director

Come to the table where the bread is broken. Come to the table where the word of God is spoken. And take this bread into your life as a token. Come to the table of the Lord.

> Come to the table and drink this wine. Come to the table believing in this sign. Renew your spirit with this food divine. Come to the table of the Lord.

Hungry and thirsty, we come, Lord, to Thee. We humbly bow on bended knee.

Come to the table and dwell in God's light. Come to the table and kneel before His sight. Join in communion and know His holy might. Come to the table of the Lord. Amen.

### WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

Jeff Hunter

## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Angélica Ahlman Bonnie Pfeiffelman

JP DeNeui Eric Pfeiffelman Sarah Hillabrant

Antonio Pizarro

Michael Shawn Sanders Lauren Wargaski

Paul Wargaski

\* CONGREGATIONAL SONG

All Who Are Thirsty Brenton Brown, Glenn Robertson

1998 Vineyard Songs (UK/Eire) (Admin. by Integrity Music)

Led by Dominic German, Anders Johnson, Abbie Smith, and Brian Ward

### THE TABLE

Communion Meditation

Libby Piotrowski

Invitation

A Great Thanksgiving (On pages 8 and 9)

Sharing the Meal

Communion Music

Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face (559)

Heavenly Father (392)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

### GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Generosity

The Trustees will come around at this time to receive physical offerings.

Giving online at any time is also an option here.

Offertory

Give Me Jesus arr. Douglas E. Wagner

- \* Doxology 48
- \* Prayer of Dedication

\* CLOSING HYMN 113

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

\* CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
Peter C. Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

Amen.

**POSTLUDE** 

Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us arr. Roy Brunner

\* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

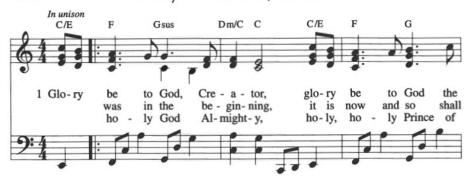


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## Glory Be to God, Creator





# All Who Are Thirsty

Brenton Brown and Glenn Robertson



### A Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day when justice shall roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream, when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection, you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

At his ascension you exalted him to sit and reign with you at your right hand.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over, he took the cup,

gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,

poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

## Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here and on these gifts of bread and cup. Make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

We pray all these things in the name of the Trinity, Love of Creator, of Spirit, of Son, love of Creator for Son and Spirit, love of Son for Spirit and Creator, love of Spirit for Creator and Son, love of Three in One for all, and Mercy over all, ever abounding. Amen.

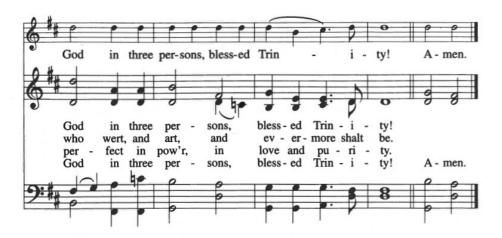
# Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 48



# Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty



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The outward form of worship should be reverent, festive, and beautiful. Most important of all is to have reverence and a mind dedicated to the Lord.

Statement from the Covenant Committee on Ritual, 1900 A Book of Worship for Covenant Churches, © 1964 Covenant Publications

# Welcome to North Park Covenant Church online! We're glad you're here.

## For your prayers this week:

- **Sarah Hillabrant**, recuperating well after gall-bladder surgery
- Nancy Ebner and family, mourning the passing of her mother, Margaret Johnson, on May 30
- **family and friends of Fred Holmgren**, who passed away on May 24
- Barbara Nordlund's father, **Dwight Samuelson**, anticipating a laparoscopic esophagectomy on June 6

# Praying for Our Neighborhood in 2023

Join us this week, as we pray for those in our community whose first names begin with...



- Tom McCullough, recuperating following a successful heart procedure on May 23
- Elizabeth Petersen and family, mourning the passing of her stepson, Robert Petersen, on May 15

**The summer issue of** *The Narthex*, our monthly newsletter, is available for pick-up in the narthex this morning. A digital copy was emailed out on Wednesday of last week. If you would like to be added to that email list, please contact Ann-Marie in the church office, and she will be happy to do so!

**If you signed up to take today's architectural tour**, please feel free to make your way to the parlors for a cup of coffee or tea for a few minutes before returning to the sanctuary for the tour.

**Get reading this summer!** The church library invites all kids to join in The Great Summer Reading Challenge. Have fun reading on the beach, to a pet, on a swing, or wherever! Summer reading challenge sheets are available in the parlors. Turn in your completed sheets at a time to be announced.

**Vote for your favorite books by June 9!** The deadline has been extended to give more people the opportunity to vote. You may <u>vote online here</u> or via paper ballot, which is available in the parlors. Please let us know what types of books you would like us to purchase. We need your input!

Next Sunday, June 11, we will hold worship out in the south garden (weather permitting), followed by our start-of-summer block party! Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Entertainment for the kids and fellowship for all! Church members: If your last name begins with A-J, please bring a side dish. If it begins with K-Z, please bring a dessert. (Please bring enough for your family plus an additional 10.) Bring a neighbor and friend from another block!

**Join us for another all-church community event!** On Wednesday, August 9, at 6:30 pm, we invite you to join us to watch as the Chicago Dogs take on the Gary-Southshore Railcats (9850 Balmoral Ave., Rosemont, IL). Tickets are \$16/person (infield, box seats). RSVP by Thursday, August 3, by clicking here. All are welcome!

Vacation Bible School planning is well underway! We are still need of your help, in all sorts of ways:

1. If you have volunteered to help already, thank you! If you haven't volunteered but have been considering it, please let Pastor Libby know. We can use all the help we can get, even if you can't be there the whole week. Anyone in 6th grade and older is welcome as staff. There are two dates left for volunteer meetings; please mark your calendars:

Wednesday, June 7, at 7 pm (Please plan to attend if you were not able to attend the May 30 meeting.)

#### AND

Sunday, June 11, at 6 pm – Set-up/decorating (All volunteers should attend.)

- 2. Please take a look at the needs list, which can be accessed here. There are many things we need. If you are willing and able to donate items, please bring them to the church office as you are able. (If you'd like to see a hard copy of the list, just let Libby or Ann-Marie know!)
- 3. Please continue to pray for the children and the staff as they prepare for the week of VBS. Pray that the week would be one of fun, excitement, and energy... and a week in which these kids can come closer to the God who loves them so very much!

Finally, if you haven't yet registered your child/ren for VBS, now is the time! Click here to sign up!

What do the lamp in your basement, that pair of slacks you only wore a few times, and the toddler toys that have been stored in your attic for decades have in common? They are all items that can be donated to (and subsequently sold at) the North Park Covenant Church Rummage Sale! Here's your chance to clean out the stuff that has been accumulating in your home, donate sellable items and/or your time and energy, put your organizational skills to good use, and have an enjoyable time working with others in the church on a project!

And for the bakers... we just might have a baked goods area that could use your talent!

The Rummage Sale will take place on Saturday, October 7, 2023! Between now and then, we will be looking for people interested in being on the Rummage Sale Committee. We will also be collecting items and storing them at church. So, as you do your spring cleaning, keep us in mind! We will take almost anything we can resell! Questions? Contact Susan Dawson at <a href="mailto:dnsdawson@aol.com">dnsdawson@aol.com</a>.



Need to put some extra dollars in your pocket? Want to work for the Lord in a ministry setting? We've got the perfect opportunity for you! We are looking for individuals who have a servant's heart, are teachable leaders and can pour into the lives of our teen staff.



Join the kitchen ministry team at Covenant Harbor as a part time cook! We offer competitive pay and a very flexible schedule.

Contact Sandy Wendtland at swendtland@covenantharbor.org

# The Church Calendar This Week

The calendar is available online at www.npcovenant.org/calendar and is updated as changes occur.

	Monday, June 5	
9 am	NPCCP Summer Camp (South Garden)	
10 am	Staff Planning Meeting (Staff Conference Room)	
6:30 pm	Geezerball (Gym)	
7:30 pm	Centering Prayer (Virtual)	
	Tuesday, June 6	
9 am	NPCCP Summer Camp (South Garden)	
5 pm	Uniting Voices Chicago Discovery Day (Sanctuary/Parlors)	
6 pm	Cudahy Basketball (Gym)	
Wednesday, June 7		
9 am	NPCCP Summer Camp (South Garden)	
7 pm	VBS Meeting (Parlors)	
	Thursday, June 8	
9 am	NPCCP Summer Camp (South Garden)	
8:15 pm	Swanson Basketball (Gym)	
-	Friday, June 9	
9 am	NPCCP Summer Camp (South Garden)	
1 pm	Prayer Gathering (North Room)	
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0	Saturday, June 10	
8 am	Geezerball (Gym)	
10:30 am	Cudahy Basketball (Gym)	
	Sunday, June 11	
10:30 am	Worship (South Garden, weather permitting)	
12 pm	All-church/Community Block Party	
6 pm	VBS Set-up (Parlors)	
7 pm	AA Meeting (South Chapel)	

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We invite all believers to fully participate in the life	and ministry of our church as members, leaders,

and lay staff. We celebrate the gifts and presence of diverse Christians among us—whether those differences be race, ethnicity, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, or socioeconomic status. We are blessed by our diversity and are unified in Christ.

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