



# NORTHBROOK UMC

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March 17, 2024  
Fifth Sunday of Lent  
11:00 AM

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**March 17, 2024**  
**Order of Worship | 11:00 AM**

Welcome and Announcements

Allen Whittaker

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

*I Love You Lord*  
Mary Holliday

arr. Marianne Kim

\*Call to Worship

Allen Whittaker

Lift up your voice and call out to God.

**We cry out, believing that God hears us.**

Come together and wait for God.

**We come together, trusting that God is still speaking.**

Surely God's presence is here with us now.

**We wait in hope, for God's steadfast love lifts our hearts.**

Come, worship the Lord.

**We celebrate the power of God that restores us.**

~ written by Rev. Nancy J

\*Opening Hymn

*My Hope Is Built*

UMH 368

## My Hope Is Built

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1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than  
 2. When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I  
 3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup -  
 4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O

Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness. I dare not trust the  
 rest on his un - chang - ing grace. In ev - ery high and  
 port me in the whelm - ing flood. When all a - round my  
 may I then in him be found! Dressed in his righ - teous -

sweet - est frame, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 storm - y gale, my an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
 soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.  
 ness a - lone, fault - less to stand be - fore the throne!

*Refrain*  
 On Christ the sol - id rock I stand, all oth - er ground is  
 sink - ing sand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

WORDS: Edward Mote, 1834  
 MUSIC: William B. Bradbury, 1863

THE SOLID ROCK  
 LM with Refrain

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

\*Gloria Patri

UMH 71

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen, Amen

Children's Moment

Christy Merritt

Mission Moment

Murphy-Harpst/Christmas Tree Proceeds

Eric Pool  
Gary McDonald

Offertory Prayer

Rev. Laurie Moeller

Offering

*Text NUMC and a dollar amount to **73256**. Give online at  
**[www.northbrookumc.com/give](http://www.northbrookumc.com/give)**.*

**March's Altar Rail gifts will go to Love Serve.**

Love Serve's faith driven and Christ centered mission is located in Ciudad Vieja, Guatemala. Its mission is to serve the spiritual, physical, and financial needs of communities to enable them to become self-sustaining. Love Serve provides homes, medical care, educational opportunities, and clean drinking water. Northbrook Missionaries Craig and Carol Hill run the organization and host regular mission teams from Northbrook.

Offertory

*Nearer, My God, to Thee*  
Margareta Wesolowska

arr. Dan Forrest

\*Doxology

UMH 94

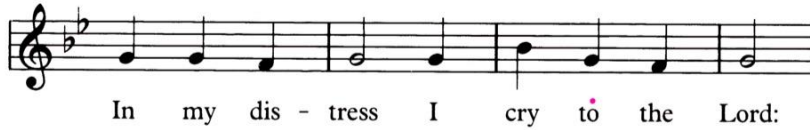
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Psalter

Psalm 130

UMH 848

## Psalm 130

Ps. 120:1-2a  
Jane Marshall**RESPONSE** (*Lent, Funerals and Memorial Services & General*)**R**

- 1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
- 2 Lord, hear my voice!  
**Let your ears be attentive  
to the voice of my supplications!**
- 3 If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?
- 4 **But there is forgiveness with you,  
that you may be worshiped.**
- 5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,  
in the Lord's word I hope;
- 6 **my soul waits for the Lord  
more than those who watch for the morning,  
more than those who watch for the morning.**
- 7 O Israel, hope in the Lord!  
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,  
with the Lord is plenteous redemption.
- 8 **And the Lord will redeem Israel  
from all iniquities. R**

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## Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Josh McDaniel

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 trespasses, as we forgive  
 those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us  
 from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.  
 Amen.

Anthem	<i>In the Rifted Rock I'm Resting</i> Chancel Choir	arr. Lee Dengler
*Scripture Reading	Mark 2:23 – 3:6	
Sermon	A Sabbath Community	Rev. Laurie Moeller
*Closing Hymn	<i>Be Still, My Soul</i>	UMH 534

# Be Still, My Soul



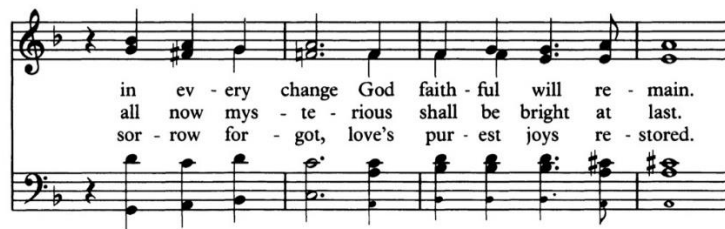
1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.  
 2. Be still, my soul: your God will un - der - take  
 3. Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on



Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain;  
 to guide the fu - ture, as in a - ges past,  
 when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord,

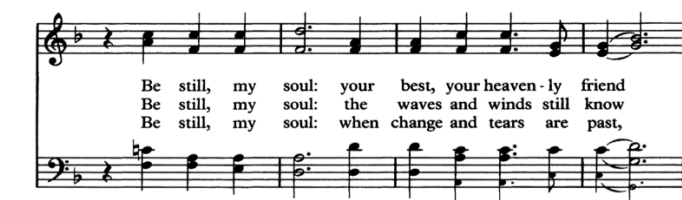


leave to your God to or - der and pro - vide;  
 Your hope, your con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;  
 when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,



in ev - ery change God faith - ful will re - main.  
 all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.  
 sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.

## STRENGTH IN TRIBULATION



Be still, my soul: your best, your heaven - ly friend  
 Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
 Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,



through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
 the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.  
 all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.



\*Benediction

Rev. Laurie Moeller

\*Congregational Response

Go forth for God, go to the world in peace;  
Be of good courage, armed with heav'nly grace.  
In God's good Spirit daily to increase;  
Go forth for God, go to the world in peace.

### **New Membership Response**

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

### ***Holy Week Services***

#### **Palm Sunday Service | March 24 | 9 & 11 a.m.**

Palm Sunday will be regular service times:

The Brook at 9 a.m. and Traditional at 11 a.m.

#### **Maundy Thursday Service | March 28 | 6:30 p.m. | Simmons Hall**

Maundy Thursday, March 28th, we will have a more modern, kinesthetic, active participation worship service ending in a soup dinner. This service will be held in Simmons Hall, around the table, and very family-friendly and child accessible. People of all ages will enjoy being around the table with other congregants.

To provide soup for this service, please sign up using the QR code.



#### **Good Friday Service | March 29 | 6:30 p.m. | Sanctuary**

We will have a Tenebrae service with beautiful poetry, reflections, and music, reflecting on the crucifixion and the events leading up to it.

#### **Easter Sunday Services | March 31**

Sunrise Service | 7 a.m. | On the Lawn beside the Sanctuary

Traditional Services | 9 & 11 a.m. | Sanctuary

The Brook service will not meet on Easter Sunday.

## ***Upcoming Events***

### **Churchwide Lenten Study**

The Lent study being offered in all Sunday school classes is "Pause: Spending Lent with the Psalms," by Elizabeth F. Caldwell. If you are not currently attending a Sunday school class, you are encouraged to purchase the book and follow along during the Lent season. Books are available in the church office for \$14.

### **Easter Festival | Wednesday | March 20 | 5-7 p.m.**

Ready to cook up some fun? Easter Festival is sure to be an egg-xciting time! Bring your neighbors and enjoy the celebration; better yet, volunteer to help hide eggs, serve food, and make smeeps (S'mores + Peeps). We have opportunities to serve before, during, and after the festival!

Contact: Kena Newkirk

### **Easter Lilies | Available to Order through March 26**

Honor or remember a loved one with an Easter Lily this Lenten season. Each lily is \$15 and can be given in memory or in honor of a special person. Lilies will be in the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday and will be available to take home after the 11:00 service. Lilies left behind will be given out to those on the Northbrook prayer list and to others in the congregation and community. Reserve your lily by using the sign-up link in the Midweek Update.

Contact: Lesé Cooper

### **Save the date! | Sunday | April 21 | 4:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. | Pinkie's Up**

The Northbrook Chancel Choir will be joining Newnan FUMC Chancel Choir for a joint choir tour of Germany and Austria in December 2024. Please help us raise funds for our student interns to travel with us by purchasing tickets to our Sips & Songs Choir Tour Fundraiser. This will be an evening of Jazz Classics & Original Songs with Auriyan & Friends. The event will be at Pinkie's Up, April 21st, at 4pm or 6pm

Contact: Chad Hunt

## ***Northbrook Students (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades)***

### **Student Sundays in the Summit | 9:50-10:45 a.m and 5:30-7:00 p.m.**

Youth are encouraged to join us in discipleship, fun, and community building each Sunday for morning Bible study and fellowship. Return Sunday evenings for dinner, games, worship, and small groups.

Contact: Rev. Kena Newkirk

## ***KidNorth***

### **KidNorth Sunday School Substitute teacher assistants needed!**

Substitute Teacher Assistants are needed periodically for our 2nd through 5th graders in KidNorth. The Sunday School class meets from 9:50-10:50.

Contact: Christy Merritt

### **Joyful Noise | Sundays | 9:50 AM | Room 202**

Worship is a way of life, so bring your 2nd-5th graders to this engaging program that focuses on learning songs to lead in Sunday worship.

Contact: Auriyan Tillman

### **Godly Play | Sundays | 9:50 AM | Room 211**

There is a new Sunday school curriculum for children PreK, Kindergarten, and first grade called Godly Play. Delve into the enchanting world of Godly Play and unlock the power of storytelling, wonder, and spiritual discovery. Traditional Sunday school will continue to be offered.

Contact: Christy Merritt

## ***Opportunities to Serve***

### **Provide Dinner for the Young Adult Bible Study | Tuesdays | 6:30 p.m.**

Support our young adults by bringing dinner to their small group Bible study. This group is for college aged, twenty-something and recent high school graduates just starting their professional journey.

Dinner should be for about 8 people and dropped off on Tuesday by 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Use the QR code to sign up or contact: Auriyan Tillman



### **Volunteer with Food Truck Party VBS 2024 | June 23-27**

Registration is now open for VBS Volunteers. There will be several volunteer training opportunities closer to VBS. We will have an Orientation for families on Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 5-7 p.m. and a volunteer appreciation lunch on Thursday at 1 p.m.

Contact: Christy Merritt

### **Guatemala Mission Trip | April 1-8, 2024**

Another mission team is assembling to travel to serve with our Mission Partner, Love Serve, in Guatemala, April 1-8. No skills are needed to participate in this life changing experience. Youth and their parents will be granted a special scholarship, up to 75% of the cost of the trip.

Contact: Mike Johnson, [johnsmst@gmail.com](mailto:johnsmst@gmail.com)

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

Northbrook UMC has a web page for viewing all our volunteer opportunities in one place. Current opportunities include serving as an usher or greeter on Sunday mornings, providing meals to youth on Sunday nights and much more. Please visit the volunteer page at [northbrookumc.com](http://northbrookumc.com) and click on the **Get Involved** tab.

## ***Opportunities to Grow***

### **Labyrinth**

Pause for Lent using Northbrook's Labyrinth made by Dorothy Hightower and Emily Nash. The labyrinth is set up in the choir suite and will be available during regular office hours and Sunday mornings. There is more information on how to walk the labyrinth on social media and in choir suite.

### **Young Adult Bible Study | Tuesdays, 7 p.m. | Room 205**

Discover timeless wisdom and explore how the teachings of the Bible relate to your modern life. Together, let's grow spiritually, build lasting friendships, and navigate life's challenges with faith. Come be a part of a vibrant, welcoming space where your voice matters. Dinner provided. If you are interested in providing dinner, please let Auriyan know.

Contact: Auriyan Tillman

### **Are You Listening?—Conversations with God | Sunday evenings | 5:00-6:30 PM | Various dates January to May | Room: 233**

Contact: Bruce Fielden, [brucefielden42@gmail.com](mailto:brucefielden42@gmail.com)

### **Mom's Bible Study | Tuesdays | 9:30 AM | Room 213**

Take a break from your busy schedule for coffee, conversation, and Christ-centered community. Join us on Tuesdays at 9:30 in Room 213. We will continue the journey of faith and parenting. We will study women from the Bible.

Contact: Rev. Kena Newkirk

### **Spring Bible Study | Thursday evenings | Zoom | 7:30 p.m.**

Jennifer Smalley will be leading a new Thursday evening Bible study via Zoom beginning April 11 at 7:30 pm. The 6-week study "Surrendered," by Barb Roose teaches six principles that lead to a surrendered life by comparing/contrasting Jesus' time of testing in the wilderness to the Israelites 40 years of wandering in the wilderness. This study will equip you to give up control, reach for God, let go of fear, and experience the blessings of a surrendered life. Participants should purchase their own workbook (available on Amazon, Cokesbury and Christianbook.com) before the class starts.

Contact: Jennifer Smalley, [jenniferismalley@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferismalley@gmail.com)

## **Spring Bible Study | Thursdays | 10:30 a.m.**

A new 7-week study will begin on Thursday mornings at 10:30 am on April 11 entitled "For His Glory: A Study of Ephesians," by Marian Jordan Ellis. This is an in-depth study of the book of Ephesians in which Marian invites us on a journey to discover our true worth in Christ, our status as beloved children of God, and our glorious calling as His masterpiece. The class will be led by Leigh Ann Launius.

See the **Midweek Update** to sign up.

## ***Opportunities to Pray***

### **Northbrook Prayer Team**

Are you interested in praying for our members, families, and community and to actively encourage prayer within the life of the church?

Contact: Leigh Ann Launius, ([lalaunius@gmail.com](mailto:lalaunius@gmail.com))

### **March Prayer Focus**

The Prayer Focus for **March** is for the Northbrook Confirmation class of 2024. Please pray for the fourteen students as they study and prepare for their confirmation on Sunday, March 24. Our 2024 Confirmands are: Antonio, Grayson, Hudson, Neal, James, Rita, Harlow, Rollins, Macy, Chris, Gabi, Sarah, Mae, and Allison.

### **Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Shirley Adams, Jamie Beliveau, Jan Boyea, Will Carter, Carolyn Hutchinson, Patty Jordan, John Lee, Linda Minter, James Mintz, Dennis Nunnally, Rae Siders, Jean Taylor, Ann Warren, and Jerome Young.

### **Additional Prayer Concerns:**

Tom Adams, The Ake Family, Arvin Abernethy, Carson Acker, Cindy Bailey, Peter Beliveau, Huss Beutell, Wayne Bryan, Janet Beyer, Larry Carter, Robert Chinn (Joanne Baxter), Danny Cornell, Mitzi Dupree, David Etris (Faye Westbrook), Ted Ezelle, Virginia Fagan (Tony Fagan), Emmy Lou Faubert, Linda Franks, Philip Gaulin, The family of Joanne Gibson (Dianne Hiers), Jane Greene, Lynn Haldaman, Michelle Heil, Deb Herrin, Dianne Hiers, Sally Hodges, Don Irvine, Frank Jeffries, Sophie Knapp, Nirmala Kunavarapu, Janette Langston, The Lee Family, Ann Livesay, Bill Livesay, Nancy Mastin, Bob Matthis, Chuck Musker, Hazel Jo Pasha, Julie Pine, Susan Potter, Lorene Rhoney, James Rusnak (Matt Rusnak) René Shatterfield (Faye Westbrook), Nancy Tretinik, Ann Warren, Marlene Warren, Faye Westbrook, Deidre White, The Whitlock Family, Monica Williamson, Renea Winchester and The Woody family (Sarah Swanner).

***Visit [www.northbrookumc.com/prayer](http://www.northbrookumc.com/prayer) to share prayer concerns.***

## **Altar Flowers**

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God **in loving memory of Jan Holcombe by Bill Holcombe, Betty Mullennix, Jill and Marc Johnson.**

Altar flowers are possible through your donations and dedications.

Use the QR code to sign up for Altar Flowers.



## **Stephen Ministry**

Someone to care, listen, and share God's love can help you make it through grief, loneliness, or other stressful times. To connect with a Stephen Minister call Mike Johnson at **404-550-2860** or Elaine Riddle at **678-435-3354**.

## **News from Northbrook**

For more news and updates, use the QR code to access the **Midweek Update**.



## **Giving**

Use the QR code and it will take you directly to the "Give Online" link.





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