



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

May 7, 2023

Fifth Sunday of Easter

11:00 AM

* *We rise in body or spirit*

PREPARATION & ADORATION

PRELUDE

*At Gethsemane
Rise and Rejoice*

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

-based on Psalm 31
Jill Jacques, liturgist

Praise the Lord!

**God has shown us the wonders of unfailing love;
God leads us and guides us.**

In you, O Lord, we put our trust.

**You are our God,
and our lives are in your hands.**

**Lord, let the light of your face shine on us
as we celebrate in your presence.**

*OPENING SONG

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need (vs. 1-3)

Glory to God #803

RECONCILIATION

VIDEO MEDITATION

A Family Faces Food Insecurity in America's Heartland
by National Geographic

We have a *food problem*. The problem looks like this:

- Some of us don't have food to eat! Food is too expensive to afford. 1 in 8 of us is food insecure. 1 in every 5 families with children is food insecure.

This is our problem.

- The food that we *can* afford and is *easy* to get makes us sick. Cheap food is unhealthy. Food that is good for our bodies costs too much and is too hard to get.

This is our problem.

- 40% of food produced in our country is thrown away. Food waste makes global warming worse, and our neighbors go hungry while food goes to landfills.

This is our problem.

God, when we face problems, we share them with you, and ask your help...

SILENT PRAYERS

In the quiet, speak to God. Listen for God's response to you.

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Jesus loved to eat. So much so that people called him a "glutton" and a "drunkard."
Jesus is the bread of life and said that none of us should ever be hungry.
Jesus loved feeding people so much that he became a meal.

**God, some of us have enough food
And some of us do not.
Until all of us have enough,
Long live the revolution of Jesus!
Alleluia! Amen.**

*GRATEFUL RESPONSE

Come! Live in the Light

Glory to God #749

*PASSING THE PEACE

*Share a sign of peace by learning "Peace be with you" in American Sign Language.
Children may come forward to the baptismal font and find a pillow or rug to sit on.*

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14:13-21

WORD IN WORSHIP FOR CHILDREN

Children may return to their seats or go to extended session childcare.

SERMON

Deeds of Power

Rev. David Lewicki

ANTHEM

*Ave verum Corpus, K. 618
NDPC Community Choir
Blake Dwelle, guest conductor*

W. A. Mozart

DEDICATION

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL FOR OFFERING

*May's Change-for-Change contributions support ATL Free Fridge. The refrigerator on NDPC's campus is sustained by an all-volunteer team that cleans, stocks, and maintains the fridge with free, healthy, nutritious food for our neighbors. **Text 'NDPC C4C' \$20 (or any amount) to 73526** to give to ATL Free Fridge, the May Change-for-Change recipient.*

To make a **financial pledge to NDPC for 2023**, go to the giving page on ndpc.org.

COMMUNION

Everyone who seeks to know God is welcome to receive Communion.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Sung responses:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest (x3).**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest (x3).**

**Christ has died, Christ is Risen, Christ will come again.
Hosanna in the highest (x3).**

NOTES ON WORSHIP TODAY:

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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:

Children are always welcome in worship at NDPC. We also offer a nursery for babies and Extended Session childcare for Preschool - 1st grade during the 11:00 service. For Extended Session, please walk your child down the education hallway before worship, or meet a volunteer in the narthex after the children's Word in Worship.

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. David Lewicki, Mary Anona Stoops, and Erin Reed Cooper are available to meet to support your spiritual, mental, and physical health. Pastoral care is confidential and can be held in-person or virtually. Email david@ndpc.org, maryanona@ndpc.org, and erin@ndpc.org.

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