

NORTH PARK COVENANT CHURCH

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PRELUDE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need arr. Tracey Craig McKibben Brian Ward, Piano

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jeff Hunter and Libby Piotrowski

* CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 145: 8-14

Lord, you are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Lord, you are good to all, your compassion is over all that you have made.

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.

We shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power.

We will make known to all people your mighty deeds and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

You, O Lord, are faithful in all your words and gracious in all your deeds.

You uphold all who are falling and raise up all who are bowed down.

ALL: You alone, O Lord, are worthy of glory and praise! Amen!

* OPENING HYMN 324

Come, O Sinners, Poor and Needy

- * INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER 887 (Using sins)
- * PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

A MOMENT FOR MISSION

Anna Kim

SPECIAL MUSIC

I Stretched Out My Hands
John Andrew Schreiner
2008 John Andrew Schreiner
Robert Johnson, Soloist/Bass;
Kristen Hunter, Soprano; Ann-Marie Frisk, Alto;
Charles Olson, Tenor; Brian Ward, Baritone

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament Reading

New Testament Reading

* Gospel Reading

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Steve Paska, Reader Zechariah 9:9-12 Romans 7:15-25a

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

SONG OF PREPARATION

Lord, You Have My Heart

Martin Smith

1992 Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Led by Kristen Hunter, Anders Johnson, Robert Johnson, and Brian Ward

MESSAGE

Libby Piotrowski

He Is

* SONG OF RESPONSE

David Crowder, Hank Bentley, Jeff Pardo

2021 BrentHood Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Capitol CMG Genesis (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) Capitol CMG Paragon (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) Inot Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Meaux Mercy (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) sixsteps Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Songs by That Dog Will Hunt (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Amazing Grace/Etude in E Major (Frédéric Chopin)

arr. Mark Hayes

- * Doxology 48
- * Prayer of Dedication
- * CLOSING HYMN 350

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in Praise Stephen Walley and Chester G. Allen

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

324 Come, O Sinners, Poor and Needy



WORDS: Joseph Hart, 1712-1768, alt. MUSIC: The Sacred Harp, 1844; arr. A. Royce Eckhardt, 1937-, © 1972, 1996 Covenant Publications

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

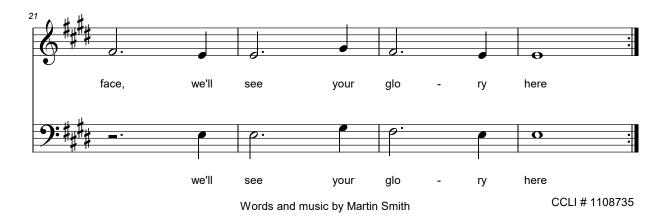
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Traditional







He Is

David Crowder













Com-for-ter, Coun-se-lor, Prince of Peace

Authorand Maker of everything De - fen-der, De-li-ver-er, King of Kings He













Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 48



Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!



WORDS: J. Wilbur Chapman, 1859-1918 MUSIC: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887; arr. Robert Harkness, 1880-1961, desc. A. Royce Eckhardt, 1937-, © 1996 A. Royce Eckhardt 8.7.8.7.D. HYFRYDOL

GRACE THROUGH FAITH



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

For your prayers this week:

- Bjorn, Dillan, Oskar, and Sienna, away at camp this week
- Carol Schlensker and family, mourning the passing on July 4 of her mother, Vera McLaughlin
- Tracee Lundeen, moving to hospice care
- Linda Townsend, home from the hospital after a fall in which she sustained a contusion in her right leg
- Fran Fostey, moving to California to be close to one of her sisters, who is facing health challenges
- Andy Johnson and family, mourning the passing of his father, Vern Johnson, on June 15
- the family of Don Helander, who passed away on June 24
- Barbara Nordlund's father, **Dwight Samuelson**, recuperating after a second surgery, this one to repair a leak in his esophagus; and her mother, Susan, now out of aFib and back to heart health

Thank you for worshiping with us in the parlors today! As the summer heats up, we have decided to worship in the parlors for the next few weeks. We will return to the sanctuary at a date to be determined as we watch the weather.

A memorial service for Fred Holmgren will be held on Sunday, August 6, at 2 pm in our sanctuary. All are invited to share in this time of remembering Fred.

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

We are collecting items for 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 summer reorganizing, keep us in mind! We will take almost anything we can resell! Questions? Contact Susan Dawson at dnsdawson@ aol.com.

Praying for Our Neighborhood in 2023

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



Covenant Harbor invites you to worship by the lake this summer! Each Sunday from June 18 through August 6, worship will begin at 10:30 am, followed by a light, grilled lunch (for purchase) and a chance to swim for a couple of hours. For more details and to view the preaching schedule, <u>please click here</u>.

Covenant Point invites you to participate in a silent, directed retreat this coming fall. Retreat options are as follows:

- 2-Night Option A: Sept 22-24, 2023
- 2-Night Option B: Sept 24-26, 2023
- 4-Night Option (by registering for both)

In one of David's Psalms, we hear God say, "Be still and know that I am God." Covenant Point's silent, directed retreat offers an opportunity to spend a weekend in prayerful silence with about 25 other people who are also seeking to focus their attention on listening for God's voice. Pricing and details at www.cpbc.com/silent-retreat.

Covenant Point's 2023-24 Fall Retreat Registration is now open! You are invited to join them at a fall retreat or Christmas Camp. For more information or to sign up to attend, <u>click here</u>.

The text for today's special music is as follows:

I Stretched Out My Hands

John Andrew Schreiner

I stretched out my hands to my Lord, and to my God I raised my voice and I prayed with the voice of my heart, and He heard my cry.

Lord, have mercy on me, for I am a sinner.

Alleluia!

His word came to me with His answer, with His answer his word came to me.

He gave rest for the weary by the grace of the Lord.

Alleluia!

The Church Calendar This Week

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

Monday, July 10		
9:30 am	NPCCP Kindergarten Boot Camp (South Garden/Preschool Room)	
10:30 am	Staff Meeting (Staff Conference Room)	
6:30 pm	Geezerball (Gym)	
7:30 pm	Centering Prayer (Staff Conference Room)	
Tuesday, July 11		
9:30 am	NPCCP Kindergarten Boot Camp (South Garden/Preschool Room)	
6 pm	Cudahy Basketball (Gym)	
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9:30 am	NPCCP Kindergarten Boot Camp (South Garden/Preschool Room) Medina Basketball (Gym)	
8 pm	Medina Dasketban (Gynn)	
	Thursday, July 13	
9:30 am	NPCCP Kindergarten Boot Camp (South Garden/Preschool Room)	
8:15 pm	Swanson Basketball (Gym)	
	Saturday, July 15	
8 am	Geezerball (Gym)	
10:30 am	Cudahy Basketball (Gym)	
10.20	Sunday, July 16	
10:30 am	Worship (Sanctuary)	

7 pm

AA Meeting (Parlors)

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James and Rachel V	Ventress, Alaska
Welcome St We welcome all people to begin or deepen their relat We invite all helievers to fully participate in the life	tionship with Christ through worship and study.
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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