



*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

September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00AM

*\* We stand in body or spirit*

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### PREPARATION & ADORATION

PRELUDE *O Thou that Tellest Good Tidings to Zion* George Frideric Handel

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Visitors may sign in using either the Welcome Pad or the QR code on back of this bulletin.*

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Carol Tveit, liturgist

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

**Sing the glory of God's name;**

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

**All the earth worships you and sings praises to your name.**

#### \* GATHERING SONG

*How Can I Keep from Singing?*

Glory to God #821

#### MEDITATION

Image, by Marielle Mai

Like a rose in bloom reveals a unique image to every eye,  
So, too, our God appears to each that we may know Him as our own.  
Sunbeams, moonbeams, starlight shimmering along our paths,  
Reflect in many hearts, the rays of God's pure love.

The fallen leaves blown on a breeze, the hushed wind blowing through the trees  
Are echoes of God's lullaby whispered from His lips.  
To soothe the pain of separation and raise our hopes once more,  
God in His mercy creates a melody for all the world to hear.

#### SILENCE

#### \* ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Psalm 28:6-7

Praise be to the Lord, for the Lord has heard my cry for mercy. The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in the Lord, and the Lord helps me.

**My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise the Lord.**

#### \* RESPONSE

*O Sing to the Lord*

Glory to God #637

#### \* PASSING THE PEACE

Share a sign of peace by learning “Peace be with you” in American Sign Language.

### PROCLAMATION

Children up to 1<sup>st</sup> grade may meet childcare staff in the narthex or sit with their family.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 98:4-8

#### MUSICAL JOURNEY

*Silence, Sound, and Music*

Huu Mai

Silence

*My Prayer*

by Huu Mai

Sound

*Ave Maria*

Philippe Rombi

Music

*May It Be*

Enya, Nicky Ryan & Roma Ryan

Arr. by Mark A. Brymer

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### DEDICATION

#### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL FOR OFFERING

*Please make a generous gift today. All gifts made to Change for Change in the month of September will support the Co-Pastors' Discretionary Fund for meeting the emergency financial needs of our neighbors. 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 the remainder of 2022**, go to the [giving page](#) on ndpc.org.

### COMMUNION

#### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Rev. Dr. Erin Reed Cooper

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

#### PRAYERS

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Lord's Prayer*

Albert Hay Malotte

arr. Carl Deis

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#### SHARING THE ELEMENTS

*Everyone who seeks to know God is welcome to receive Communion. Come to the front, then remove your mask. Take a piece of Bread (gluten-free), dip it into the Cup (grape juice), then eat. Put on your mask and return to your seat via the side aisles. If you cannot come forward for any reason, notify an usher and we will gladly serve you in your seat.*

#### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*In Remembrance of Me*

Glory to God #521

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**God of our neighbor and of us, you met us here today and have given yourself to us in this bread and cup. Live in us, and shape us to be neighbors to everyone we meet, that we might embody your mercy and love. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

#### \* CLOSING SONG

*This Is My Song*

Glory to God #340

#### \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Heavenly Sunlight*

George Harrison Cook  
arr. Mark Hayes  
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## NOTES ON WORSHIP TODAY:

Today, we welcome Emily Halbert, our incoming Graduate Music Assistant, and David Champion, our new Bass Choral Scholar, as guest musicians.

**Flowers today** are provided by Cindy Hays in memory of her mother, Martha, on her 91st birthday.

**Music & Lyrics** are printed/streamed under ONE LICENSE #A-719269 and CCLI #21115205 & 21115212

**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](http://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](mailto:worship@ndpc.org).

**Videos of worship services** are available at [ndpc.org](http://ndpc.org). Subscribe to our **sermon podcast** through any major podcasting service.

**CONTACT NDPC:** Office Phone: 404-636-1429; Office Email: [office@ndpc.org](mailto:office@ndpc.org)

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](mailto:beth@ndpc.org) or [david@ndpc.org](mailto:david@ndpc.org).

**Rev. Mary Anona Stoops** is available to meet by appointment. Email [maryanona@ndpc.org](mailto:maryanona@ndpc.org).

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