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January 28, 2024
Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany
11:00 AM

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January 28, 2024
Order of Worship | 11:00 AM

Welcome and Announcements

Leslie Bowers

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

You Are My All in All
Mary Holliday

arr. Marianne Kim

*Call to Worship

Rev. Kena Newkirk

God comes into a world filled with uncertainties and darkness.

God seeks out the voids of belief and conviction.

God embraces the wounded and the broken.

God knocks down the walls of division and strife.

God is the candle shining in the darkness of our days.

God is the light of our lives.

God is the one who makes all things new.

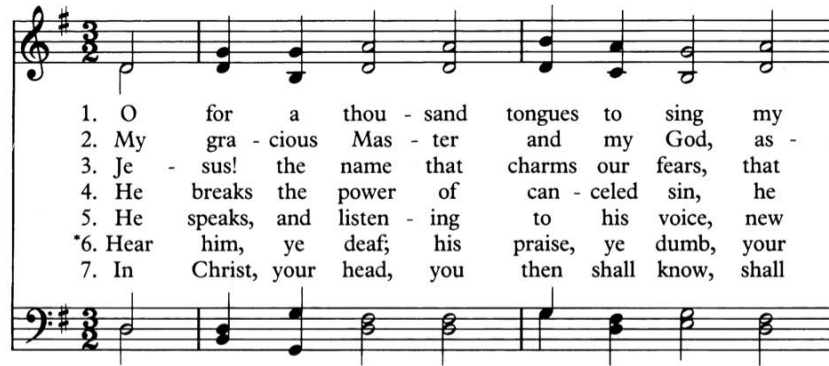
Praise be to God, now and forevermore!

*Opening Hymn

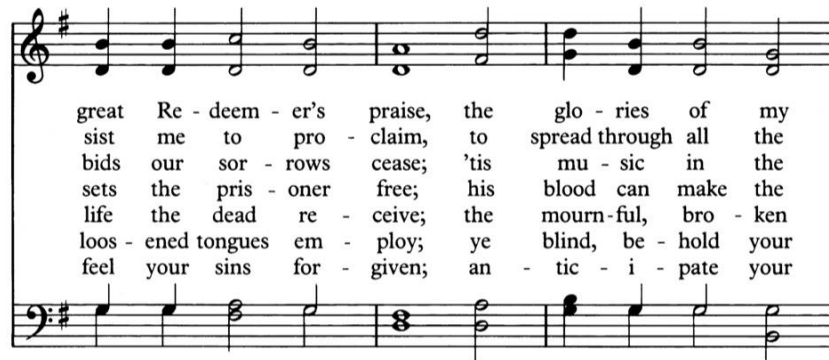
O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

UMH 57
vv 1, 2, 3, 4

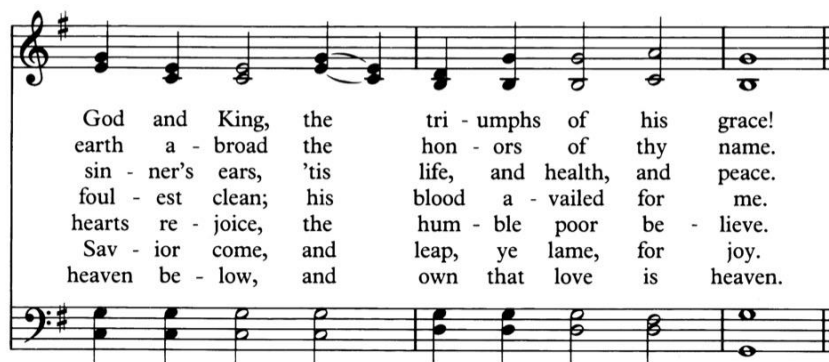
O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing 57



1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 3. Je - sus! the name that charms our fears, that
 4. He breaks the power of can - celed sin, he
 5. He speaks, and listen - ing to his voice, new
 *6. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your
 7. In Christ, your head, you then shall know, shall



great Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'tis mu - sic in the
 sets the pris - oner free; his blood can make the
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful, bro - ken
 loos - ened tongues em - ploy; ye blind, be - hold your
 feel your sins for - given; an - tic - i - pate your



God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
 sin - ner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.
 foul - est clean; his blood a - vailed for me.
 hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 Sav - ior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.
 heaven be - low, and own that love is heaven.

*May be omitted

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739
 MUSIC: Carl G. Gläser; arr. by Lowell Mason, 1839

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Alt. tune: RICHMOND

*Creed

Apostles' Creed

UMH 881

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

Offertory Prayer

Rev. Josh McDaniel

Offering

*Text NUMC and a dollar amount to **73256**. Give online at
www.northbrookumc.com/give.*

January's Altar Rail Gift is for **The North Georgia Housing and Homeless Council**. The NGHHC is an administrative agency of the North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church created to partner with and support churches and other organizations that are ministering to those experiencing poverty and homelessness. The NGHHC awards grants to churches and non-profits that provide housing, food pantries, rental and utility assistance, clothing closets, and other services to our neighbors in need.

Offertory

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
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

Psalms 111

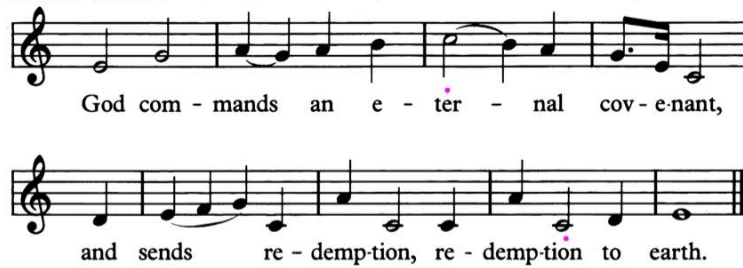
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Psalm 111

Ps. 111:9

RESPONSE 1 (*Christmas & General*)

Jane Marshall



Harrell Beck (Ps. 111:2a)

Don E. Saliers

RESPONSE 2 (*General*)**R**

- 1 Praise the Lord.

**I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

- 2 Great are the works of the Lord,
studied by all who have pleasure in them.

- 3 **Full of honor and majesty are the works of the Lord
whose righteousness endures for ever,**

- 4 who has caused his wonderful works to be remembered;
the Lord is gracious and merciful.

- 5 **The Lord provides food for the faithful
and is ever mindful of his covenant. R**

- 6 The Lord has shown his people the power of his works
by giving them the heritage of the nations.

- 7 **The works of the Lord's hands are faithful and just;
the precepts of the Lord are trustworthy;**

- 8 **they are established for ever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

- 9 The Lord sent redemption to his people
and has commanded his covenant for ever.
Holy and wondrous is God's name!

- 10 **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
The praise of the Lord endures for ever. R**

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Martha Fielden

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

At the Name of Jesus
Chancel Choir

arr. Denny Dawson

*Scripture Reading

Mark 1: 21-28

Sermon

"What Have You to Do With Us?"

Rev. Josh McDaniel

*Closing Hymn

This is a Day of New Beginnings

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Unison

1. This is a day of new be - gin - nings,
 2. For by the life and death of Je - sus,
 3. Then let us, with the Spir - it's dar - ing,
 4. Christ is a - live, and goes be - fore us
 *5. In faith we'll gath - er round the ta - ble

time to re - mem - ber and move on,
 God's might - y Spir - it, now as then,
 step from the past and leave be - hind
 to show and share what love can do.
 to taste and share what love can do.

time to be - lieve what love is bring - ing,
 can make for us a world of dif - ference,
 our dis - ap - point - ment, and griev - ing,
 This is a day of new be - gin - nings;
 This is a day of new be - gin - nings;

lay - ing to rest the pain that's gone.
 as faith and hope are born a - gain.
 seek - ing new paths, and sure to find.
 our God is mak - ing all things new.
 our God is mak - ing all things new.

1-3 4 or 5

*Alternate text for Holy Communion

WORDS: Brian Wren, 1978; alt. 1987 (Rev. 21:5)

MUSIC: Carlton R. Young, 1984

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*Benediction

Rev. Josh McDaniel

*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.

Upcoming Events

Northbrook's First Annual Chili Cook-Off | TODAY, 12:00 p.m. | Simmons Hall

Red Chili or White Chili? It will be the right chili if you join in the fun and fellowship on Sunday, Jan. 28 in the Simmons Fellowship Hall. There will be a lot of great chili, hot dogs, and cookies. Please bring a six pack of men's socks to donate for the homeless served by Trinity Table.

Contact: Ed Sircy, (esircy45@gmail.com) or Rob Meeks, (rob_m_meeks@yahoo.com)

Lent Devotional | Deadline February 1

Lent is quickly approaching, and we are assembling our Lent Community Devotional. These will be printed and available for everyone to help draw us closer to God as we walk the Lenten pathway in 2024. Submissions must be 250-300 words based on a Psalm text. See the Midweek Update to sign up.

Canned Food Drive | February 4-February 11 | Donation Center, Portico

Boy Scout Troop 985, chartered by Northbrook UMC, is hosting a Canned Food Drive for North Fulton Community Charities. On Sunday, February 11, the Scouts will be present to collect canned food. Food can also be dropped at the bin at the Donation Center on the Portico starting Sunday, February 4th. The items most needed include rice, peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna and chicken, tomato products, pasta and sauce, full-sized toiletries, dried beans, juice boxes, and adult and children's diapers.

American Red Cross Blood Drive | Tuesday, Feb. 6, 3:00-7:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Northbrook UMC will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, February 6th in Simmons Fellowship Hall from 3-7 p.m. You can sign up to save a life by scanning the QR code to reserve your time.



Town Hall Meeting | Feb. 18, 2:00 p.m. & Feb. 21, 7:00 p.m. | Simmons/Fellowship Hall

There will be a Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, Feb. 18 at 2:00 p.m. and again on Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the sale of the Christ UMC property. Both meetings will take place in the Simmons/Fellowship Hall.

Music

The Chancel Choir has begun rehearsing Holy Week and Easter music. If you are interested in joining for the Easter season,
Contact: Chad Hunt

Northbrook Students (6th-12th grades)

Student Sundays in the Summit | 9:50-10:45 AM and 5:30-7:00 PM

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

Confirmation 2024 | Begins January 28

Middle School students are invited to experience this sacred tradition. During the confirmation, young people claim their love of God through Jesus Christ as they become church members. Classes conclude on March 24 with Confirmation Sunday.

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 Merrit

Opportunities to Serve

Make Dinner for the Youth | Sundays at 5:30 p.m.

We need volunteers to make dinner for the youth of Northbrook Students on Sunday nights. Sign up using the link in the Midweek.

Contact: Rev. Kena Newkirk

Habitat for Humanity | Saturday, March 2 & 9

Northbrook will assist the Smith family, a mother and two daughters, with several Habitat Builds early in 2024. Sign up using the link in the Midweek.

Contact: Brent Richardson at 704-995-4920.

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

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 and click on the **Get Involved** tab.

Opportunities to Grow

Winter Bible Studies

Young Adult Bible Study | January 23, 7 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

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.

Contact: Auriyan Tillman

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

See the Midweek Update to sign up.

**Forgiving What You Can't Forget | Mondays | 6:30-8:00 PM | Jan. 8-Feb. 19
Room 206**

See the Midweek Update to sign up.

Surrendered: Letting Go and Living Like Jesus | Thursdays | 10:30 am– 12 | Jan. 11-Feb. 22 Room: 228

See the Midweek Update to sign up.

**Being United Methodist Christians | Sundays | 10:00-10:45 a.m. | Jan. 7-Feb. 11
Room 205**

A special class on the book Being United Methodist Christians will be offered on Sunday mornings from 10:00 am - 10:45 am from Jan 7 - Feb 11 in room 205 for those not studying the book in a Sunday school class. All are welcome to learn more about being a United Methodist in this post-split era. Worship sermons will tie into this study.

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

Beading Craft Event and Lenten Prayer Study | Jan. 31, Feb. 6, Feb. 7 | room 233

Northbrook women are invited to participate in a beading craft event to make protestant prayer beads!

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)

January Prayer Focus

The Prayer Focus for **January** is for Rev. Elizabeth Pollard and Rev. Josh McDaniel as they transition to their new church assignments and congregations.

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

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

Additional Prayer Concerns:

Tom Adams, The Ake Family, Arvin Abernethy, Carson Acker, Cindy Bailey, Wayne Bryan, Janet Beyer, Larry Carter, Tammy Cook, Lesé Cooper, Danny Cornell, Diane Dion, Mitzi Dupree, Ted Ezelle, Emmy Lou Faubert, Scott Fellows, Philip Gaulin, Rajan George, Joanne Gibson, Marie Givens, Jane Greene, The family of Regina Green, Lynn Haldaman, Michelle Heil, Deb Herrin, Dianne Hiers, Tanner Hicks, Don Irvine, Frank Jeffries, Margie Kellam, Janette Langston, The Lee Family, Bill Livesay, Bob Losh, Nancy Mastin, Bob Matthis, Family and friends of Dorie Moore, Julie Pine, Lorene Rhoney, Rae Siders, The Simpson and Spencer families, Nancy Tretinik, Ann Warren, Marlene Warren, The family of Ric West, Faye Westbrook, The family of Tom Westfall, The Whitlock Family, and Monica Williamson.

Visit www.northbrookumc.com/prayer to share prayer concerns.

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are possible through your donations and dedications. To sign up visit bit.ly/NUMCflowers

The Flower Ministry is looking for additional people to join the Monday rotation of repurposing flowers and for others to become a Monday substitute deliverer.

Contact: Emily Johnson, johnsmst@bellsouth.net

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, scan the QR code with your smart phone to access the **Midweek Update**.



Giving

We have a QR code to make your giving easier. Open your smartphone camera, hold it up to the QR code and once focused, you will see **onrealm.org**. Tap on the QR code and it will take you directly to the "Give Online" link. QR code for giving:



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