



**NORTH PARK**  
**COVENANT CHURCH**

JUNE 16, 2024  
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PRELUDE

God Leads Us Along  
Lisa Hoekstra  
Brian Ward, Piano

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moment for Mission

Miho Buchholtz for Tokyo Life Church

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 20  
Karen Darelus

Now I know that the Lord will help his anointed;

**he will answer him from his holy heaven  
with mighty victories by his right hand.**

Some take pride in chariots and some in horses,

**but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God.**

They will collapse and fall,

**but we shall rise and stand upright.**

Give victory to the king, O Lord;

**answer us when we call.**

\* OPENING HYMN 23

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

\* INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER 887 (Using *sins*)

Eric Hoffman

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

SPECIAL MUSIC

My Lighthouse  
Chris Llewellyn, Gareth Gilkeson  
2013 Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)  
VBS Kids and the Sound Waves

In my wrestling and in my doubts, in my failures You won't walk out.  
Your great love will lead me through. You are the peace in my troubled sea.

*Chorus:* My lighthouse, shining in the darkness, I will follow You.  
My lighthouse, I will trust the promise, You will carry me safe to shore.

In the silence, You won't let go. In the questions, Your truth will hold.  
Your great love will lead me through. You are the peace in my troubled sea. *Chorus*

I won't fear what tomorrow brings. With each morning I'll rise and sing.  
My God's love will lead me through. You are the peace in my troubled sea. *Chorus*

Fire before us, You're the brightest.  
You will lead us through the storms.

Fruit of the Spirit

Jamison J. Statema and Darren Rust

Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, too.

Gentleness and self-control: we got spirit, how 'bout you?

We got the fruit (yeah, yeah!), fruit of the spirit!

We got the fruit (yeah, yeah!)—this is how we live!

We got the fruit (yeah, yeah!), fruit of the spirit—  
the gifts that only God can give.

Well, it's easy to get mad when things don't go your way.

It's easy to get angry when you're having a bad day.

It's easy to be mean when people do you wrong.

It's easy to complain when you just can't get along.

But there's a better way: the spirit can help you when you pray.

Well, it's easy to be selfish when you need to give away.

It's easy to run when you know you need to stay.

It's easy to quit instead of staying until the end.

It's easy to argue instead of speaking like a friend.

But there's a better way: the spirit can help you when you pray.

## READING OF THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament Reading

New Testament Reading

\* Gospel Reading

Sara Wendt, Reader

1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13

2 Corinthians 5:6-17

Mark 4:26-34

## MESSAGE

Jeff Hunter

## \* CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Goodness of God

Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Jenn Johnson

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Robert Johnson, Brian Ward, and Ryan Wendt

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 at [www.npcovenant.org/give](http://www.npcovenant.org/give).*

Offertory

His Eye Is on the Sparrow  
Charles H. Gabriel  
Jon Boyd, Saxophone

Why should I feel discouraged,  
why should the shadows come,  
why should my heart be lonely,  
and long for heav'n and home;  
when Jesus is my portion?  
My constant Friend is he;  
his eye is on the sparrow,  
and I know he watches me;  
his eye is on the sparrow,  
and I know he watches me.

I sing because I'm happy.  
I sing because I'm free.  
For his eye is on the sparrow,  
and I know he watches me.

\* Doxology 48

\* Prayer of Dedication

Garry Arkema

\* CLOSING HYMN 271

Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

\* BENEDICTION

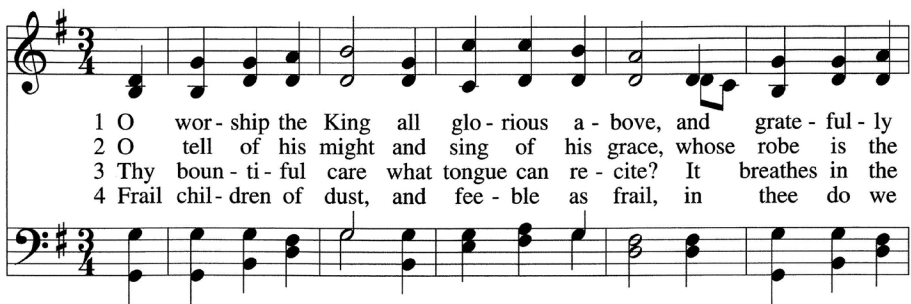
POSTLUDE

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing  
arr. Todd Kendall

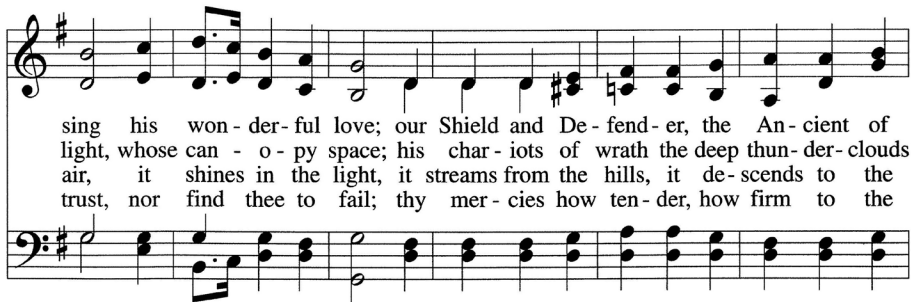
*\* Please rise, in body or in spirit.*

*Prayer is offered in the south chapel after the service.  
In addition, if you have prayer requests to be shared confidentially with the pastors,  
there is a prayer box located in the narthex, as well as slips of paper and a pen  
in the box's drawer for your use.*

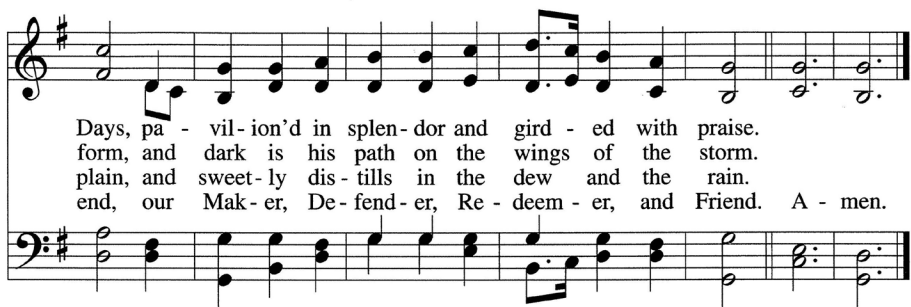
## 23 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above



1 O wor-ship the King all glo-rious a-bove, and grate-ful-ly  
2 O tell of his might and sing of his grace, whose robe is the  
3 Thy boun-ti-ful care what tongue can re-cite? It breathes in the  
4 Frail chil-dren of dust, and fee-ble as frail, in thee do we



sing his won-der-ful love; our Shield and De-fend-er, the An-cient of  
light, whose can-o-py space; his char-iots of wrath the deep thun-der-clouds  
air, it shines in the light, it streams from the hills, it de-scends to the  
trust, nor find thee to fail; thy mer-cies how ten-der, how firm to the



Days, pa-vil-ion'd in splen-dor and gird-ed with praise.  
form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
plain, and sweet-ly dis-tills in the dew and the rain.  
end, our Mak-er, De-fend-er, Re-deem-er, and Friend. A-men.

Optional final stanza

Descant



5 O mea-sure-less might, un-  
Friend. 5 O mea-sure-less might, un-

WORDS: Robert Grant, 1779-1838

MUSIC: William Gardiner's *Sacred Melodies* 1815; arr. Johann M. Haydn, 1737-1806,  
last st. arr. and desc. Herbert Colvin, 1928-, © 1986 Word, Inc.10.10.11.11.  
LYONS

ADORATION AND PRAISE

change - a - ble love, whom an - gels de - light to wor - ship a -

change - a - ble love, whom an - gels de - light to wor - ship a -

bove! Thy cre - a - tion, with glo - ry a - blaze, in

bove! Thy ran - somed cre - a - tion, with glo - ry a - blaze, in

true ad - o - ra - tion shall sing to thy praise. A - men.

true ad - o - ra - tion shall sing to thy praise. A - men.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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*

# Goodness of God

Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, and Brian Johnson



I love You, Lord  
(I love Your voice.)

Oh, Your mer - cy ne - ver fails  
You have led me through the fi -



me. All my days I've been held in Your hands  
re. In dark - est night You are close like no oth -



er. From the mo - ment that I wake up un - till I lay  
I've known You as a fa - ther, I've known You as



my head I will sing of the good - ness of God.  
a friend I have lived in the good - ness of God.



All my life You have been faith - ful. All my life You have been so,



so good. With ev - 'ry breath that I am a - ble I will sing

Last time to Coda  $\text{C}$

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2.



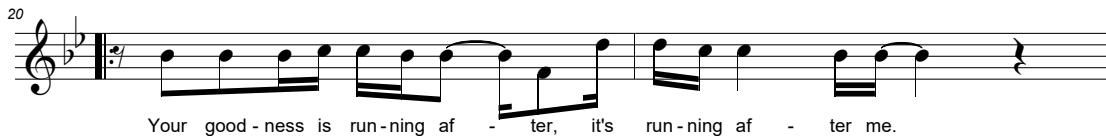
of the good - ness

of God.

2. I love Your voice.

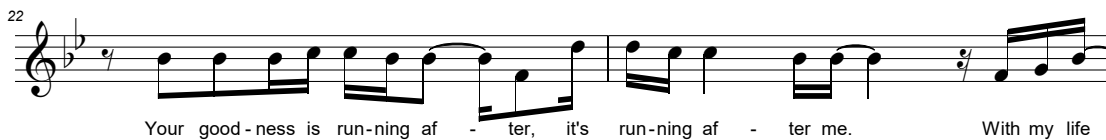


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Your good - ness is run - ning af - ter, it's run - ning af - ter me.

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Your good - ness is run - ning af - ter, it's run - ning af - ter me. With my life

24



laid down, I'm sur - ren - dered now; I give You ev - 'ry-thing.

26



1.

Your good - ness is run - ning af - ter, it's run - ning af - ter me.

28



2.

*D.S. al Coda*

run - ning af - ter me.

31



I will sing of the good - ness of God.

## Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 48

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: 'Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.'

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him all crea-tures

here be-low; praise him a-bove ye heav'n-ly host;

praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

Yupik: *Nanrau mali Agayutvut, Nanrarlitgu pilimalriit  
Nanrarlitgu qilagmeinguut, Aata, qetunraq, Anerneqllu.*

Translation by Lucy Daniels and Wassilie Mute

Spanish: *A Dios el Padre celestial, al Hijo nuestro Redentor,  
y al eternal Consolador, uni dos todos alabad.*

Lingala: *E Njambe apesi bato nse, mpo mingi na Yosanjola,  
Na banje mpe tosambel, tata, Mwana, Molimo mpe.*

## Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

*Descant*

4 Re-joyce in glo-rious hope for Christ the Judge shall come

1 Re-joyce, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a-dore!  
 2 Our Sav-ior, Je-sus, reigns, the God of truth and love;  
 3 His King-dom can-not fail, he rules both earth and heav'n;  
 4 Re-joyce in glo-rious hope for Christ the Judge shall come

to gath-er all his saints to their e-ter-nal home:

Re-joyce, give thanks, and sing, and tri-umph ev-er-more:  
 when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a-bove:  
 the keys of death and hell are to our Je-sus giv'n:  
 to gath-er all his saints to their e-ter-nal home:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Re-joyce, a-gain I say, re-joyce!

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Re-joyce, a-gain I say, re-joyce!

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

## For your prayers this week:

- Suelexia, Oskar, Anna, and James, away at camp this week.
- Valerie Sanchez Lucco's sister, hospitalized and awaiting treatment for pancreatic cancer
- Rosemary Slaughter's friend **Debbie Williams' great-grandson**, who was born prematurely and is in the NICU
- **Jim Reese**, Julie Reese-Clauson's father, home and recuperating after experiencing a heart attack
- Ryan Wendt's dad, **Kevin**, recuperating at home after surgery
- **Craig Johnson**, Pastor Libby's dad, still hospitalized but making slow and steady progress
- **Sally Johnson**, recuperating after undergoing two eye lens surgeries

**Childcare is available** in the toddler room (lower level, off the hallway south of the parlors) for the full duration of the worship service for any wee ones ages 0 through 5 needing a place to wiggle and play. We always happily welcome children in the service but recognize that sometimes parents need a break so they can focus on worship.



**Welcome to North Park Covenant Church!** If you're new here today, we invite you to scan the QR code at the left to learn more about us and, perhaps, get a little more connected.

**Staff Away:** Pastor Libby will be away at Covenant Point Bible Camp this coming week, serving as their pastor of the week. Also, the church office will be closed on Wednesday, June 19, in observance of Juneteenth.

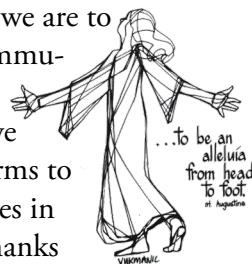
## The lectionary texts for next Sunday, June 23, are:

- 1 Samuel 17:32-49
- 2 Corinthians 6:1-13
- Psalm 9:9-20
- Mark 4:35-41

## Neighborhood Prayer in 2024

Throughout the calendar year, we have been striving to use all of who we are to pray with and for the communities in which we live.

For the month of June, we will focus on using our arms to surround our communities in prayer and love, giving thanks for their presence in our lives and the ways we shape one another. We invite you to select three homes or businesses in your neighborhood and metaphorically wrap your arms around them, praying for them each day; that those spaces would be filled with love and that they would know and follow after God.



*As Simeon said as he held the infant Jesus in his arms: "I have seen your salvation, which you have prepared for all people. He is a light to reveal God to the nations, and he is the glory of your people Israel!" - Luke 2:31-32*

**Make note and tune in!** Ayden Hunt will be featured on WFMT's *Introductions* with Robbie Ellis on Saturday, June 22, at 11 am. If you're able, you may tune into 98.7 FM on your radio or [stream it here](#).

**East Wall Construction Photos:** Last week, we shared a link on social media, showing the current state of the east wall of the sanctuary, specifically the fact that the stained glass has been removed for refurbishing, leaving the limestone tracery open and yet, still beautiful! If you don't follow us on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) but would like to, feel free to click on the respective links to get there and like us. And if you aren't a social media-type person, [click here](#) to view the photos in our Shutterfly album.

**Preschool Committee Needs:** One of the roles of the Board of Christian Formation is to make sure there are representative members of the church serving on the committee that oversees North Park Church Cooperative Preschool. We are grateful to Jim Meyer and Kristen Engebretson for their excellent service in this capacity for the last two years! As they step away from serving in this role, we are looking for two to three people who are interested in representing the church on the Preschool Committee; supporting the flourishing of this invaluable neighborhood preschool. In particular, people with knowledge of early childhood education, finance, fundraising, or event organizing might find this to be a really good fit for ministry. Please reach out to [Samantha Johnson](#) or [Pastor Libby](#) if you're interested or have questions!

**Even throughout the summer, volunteers are needed on an ongoing basis** for childcare and hospitality! If you're able to help out in the toddler room or by serving refreshments after Sunday worship, please sign up for a Sunday or two at <https://tinyurl.com/volunteer-sunday>

**Mark Schukas is in search of bicycles** for kids in kindergarten, 3rd grade, and 5th grade for a refugee family. If you have a bike to donate, please [reach out to Mark directly](#). Thank you!

**Attention, All Golfers!** Covenant Point Bible Camp's 42nd Annual Dusty Larson Memorial Golf Tournament will be played on Monday, July 29, 2024, at Young's Golf-Recreation-Dining. Golfers may sign up as individuals or in 4-person teams. Early registration is helpful to the committee as they plan this year's event.

Attention, All Non-golfers! You are invited to participate in the Dusty Larson Memorial Golf Tournament as a Hole Sponsor. For a donation of \$25 or more, hole sponsors may write a message for their sign, which will be displayed on the golf course for all to see! Thank you for your support!

Proceeds from the tournament will be equally divided between Town & Country Ministries of the Evangelical Covenant Church and Covenant Point Bible Camp in Iron River. [Click here to register](#).

## The Church Calendar This Week

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*The calendar is available online at [www.npcovenant.org/calendar](http://www.npcovenant.org/calendar) and is updated as changes occur.*

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### *Monday, June 17*

- 9 am NPCCP Day Camp (Preschool Classroom, South Garden)
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting (Staff Conference Room)
- 6:30 pm Geezerball (Gym)
- 7:30 pm Centering Prayer (Staff Conference Room)

### *Tuesday, June 18*

- 9 am NPCCP Day Camp (Preschool Classroom, South Garden)
- 6 pm Cudahy Basketball (Gym)
- 7 pm Adult Bible Study (Art Room)
- Executive Council Meeting (Large Conference Room)

### *Wednesday, June 19 - Juneteenth - Office Closed*

- 9 am NPCCP Day Camp (Preschool Classroom, South Garden)
- 7 pm Middle-school Paint 'n' Snack (Parlors)

### *Thursday, June 20*

- 8 am East Wall Project Progress Meeting (Large Conference Room)
- 9 am NPCCP Day Camp (Preschool Classroom, South Garden)
- 5 pm Flores Pre-marital Counseling Session (Staff Conference Room)
- 5:30 pm High-school Hangout (Paint-n-Party, Lincolnwood)

### *Friday, June 21*

- 9 am NPCCP Day Camp (Preschool Classroom, South Garden)

### *Saturday, June 22*

- 8 am Geezerball (Gym)
- 10:30 am Cudahy Basketball (Gym)

### *Sunday, June 23*

- 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 7 pm AA Meeting (Parlors)

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**Welcome Statement**

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*We welcome all people to begin or deepen their relationship 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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