



Northwest Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship

Making Disciples • Making Friends • Making a Difference

October 11, 2025

20th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30AM

PRELUDE

"Highland Cathedral"
Tom Crawford, bagpipe

Roever & Korb

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rob Rankin

INTRODUCTION TO SCOTTISH SUNDAY

* PROCESSION OF THE BIBLE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Alex Moses

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Let all the earth acclaim God.

People: Let us worship God, and sing to the glory of his name.

* HYMN (printed on page 3)

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE

THE PRAYERS

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 25:31-46

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

* **HYMN** (*printed on page 4*)

"Come Now, You Blessed, Eat at My Table"

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Dr. Alex Moses

SPECIAL MUSIC

"When the Piper Plays/Simple Gifts"

traditional

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"The Jesus Lens – What Gets Noticed"

Rev. Dr. Alex Moses

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*A Statement of Faith of the Church of Scotland, 1992*)

We believe in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. God is love.

We praise God the Father:

who created the universe and keeps it in being.

**He has made us his sons and daughters to share his joy,
living together in justice and peace,
caring for his world and for each other.**

We proclaim Jesus Christ, God the Son:

**born of Mary, by the power of the Holy Spirit,
he became one of us, sharing our life and our death.**

**He made known God's compassion and mercy,
giving hope and declaring forgiveness of sin,
offering healing and wholeness to all.**

**By his death on the cross and by his resurrection,
he has triumphed over evil.**

Jesus is Lord of life and of all creation.

We trust God the Holy Spirit:

**who unites us to Christ and gives life to the Church;
who brings us to repentance and assures us of forgiveness.**

**The Spirit guides us in our understanding of the Bible,
renews us in the sacraments,
and calls us to serve God in the world.**

We rejoice in the gift of eternal life:

**we have sure and certain hope of resurrection through Christ,
and we look for his coming again to judge the world.**

**Then all things will be made new; and creation will rejoice
in worshiping the Father, through the Son,
in the power of the Spirit,
one God, blessed forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

* **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 THANKSGIVING & 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.

* **HYMN** (printed on page 5)

"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"

* **BLESSING**

RECESSIONAL

"Scotland the Brave"

traditional

* Please stand as you are able.

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

1 Our God, our help in a - ges past, our
 2 Be - neath the shad - ow of thy throne thy
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are

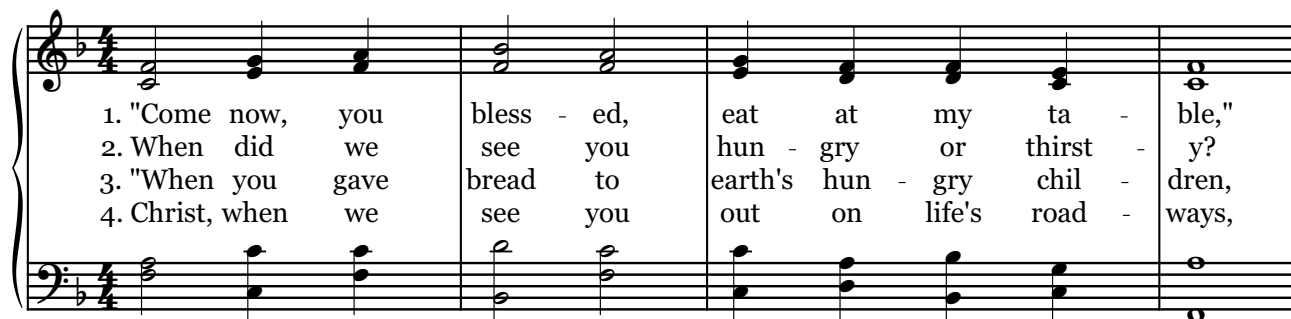
hope for years to come, our shel - ter from the
 saints have dwelt se - cure; suf - fi - cient is thine
 earth re - ceived its frame, from ev - er - last - ing
 like an eve - ning gone, short as the watch that

storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

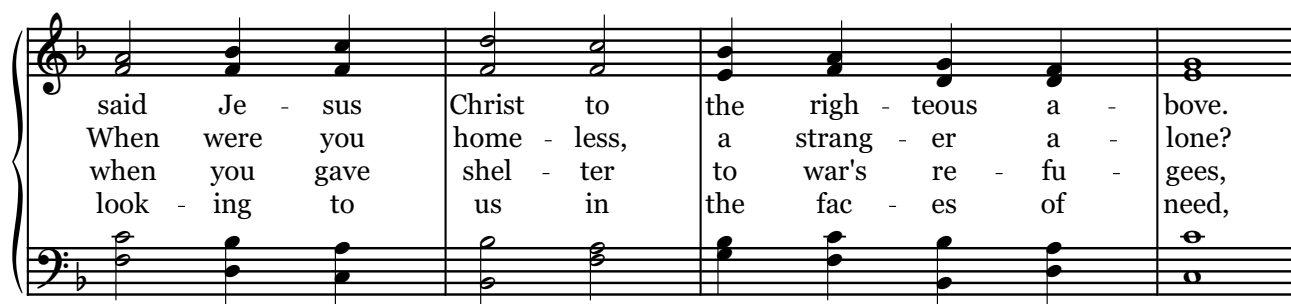
5 Time, like an ever rolling stream,
 bears all our years away;
 they fly forgotten, as a dream
 dies at the opening day.

6 Our God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,
 be thou our guard while life shall last,
 and our eternal home.

Come Now, You Blessed, Eat at My Table



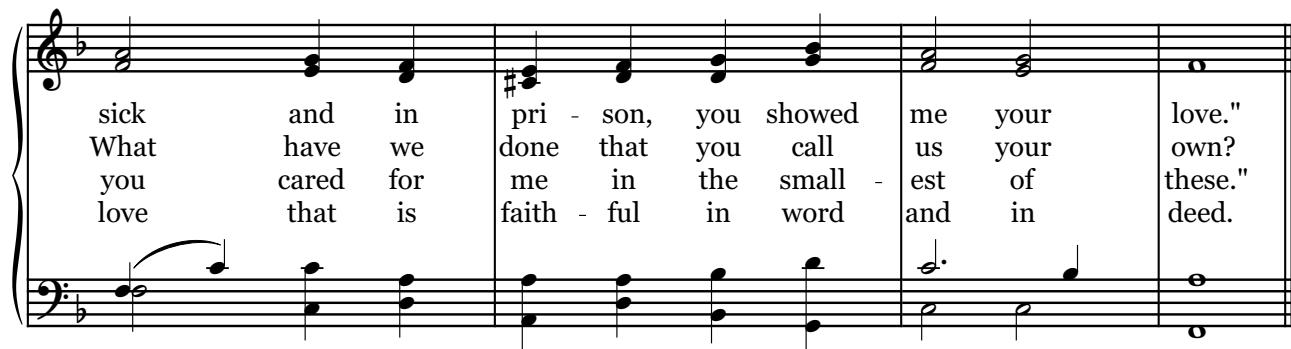
1. "Come now, you bless - ed, eat at my ta - ble,"
 2. When did we see you hun - gry or thirst - y?
 3. "When you gave bread to earth's hun - gry chil - dren,
 4. Christ, when we see you out on life's road - ways,



said Je - sus Christ to the righ - teous a - bove.
 When were you home - less, a strang - er a - lone?
 when you gave shel - ter to war's re - fu - gees,
 look - ing to us in the fac - es of need,



"When I was hun - gry, thirst - y, and home - less,
 When did we see you sick or in pri - son?
 when you re - mem - bered those most for - got - ten,
 then may we know you, wel - come and show you



sick and in pri - son, you showed me your love."
 What have we done that you call us your own?
 you cared for me in the small - est of these."
 love that is faith - ful in word and in deed."

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

1 I greet thee, who my sure Re - deem - er art,
 2 Thou art the King of mer - cy and of grace,
 3 Thou art the life, by which a - lone we live,
 4 Thou hast the true and per - fect gen - tle - ness;
 5 Our hope is in no oth - er save in thee;

my on - ly trust and Sav - ior of my heart,
 reign - ing om - ni - po - tent in ev - ery place;
 and all our sub - stance and our strength re - ceive;
 no harsh - ness hast thou and no bit - ter - ness.
 our faith is built up - on thy prom - ise free;

who pain didst un - der - go for my poor sake;
 so come, O King, and our whole be - ing sway;
 sus - tain us by thy faith and by thy power,
 O grant to us the grace we find in thee,
 Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,

I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
 shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
 and give us strength in ev - ery try - ing hour.
 that we may dwell in per - fect u - ni - ty.
 that in thy strength we ev - er - more en - dure.



Northwest Presbyterian Church

October 11, 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.

Scottish Sunday Luncheon after Worship

Choir Rehearsal after Worship

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

Meeting in the Session Room and on Zoom.

Men's Bible Study—Wednesday at 10:00am

Meeting in the Youth Lodge and on Zoom.

Prayers

For those in need of healing:

Gordon Teel
Sean Amos
Nola Hawkinson
Jeff Upchurch
Judi Bayer
Charlene Beardsley Ewing
Mary Bagwell

Mary Ann Nelson

Hattie Thore
John Bagwell
Kathy Taulman Vaughan
Dee Dee Teel

For those who have died:

Charles Goodrich

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.

October Birthdays

10th Penny Carrington
12th Angelique Martinez
13th Martha Greenway
16th Craig Camp
Louise Hull
Gordon Teel
18th Lisa Bridges
22nd Marilyn McCown

23rd David Massey
25th John Brown
Kaye Mulkeen
27th Allison Camp
30th Carolyn Amos
Judy Wagner
31st Lucy Mulkeen

Upcoming Northwest Events

October 25: Trunk or Treat

November 1: Our Daily Bread Breakfast

November 8: Stewardship Appreciation Lunch

November 15: Bashor Night Shelter Project after Worship

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!

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



Trunk or Treat - October 25, 4:30-6pm

A Halloween Event &

Northwest Tradition not to be missed!

We need volunteers! There are signup sheets in the Narthex for volunteer opportunities: trunk treaters, greeters, popcorn poppers, game coordinators & more! This is a great opportunity for outreach to our community, and to showcase our beautiful campus and friendly members. Sign up on the sheets in the Narthex or contact Bill Mulkeen for more information.

Most important, we need you to attend! Come join the fun as we welcome hundreds of families to our campus for a fun and safe community event. Highlights include the Halloween Blowups, Kona Ice, and more. Contact Bill Mulkeen for more information.

Come one, come all;
for a **SPOOKTACULAR** time!

Nursery Childcare

Nursery care is provided in the **Upper Room of the Sanctuary**, and is available from 9:00-11:45am, 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.

Northwest Youth

October 18: Youth Fellowship in the Youth Lodge

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

Our Daily Bread Breakfast

November 1 at 9:15am

- Sign up in the narthex or by contacting the office
- Full breakfast with pancakes, eggs, and sausage (\$12 per person collected at the door)
- Brief discussion based on Robert Short's "The Gospel According to Peanuts" looking at the antics of Charlie Brown, Snoopy, and friends to help us think about Christian ideas
- Watch "A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving"
- This will be the first of monthly breakfasts, each with a different topic!

Pancake Breakfast!



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.

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.

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 10am.

We meet in a hybrid format - in the Youth Lodge and on Zoom, <https://tinyurl.com/ckwdyked>.

All men are welcome.

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.

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

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