



*We welcome all.*

*North Decatur Presbyterian Church is called by God to be a community of faith and worship, dedicated to Christian education and nurture so that we may go into the world to serve, work for peace and justice and share God's love with all people.*

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## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 22, 2020

*25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

11:00AM

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### PREPARATION & ADORATION

WELCOME SONG

GATHER US IN

*Here in This Place*

David Leonard, guitar, Gillian Hollis, banjolele, Alice Hickcox, flute, Annie Godfrey, banjo  
Vocals by the NDPC Zoom Choir

WELCOME

Rev. Erin Reed Cooper

CENTERING PRAYER

*In the silence, receive the love of God that is God's gift to you. Place your hand on your heart and feel the assurance that God's blessing finds you where you are on this day.*

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PASSING THE PEACE

*During the Passing of the Peace, share a sign of peace with others in your home and greet others who are worshipping online by writing messages in the comment/chat section.*

\*GRATEFUL RESPONSE

GLORY TO GOD

"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 was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.  
World without end, without end, Amen (3x)  
As was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**PROCLAMATION**

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25:31-46

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Close the Distance*

Rev. David Lewicki

**DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Mary Anona Stoops

**Our Father [Mother] in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL FOR OFFERING

*Our **Change 4 Change** offering this week goes to **A Home for Everyone in Dekalb**. This year due to Covid-19 concerns, in lieu of the freeze shelter, volunteers will gather at Sycamore House behind Decatur Presbyterian Church to hand out sleeping bags, blankets, hygiene kits, supper bags, and Marta cards to allow individuals to access the shelters in downtown Atlanta. The estimated cost for round-trip Marta cards for the average of 20 individuals seeking shelter through **A Home for Everyone in Dekalb** is \$180. Text '**NDPC C4C \$20 (or any amount)**' to **73256** to give to give to Change for Change.*

*Members who've made a 2020 pledge are encouraged to give through automatic payment arranged through their bank or to send a check by mail. Visitors and those giving outside a pledge, are encouraged to mail checks to NDPC, 611 Medlock Rd, Decatur, GA 30033, donate through Paypal at [www.ndpc.org](http://www.ndpc.org) or Text '**NDPC \$20' (or any amount)** to **73256** to give to the church's general fund.*

To make a **pledge for 2021**, go to the [giving page](#) on ndpc.org.

OFFERTORY SONG

*Meditation*, by Michael Larkin  
Michael Morgan, piano

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

J.S. Bach

*Now Thank We All Our God*  
Michael Morgan, organ

**NOTES ON WORSHIP TODAY:**

**Music Credits:**

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### **WELCOME VISITORS**

We're happy that you've joined us online today. We hope you will join us in person when we resume in-person worship in 2021, after the pandemic subsides.

We come from many backgrounds, traditions, and cultures to worship at NDPC. We invite you to use the language, whether for God or persons, that is authentic and inspiring to you.

### **FOR YOUR INFORMATION:**

**If you would like to** donate flowers, volunteer to serve as an usher or liturgist, or submit comments or suggestions about worship, please email [worship@ndpc.org](mailto:worship@ndpc.org).

**Recent sermons** are available for online listening at <http://ndpc.org/worship/sermon-podcasts>.

### **CONTACT NDPC:**

The NDPC Office is closed. All members and visitors must alert staff when you plan to be on campus. Office Phone: 404-636-1429; Office Email: [office@ndpc.org](mailto:office@ndpc.org)

Pastoral Care:

**Revs. David Lewicki and Beth Waltemath** are co-pastors of North Decatur Presbyterian Church. Beth or David are available to meet with any person seeking pastoral care or conversation. To schedule an appointment, contact them directly by email or by phoning the church office. David Lewicki ([david@ndpc.org](mailto:david@ndpc.org)); Beth Waltemath ([beth@ndpc.org](mailto:beth@ndpc.org))

**Rev. Mary Anona Stoops** is available to visit with senior adults at church or at your home. To schedule an appointment, contact her by phone in the church office or by email: [maryanona@ndpc.org](mailto:maryanona@ndpc.org)

For urgent needs, call the co-pastors' emergency cell phone: 404-981-NDPC (6372).

### **NDPC STAFF:**

Elizabeth Waltemath, *Co-Pastor, head of staff*  
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