



Northwest Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship

Making Disciples ● Making Friends ● Making a Difference

September 6, 2026

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30AM

PRELUDE

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

John Barr

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Alex Moses

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 100)

Finn McCabe

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness;
come into God's presence with singing.

All: **Know that the Lord is God.**
It is God who made us, and we belong to God.
We are God's people
and God watches over us like a good shepherd.

One: Enter the Lord's gates with thanksgiving!
Enter God's courts with praise!
Let us give thanks to the Lord and bless his name.

All: **For the Lord is good.**
God's steadfast love endures forever
and his faithfulness to all generations.

* **HYMN OF PRAISE** 620 (vs. 1-3)

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

* **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

You are invited to share words and signs of greeting and reconciliation.

* **GLORIA** Hymn 582

"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

One: The Word of the Lord.

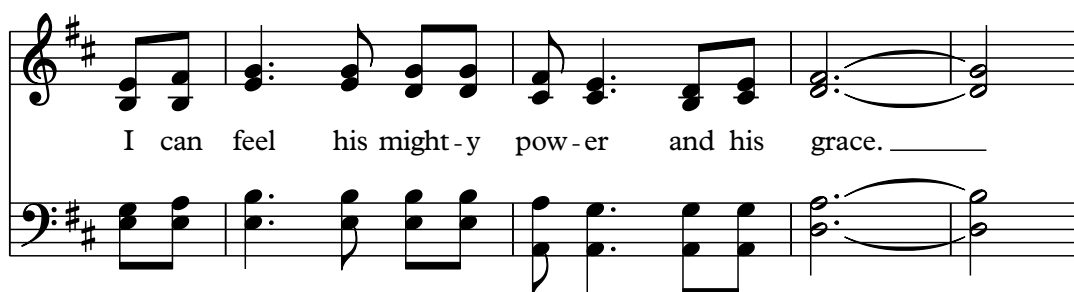
All: Thanks be to God.

* SONG RESPONSE

"Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place"



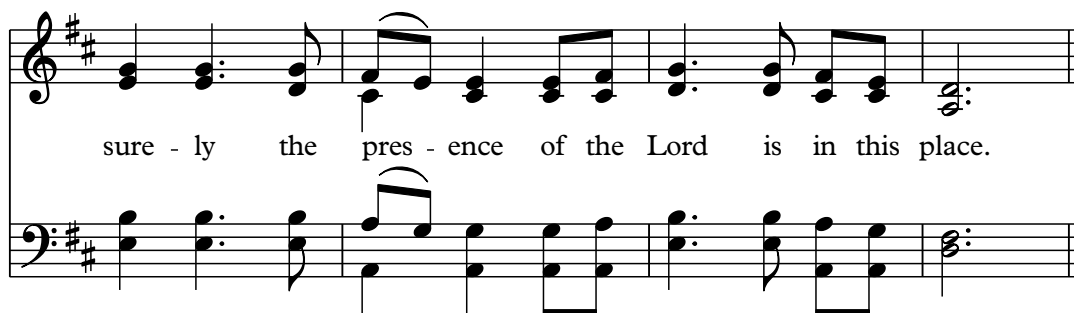
Sure - ly the pres-ence of the Lord is in this place;



I can feel his might-y pow-er and his grace. _____



I can hear the brush of an-gels' wings, I see glo - ry on each face;



sure - ly the pres - ence of the Lord is in this place.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Jacob: Wrestling with God and with Life, Week 6

Rev. Dr. Alex Moses

SOLO (Hymn 753)

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

arr. Alfred V. Fedak

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Apostle's Creed*)

Kirk Louis

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"We Remember Thee"

Jay Althouse

* SUNG RESPONSE

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 & 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.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD & THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN OF SERVICE 300 (vs. 1&2)

"We Are One in the Spirit"

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

* CHORAL BENEDICTION (*sung by choir*) *"Go Walk with God"*

Carolyn Gillette

Go walk with God in all you do,
and may God's love bring joy to you.
May gifts of peace fill all your days,
and may God's truth guide you always.

O may the grace of Christ our Lord,
the wondrous love that comes from God,
the Spirit's fellowship now be
God's gifts to you eternally.

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Madrid"

David Lasky

* Please stand as you are able.

We Remember Thee
Jay Althouse

Here, holy Lord, we see Thee face to face.
Here, gentle Lord, we feel Thy tender grace.
Here now within this blessed, holy place, we remember Thee.

Thy humble body broken in our stead; give unto us this day our daily bread
so that our hunger may be ever fed. We remember Thee.

Thus we receive Thy blessing; all praise be unto Thee.
Good and loving may we ever be.
Here now, O Lord, Thy cup we gladly take. Symbol of Thee this earthly bread we break.
Giver of life, who gave it for our sake, we remember Thee.



Northwest Presbyterian Church

September 6, 2026

Weekly Schedule of Events

Sunday Morning Discussions—9:00am

Meeting in the Session Room. Coffee & Donuts Provided.

Sunday Worship—10:30am

In person & on YouTube.

No Youth Fellowship

For more information contact kirk@npcatl.org

Choir Rehearsal after Worship

Women's Bible Study—Wednesday at 9:30am

Meeting in the Session Room and on Zoom.

Prayers

For those in need of healing:

Gordon Teel
Mary Anne Matthews
Sean Amos
Nola Hawkinson
Jeff Upchurch
Charlene Beardsley Ewing
Mary Bagwell
Mary Ann Nelson

Hattie Thore
Lt. Col. Wes Likening and family
John Bagwell
Darlene Kerscher
Jamie Kaplin
Mike Farria
Kathy Taulman Vaughan
Dee Dee Teel

For those in need of strength:

The people of Palestine & Israel
The people of Ukraine
Rev. Gamble & This Child Here
The Rev. Farouk Hammo &
Baghdad Presbyterian Church

If you would like to place a name on the prayer list, we invite you to contact the church office at admin@npcatl.org or call 404-237-5539.

If you have already shared a prayer request, we kindly ask that you keep us informed with any updates by reaching out to Lynne Schlosberg at lynnesc@comcast.net or by contacting the church office.

September Birthdays

1st Susanne Pinkerton
3rd Sam Miller
4th Hunter Burnett
5th Laura May
11th Caroline Moses
12th Sandy Simonds
19th Tuck McCabe

20th Kirk Louis
22nd Susie Rankin
23rd Maxine Smith
25th Brianna Bancherosmith
28th Mark Carrington
Jamie Milton
29th Celia Quillian

Scan this QR code with your cellphone to
access our eGiving page or visit
<https://tinyurl.com/4dbm2kp3>.



Holiday Office Closure

In observance of Labor Day, the church offices will be closed Monday, September 7.

The office will also be closed on Friday, September 4. Scott will be on vacation and Alex and Kirk are regularly scheduled to be off on Fridays.

Upcoming Northwest Events

September 13: Pie Tasting Fun after Worship

September 27: Truist Park Tour after Worship

October 4: World Communion Sunday

October 11: Scottish Sunday

October 25: Trunk or Treat

Any Way You Slice It

Get ready for a slice of fun! Join us on **Sunday, September 13**, immediately following worship, in Thorington Hall for our first ever **Pie Tasting & Auction**. Sample a delicious variety of homemade pies baked with love by members of our church family, then bid on your favorites at our live auction.

All proceeds will support replenishing kitchen equipment and utensils!

**Bakers, sign up in the Narthex.
Prizes will be awarded!**



52 Club - Support Northwest Youth Mission

Please support the mission outreach of the Northwest Youth by donating \$1 per week, or \$52 annually, designated for the "52 Club." Even with this small individual amount, if everyone contributes our youth can do amazing things in our community!

Northwest Truist Park Tour

Join your Northwest family for an exciting afternoon of fellowship and fun as we tour the home of the Atlanta Braves!



- **When:** Sunday, September 27
- **Time:** Immediately following the worship service (Tour begins at 1:00pm)
- **Cost:** \$39 per person (Includes \$27 tour ticket and a \$12.00 Publix box lunch)

What's Included:

- **Lunch Before We Go:** Skip the rush! Right after the service, we will gather in Thorington Hall for a delicious Publix meal (sandwich, chips, cookie, and a drink) before we head out.
- **The Tour:** A guided, 90-minute walking tour of Truist Park.

Transportation:

We will be taking the church van for those who would like a ride, or you are more than welcome to drive yourself and meet us there (more details to follow).

How to Sign Up:

Ready to join the fun? Head over to the Narthex after worship and add your name to the signup sheet. Please make checks payable to Northwest for \$39 per person.

Space may be limited, so be sure to secure your spot soon. More details will be shared as we get closer to the date.

Tour Highlights & Stops

- **The Dugout:** Step onto the field-level area and view the field from the player perspective.
- **Monument Garden:** Walk through the artifact displays celebrating Braves history.
- **Braves Press Box:** See the media working areas and panoramic views of the ballpark.
- **Hank Aaron Terrace:** Learn about Hank Aaron's legacy and civil rights impact.

Go Braves!

Submit Announcements to admin@npcatl.org

*Submissions are due by noon on Thursday the week before publication of the newsletters. Submissions received after the deadline will be included in the following week's publications.

Northwest Youth

September 6: No Youth Fellowship - Labor Day Weekend

September 12-13: Lake Retreat

September 20: Youth Fellowship in the Youth Lodge

For more information about these activities and the Youth program contact kirk@npcatl.org

Nursery Childcare

Nursery care is provided in Room 1 of the Children's Building, and is available from 10:15-11:45am, or at the conclusion of any after-church event. Children who are newborn through age 4 are welcome. Parents, please bring diapers, a change of clothes, and any medications or other needed items. Please do not bring food containing nuts.

Young Children & Worship

Following the Time with Young Disciples during worship, children in Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to follow Kevin Middlebrooks, Assistant Cora Bayer and an adult volunteer* upstairs to the Upper Room above the Narthex. Children will engage in a simplified and age-appropriate order of worship that includes liturgical greetings, songs of praise, and a sensorimotor style of storytelling that follows the Bible passages of the church year calendar. On communion Sundays, children will rejoin their parents for the communion portion of the service. Other Sundays, please pick up your children upstairs after the service.

*Adult volunteers needed. If interested, please contact Laura Blackburn or Maryam Sanders.

Sanctuary Flowers

Celebrate a birthday, wedding, anniversary, memorial, or any special occasion with a beautiful gift of flowers. Each week offers an opportunity to give thanks or remember someone dear by adorning our worship space with a floral dedication.

To reserve your dedication, please call 404-237-5539 or email admin@npcatl.org.

Sunday Morning Discussions

All are invited to meet in the **Session Room on Sunday mornings at 9am** for a thoughtful discussion on faith and life.

Coffee and donuts are provided.

Our new series will be **Animate: Faith**.

Each week we will watch a short video introduction by a faith leader. The topics are designed to be open and thought provoking to encourage discussion, rather than just sharing information. Come and consider questions like:

- When we say God, what do we mean? What is God about?
- What is religion? Can't I just be spiritual without being religious?
- What is Jesus about? Does it make any difference?
- Is Salvation about life after we die, or about life now?
- What does the cross reveal about who God is, and what our lives should be like?
- What is the Bible? What does it mean to us? How do we interpret it?
- Why should we go to church? What should church be like?

Women's Bible Study

Our Bible Study resumes September 2 at 9:30am. Our initial study will be The Minor Prophets (Part 1). Using the LifeChange series available at

<https://tinyurl.com/5n6usf5u>.

We meet in a hybrid format - in the Session Room and on Zoom, <https://tinyurl.com/36kn2h22>.

All women are welcome.

Be A Greeter



Be the first to say hello to friends and greet visitors arriving for worship. Greeters play an important part in welcoming newcomers and helping them get to where they need to be. Reserve your spot on SignUp Genius using the QR Code.

For more information contact a member of the Worship Team: Harriett Kelly, Rob Rankin, or Jeff Upchurch.

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, **we welcome you to Northwest**, with the hope that this service of worship will be for you an experience of real communion with God and God's children. If you have not found a church home in Atlanta, we hope you will consider joining with us in worship, study, fellowship, and service. There is a place for you here in which you can both give and receive. ***Come join us!***

The Ministers

All of the Members of the Northwest Presbyterian Congregation

The Session

Class of 2027

Laura Blackburn, *E*
Cathy Ealick, *M*
Harriett Kelly, *W*
Rob Rankin, *W*

C=Connections
M=Mission

Class of 2028

Carroll Harris, *S*
Curt Thompson, *M*
Jeff Upchurch, *W*
Anneke Woodward, *S*

E=Education
W=Worship

Class of 2029

Jennifer McCabe, *E*
Bill Mulkeen, *C*
Paul Sanders, *C*
Kerry Parker, *C*

S=Stewardship

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Alex Moses
Clerk: Ezra Jones
Treasurer: Karen Taylor

The Staff

Rev. Dr. Alex Moses, Pastor
Kirk Louis, Interim Director of Youth & Congregational Ministries
Dr. Clinton Smith, Director of Music & Organist
Scott Mize, Director of Operations

Music used by Permission. CCLI License #2547383.
Permission to perform and stream the music in this service obtained from
CCLI Streaming License # 20025183
CCS WORSHIPcast License #8023. All rights reserved.

Scan this QR code with your cellphone to
access our eGiving page or visit
<https://tinyurl.com/4dbm2kp3>.



Northwest Presbyterian Church
4300 Northside Drive, NW Atlanta, GA 30327
404-237-5539 • www.npcatl.org

