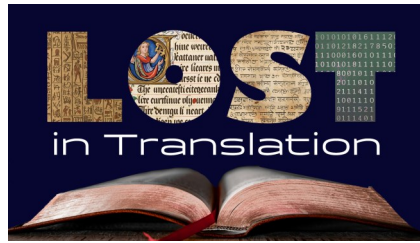


Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Luke 18:1-8

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

Scott Ayers

WELCOME

Rev. Virzola Law

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Leader: Christ is with us;

People: Christ is in our midst.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** — written by John Birch, and posted on Faith and Worship.

One: Let us never give up praying for justice,

Many: or the oppressed in this world will one day ask us ‘Why?’

One: Let us never give up praying for fairness,

Many: or the hungry of this world will one day ask us ‘Why?’

One: Let us never give up praying for healing,

Many: or the sick in this world will one day ask us ‘Why?’

One: Let us never give up praying,

Many: for to give up is to deny our faith in a God who answers prayer.

All: Let us worship together as a community of faith.

***OPENING HYMN** — *For Everyone Born* (vv. 1-3)

*For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead,*

Refrain: *and God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!*

*For woman and man, a place at the table, revising the roles, deciding the share,
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power, for woman and man, a system that’s fair,*

Refrain

*For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old, the right to belong,*

Refrain



Please register your attendance here:

Connect to NCC Guest Wi-Fi with password: **BeOurGuest!**

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

WE RESPOND

MORNING PRAYER

Rev. Virzola Law

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Chesna Barcroft

PASSING THE PEACE

As part of our Table-centered spirituality, the “peace of Christ” is offered as a sign of our reconciliation to God and neighbor. It is a visible symbol of our being “a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world,” preparing us to “welcome all to the Lord’s Table as God has welcomed us.”

COMMUNION HYMN — #403 *In Remembrance of Me* (vv. 1-2)

In remembrance of me, eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine.

In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God’s own will is done.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick. In remembrance of me, feed the poor.

In remembrance of me, open the door and let your neighbor in, let them in.

Take, eat, and be comforted; drink and remember too.

That this is my body and precious blood shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of me, search for truth. In remembrance of me, always love.

In remembrance of me, don’t look above, but in your heart look for God.

Do this in remembrance of me.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Rev. Chesna Barcroft

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

Sue Ann Ruth and Ike Rahn

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 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.**

Leader: The Body of Christ was given for us.

People: Amen

Leader: The Blood of Christ was poured out for us.

People: Amen

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

We believe in “open communion” as a church, which means that we do not require you to be a member of Northway in order to participate in the service of the Lord’s Supper.

Remember what God has done for you in Christ and respond by faith.

You don’t have to have it all figured out or recite a creed;
it is not a requirement of the head, but an invitation addressed to your heart.

Committed to our value of an Open Table—inviting all to the table where our diversity finds unity in Christ.

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** — #46 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Rev. Chesna Barcroft

Following the Prayer of Dedication, children are invited to their own kid-friendly worship experience, *Worship Rocks*.
Preschool—K aged children will be escorted to the Nursery. Children in 1st—3rd Grade will be escorted to F-103.
Following the worship service, your children will be waiting for you in the hallway outside the Sanctuary.

WE PROCLAIM

SCRIPTURE — Luke 18:1-8

Lana Lozure

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture,
for the Word of God among us,
and for the Word of God within us:

People: Thanks be to God!

WORD IN SONG — *Help Me Lift-a-My Load* (Pepper Choplin)

Northway Chancel Choir
Johnny Brown, soloist

WE GO FORTH

THE MORNING MESSAGE — The Weight of Waiting

Rev. Virzola Law

INVITATION

***INVITATION HYMN** — *For Everyone Born* (vv. 1, 4-5)

*For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead,*

Refrain: *and God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!*

*For just and unjust, a place at the table, abuser, abused, with need to forgive,
in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy, for just and unjust, a new way to live, Refrain*

*For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free, Refrain*

BENEDICTION

Rev. Virzola Law

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Scott Ayers

Following the worship service, an Elder will remain at the front
of the sanctuary to speak or pray with congregants.



The RAH serve event will take place in Fellowship Hall this Sunday, following the worship service. Lunch will be available.

Virtual Board Meeting

Monday, October 20

6:30 pm on Zoom

Learn more at northwaychristian.org

Carter Bloodcare

BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, November 1

12:00 pm - 5:00 pm
in the Sanctuary

Register today at northwaychristian.org



From
Ethereal

to
Exultant

Inspirata in Concert
Free Admission

Sunday, November 9 at 5:00 pm, in the Sanctuary

Inspirata will present works from Hildegard von Bingen, Moses Hogan, Sergei Rachmaninoff, Rosephayne Powell, William Byrd, Eriks Esenvalds, and many more.

INSPIRATA
A COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

A LOOK AHEAD...		
10/19 Lunch before RAH Serve Event	11:45 am	F-101
10/19 Rise Against Hunger Event	12:30 pm	F-101
10/20 Tai Chi	10:30 am	F-103
10/20 Virtual Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Zoom
10/21 Mobile Food Pantry	11:30 am	Front Lot
10/22 Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm	Music Suite
10/25 Solomon's Porch (Men's Group)	7:30 am	Music Suite
10/25 Diaper Distribution	10:00 am	Circle Drive
10/26 Children's Music	9:00 am	E-112
10/26 Sunday School Classes	9:00 am	(various)
10/26 Sunday Worship Service	10:30 am	Sanctuary & Online
10/28 Mobile Food Pantry	11:30 am	Front Lot
11/01 Seeds of Faith Garden	9 am—11 am	Greater Garth Chapel
11/01 Blood Drive <i>Register at northwaychristian.org</i>	12 pm—5 pm	Sanctuary
11/02 Daylight Save Time ends	2:00 am	Fall back one hour
11/06 Solomon's Porch (Men's Group)	7:30 am	Music Suite
11/09 Inspirata Concert	5:00 pm	Sanctuary
11/11 DAI Reimagine Dallas Assembly	7 pm—8:30 pm	Temple Emanu-El

NORTHWAY WORSHIP LEADERS:

Rev. Virzola Law—Senior Minister
 Rev. Chesna Barcroft—Minister to Children,
 Youth, and Families
 Leanne Seabright—Director of Music and Worship
 Scott Ayers—Organist and Collaborative Pianist
 Dawn Ziesmer—Children's Ministry Coordinator
 Noelle Rivera—Youth Ministry Coordinator
 Neil Moseley—Director of Community Engagement
 Donna Schmidt—Children's Choir Director

GIVING OPTIONS:

Online giving is available at northwaychristian.org
 or by texting NORTHWAY to 73256.
 Gifts may also be mailed to the church office at
 7202 W. Northwest Hwy., Dallas, TX 75225

WELCOME!

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today. Northway's mission is to share Christ with those seeking meaning and purpose. That's why, in addition to worship, we also provide ways for you to discover the God we know in Jesus Christ, to connect with one another, and serve others from our front doorsteps to the ends of the earth.

We want to help you take the next step in your own search for: a church home...deeper engagement with scripture... meaningful relationships...purpose in your life. To learn more about our beliefs, history, staff, and opportunities, please visit the Welcome Center, located at the main entrance.



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