



*North Decatur Presbyterian Church is called by God
to be a community of faith and worship.
We are 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

May 8th, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Easter

11:00AM

** stand in body or spirit*

PREPARATION & ADORATION

PRELUDE

The Prayer Carole Bayer Sager & David Foster
Huu Mai & Marielle Mai, vocals ©1998 Warner-Tamerlane Publishing
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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*If you are worshiping online, use the comment/chat section to introduce yourself.
Visitors are invited to sign in using the QR code on back of the bulletin.*

* CALL TO WORSHIP

-by Katherine Hawker

The spirit of God calls us from many places;
some of us come from busy homes with many people
some of us live alone.

We are a part of the family.

This week has been different for each of us;
some of us have had happy news we want to celebrate
some of us have faced grief and need to cry.

We are members of God's family.

Yet we all come to this same place;
all of us seeking God's presence in our lives
all of us seeking God's presence with each other.

Together we become God's family.

GATHERING SONG

O God, Who Gives Us Life (v.1-3)

Glory to God #53

MEDITATION

SILENCE

* ASSURANCE OF GRACE

from a Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA)

God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love,

**the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.**

Hearing their cry,

**God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.**

Loving us still,

God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,

God is faithful still.

* RESPONSE

As a Child Rests (v. 1-2)

Glory to God #474

* PASSING THE PEACE

*Share a sign of peace by learning "Peace be with you" in American Sign Language.
If you are worshiping online, write greetings in the comment/chat section.*

PROCLAMATION

*Children up to 3rd grade are invited to come forward for the Word in Worship.
Afterward, children may go to Extended Session or return to sit with their family.*

WORD IN WORSHIP

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 12:1-13

SERMON

Outward Incarnational Focus

Erin Tolar, Ministry Fellow

ANTHEM

Seasons of Love

by Jonathan Larson
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our [Loving Parent] 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.

DEDICATION

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL FOR OFFERING

*Please make a generous gift today. Text '**NDPC C4C \$20 (or any amount)**' to **73256** to give to
give to Change for Change. Members who've made a 2022 pledge are encouraged to give
through automatic payment arranged through their bank or to send a check by mail.*

To make a **pledge for 2022**, go to the [giving page](#) on ndpc.org.

* CLOSING SONG

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (v. 1-4)

Glory to God #753

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

arr. Mark Hayes
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NOTES ON WORSHIP TODAY:

Flowers today are given by Anna Kershaw.

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Livestream and video are produced by NDPC members Jason Schoenberg, Rick Meinersmann, & Tim Merritt. If you would like to help, come up to the balcony.

WELCOME VISITORS

We're happy that you've joined us! Please introduce yourself to those around you as you are comfortable. You may share your email address with us by using the QR code on this bulletin—we will send you our weekly e-newsletter. You can learn more about NDPC's ministries and social justice work at www.ndpc.org. We come from different backgrounds, traditions, and cultures to worship. Please use language and pronouns for God and for yourself that are authentic to you. After worship, the pastors would love to meet you.



Welcome, Visitors!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Magnifying glasses and large print hymnals are available in the lobby. **Hearing assist devices** are also available. Ask an usher and they will gladly help.

If you would like to donate flowers, volunteer to serve as an usher or liturgist, or share comments about worship, email worship@ndpc.org.

Videos of worship services are available at ndpc.org. Subscribe to our **sermon podcast** through any major podcasting service.

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Revs. Beth Waltemath and David Lewicki are available to meet for pastoral care or spiritual conversation. Beth's office days are M and Tu; David's office days are W and Th. Phone/video appointments are available. Email beth@ndpc.org or david@ndpc.org.

Rev. Mary Anona Stoops is available to meet by appointment. Email maryanona@ndpc.org.

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