

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7)

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

Scott Ayers

WELCOME

Neil Moseley

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Leader: Christ is with us;

People: Christ is in our midst.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** — *(written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, December 2025)*

One: God meets us in surprising yet ordinary places—under a tree, in the smile of a stranger, in a refreshing breeze that comes at just the right time.

Many: God, open our hearts to notice your presence all around us.

One: God speaks to us in surprising yet ordinary ways—in a well-placed word from a friend, in a prayer that comes at just the right time, in a song that resonates through our entire being.

Many: God, open our minds to recognize your voice all around us.

One: God fulfills God's promises in surprising yet ordinary ways—in an unexpected act of kindness, in providing just what we need at just the right time, in sending someone to listen when we feel alone.

Many: God, open our hands to receive your blessings all around us.

One: Beloved, in the surprising and ordinary ways that God shows up among us, may we meet God and our neighbors with open hearts, minds, and hands, ready to encounter God's miraculous work.

All: God, open our lives to receive your blessings, that we may share together in the joy, wonder, and laughter of God's miraculous works all around us.

***OPENING HYMN** — #86 *Great is Thy Faithfulness* (vv. 1-3)

FAITHFULNESS

*Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou has been thou forever wilt be.*

Refrain: *Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided—
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

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* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

*Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (Refrain)*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*
(Refrain)

WE RESPOND

MORNING PRAYER

Neil Moseley

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Dawn Ziesmer

PASSING THE PEACE

Rev. Chesna Barcroft

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 — #426 The Voice of Jesus Calls His People (vv. 1-2)

THE VOICE OF JESUS

*The voice of Jesus calls his people, "Come to my table and be fed!"
For those who come to him believing, he is the Wine, he is the Bread.
All who are lost, or bear great burdens, all who need comfort or release,
come where the presence of Christ Jesus will nourish us with rest and peace.*

*Children and elders, men and women, whatever color, race or tongue,
in Jesus find themselves united, in him a home where they belong.
We hear your loving voice, O Jesus, we long, we hunger to be fed;
in joy we gather at the table where you are Wine, and you are Bread.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Rev. Chesna Barcroft

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

Katie Hussey and Chrissy Lasater

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—INTINCTION

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*

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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

Linda Sanchez

WE PROCLAIM

SCRIPTURE — Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7)

Bill Robinette

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 — *Nearer, My God, to Thee* (arr. by Nigel Williams)

Flute Trio:
Chesna Barcroft, Linda Funke, and Chrissy Lasater

THE MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Cara Gilger

WE GO FORTH

INVITATION

Rev. Chesna Barcroft

*INVITATION HYMN — #529 *I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me* (vv. 1, 3)

I'M SO GLAD

*I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me, I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,
I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.*

*When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me, When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,
When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.*

BENEDICTION

Rev. Cara Gilger

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Scott Ayers

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



A LOOK AHEAD...		
08/02 Handbell Session	11:45 am	Sanctuary
08/02 Meeting with the Architects & Renovation Working Group Team	Come and go 12:00—1:30 pm	F-102
08/03 Tai Chi	10:30 am	F-101
08/04 Mobile Food Pantry	11:30 am	North Parking Lot
08/05 Chancel Choir Rehearsal Resumes	7:00 pm	Music Suite
08/08 Elders Meeting	9:00 am	Conference Room
08/08 Disciples Women's Gathering	10:00 am	F-101
08/09 Gathering's Loaves & Fish Ministry	9:00 am	F-103
08/09 Promotion Sunday	9:00 am	(during Sunday School Hour)
08/09 Fidelis & Friends— <i>The Minor Prophets Bible Study</i>	9:00 am	Parlor
08/09 Caminantes Class— <i>Solito</i> Book Study	9:00 am	F-104
08/09 Transformations— <i>Inspired</i> Book Study	9:00 am	Conference Room
08/09 Intergenerational Worship Service	10:30 am	Sanctuary & Online
08/09 Noisy Offering Collected	10:30 am	(during Worship Service)
08/09 Backpack Blessing	10:30 am	(during Worship Service)
08/15 Seeds of Faith Garden Workday	9 am—12 pm	Greater Garth AMEC
08/16 Children's Music Resumes	9:00 am	E-112
08/16 Worship Rocks Resumes	10:30 am	(during Worship Service)
08/22 Diaper Distribution	10 am—12 pm	Circle Drive
09/07 Labor Day—Campus Closed		
09/08 Senior Adult Ministry Luncheon	11:30 am	F-101

NORTHWAY WORSHIP LEADERS:

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

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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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