



*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

August 21st, 2022

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

10:00AM

** We stand in body or spirit*

PREPARATION & ADORATION

PRELUDE

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name

by Tom Fettke

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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

Here in this place, there are no foreigners,
for all are welcome in God's house.
Here in this worship, there is only acceptance,
for love is the language of faith.
Here in our lives, there are no divisions,
for God dwells in each of us.
Come, let us worship in unity and love.

GATHERING SONG

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Glory to God #12

MEDITATION

based on Psalm 84, by Stephen Mitchell

Lord, how beautiful you are; how radiant the places you dwell in.
My soul yearns for your presence; my whole body longs for your light.
Even the wren finds a house and the sparrow a nest for herself.
Take me home, Lord; guide me to the place of perfect repose.
Let me feel you always within me; open my eyes to your love.

Happy are those who trust you and merge their will in your will.
They let go of all desires and give up everything they know,
until they finally enter the inmost temple of the heart,
where there is no self, no other, nothing, but only you.

SILENCE

* ASSURANCE OF GRACE Galatians 2:20, adapted by ECW from NRSV
When Saul became Paul he faced many of his idols before he could feel the presence of Christ inside himself. Hear his words as you accept the assurance that God is with you.
"It is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. The life I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Child of God, who showed me the love of at-one-ment."

* RESPONSE *Sing Out, My Soul* Glory to God #646

* 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 1st grade may meet childcare staff in the narthex or sit with their family.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 20:1-6/7

SERMON *Losing Your God* Rev. Beth Waltemath

ANTHEM *Awesome God*
by Rich Mullins
arr. Bernadine Johnson
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PRAYERS FOR VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE IN GEORIGIA

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Mary Anona Stoops

Our [Divine Parent] in heaven, holy is your name, your kin-dom 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 kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

DEDICATION

UPDATES FROM THE PCUSA GENERAL ASSEMBLY Rev. Andy James, Stated Clerk

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL FOR OFFERING

*Please make a generous gift today. All gifts made to Change for Change in the month of August will support Team Libertad. Team Libertad welcomes refugees and asylum-seekers with food, language resources, and a guiding hand as they navigate the world's busiest airport in their journey to be united with family and friends. 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 **new pledge for 2022**, go to the [giving page](#) on ndpc.org.

* CLOSING SONG *Seek Ye First* Glory to God #175

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Hyfrydol* by Rowland Hugh Prichard

NOTES ON WORSHIP TODAY:

In the narthex, take a moment today to admire the banner featuring the watercolor artistry of NDPC's own Woody Hickcox, featuring an amazing array of wondrous winged creatures.

Flowers today are provided by Kent Leslie, in memory of Randall M. Anderson, Sr.

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Livestream and video are produced by volunteers Jason Schoenberg and Rick Meinersmann. If you would like to help with our weekly audio and video production, come on up to the balcony and say hello.

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

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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