



*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

June 22, 2025

10:00 AM

*An \* means we rise together in body or spirit; **bold text** words are spoken in unison.*

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### PREPARATION & ADORATION

GATHERING SONG

CHIMES

SILENT PRAYER      *We enter God's presence in silence. God bids us "welcome."*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 63:1-4  
Sylvia Broome, liturgist

O God, you are my God; I seek you;  
my soul thirsts for you;  
**my flesh faints for you,**  
**as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.**  
So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,  
beholding your power and glory.  
**Because your steadfast love is better than life,**  
**my lips will praise you.**  
So I will bless you as long as I live;  
**I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

\* OPENING SONG

*Seek Ye First*

Glory to God #175

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Visitors are invited to leave your name and contact information by signing the Welcome Pad.*

## MEDITATION

Missus Kathy say, *Jon gonna be alright*. Miss Leslie say, *Jon gonna be alright*. Miss Brenda say, *Jon gonna be, he alright*. Missus Linda say, *gonna be alright, that Jon*. Missus Paula with the big eyes, *Jon gon' be alright*, and call me baby girl after. Miss Helen from down 16th Street give me and Jon our first Bible. She say, *Jon, he alright. Jon is going to be alright*, say Missus Gail. Miss Mary, she say, *God is good, and Jon gonna be alright*. My late Grandma Dorothy in my dream say, *Jon Boy, he alright*, and her hands covered high yellow in batter from frying us fish for breakfast. Grandma Minnie Pearl say I gained a little weight and then, *Jon Boy, he gonna be alright. Jonathan, he alright*, say Aunt Phyllis with bright lips always beet-blood reds or bold shades purple. Cousin Carol says Father God when she pray, and she say, *Jon gonna alright*. Aunt Erma and her tea nobody say too sweet if they wanna live, *Alright, Jon Boy*. Aunt Anne and Aunt Jean are talking again now. They say, *Jon gonna get right*. Granny on my father side, her name Daisy. She say, *Jon gonna be*. Cousin Diane say it too, *if the rain is right then so be Jon*. Aunt Pocahontas with the good hair say, *Jon, he alright. God is walking with Jon right now*, say Missus Joyce. Missus Fanny say, *Alright Jon*, and everything she say she mean, she so old. Missus Crystal say, *Alright Jon*. Aunt Blondie got her own line to Jehovah like a hem she sew, say, *Jon alright. Almighty God is with Jon*, say Misses Evelyn as she goes about her business of the Lord. Mama worry herself sick straight into next week say, *Jon*. She say, *Jon, he alright*. She say, *Even if he ain't now, he gonna be, our Jon*.

Prayer Circle, by Sa Whitley (Poetry Magazine, June 2023)

## SILENCE

*How is God speaking to you in these words?*

## REFLECTIONS ON THE MEDITATION

### \*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Jesus says, “ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.”

**By God's grace through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, loved and free!**

### \*GRATEFUL RESPONSE

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Glory to God #582

### \* PASSING THE PEACE

*Share a sign of peace by learning “Peace be with you” in American Sign Language; or, if you choose, shake hands or offer a warm embrace to the Beloveds of God who are seated near you.*

*Children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and younger are invited to leave for a time of Worship & Wonder, followed by playtime on the playground. Parents should pick up children on the playground after worship. Children may also stay in worship. There are quiet worship activities in the Narthex that they can bring back to their seats, or enjoy worship in the Narthex with an adult.*

## PROCLAMATION

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6:5-13

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Rev. David Lewicki

*Prayer for People Who Have Trouble Praying: The Lord's Prayer*

### DEDICATION

ANTHEM

*You Do Not Walk Alone*

Elaine Hagenberg

Madison Tiegreen, Liana Perlman, Kelly Grba, Carolyn Mielke

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL FOR OFFERING

*100% of Change-for-Change contributions in June support Decatur Cooperative Ministries (DCM). DCM's mission is to support families facing homelessness settle into safe, stable homes and build healthy lives. DCM operates Decatur's only homeless shelter, Hagar's House, which serves families experiencing homelessness; they also help with homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing. NDPC owns two homes adjacent to the church—the Winn House and the Wise House—and we partner with DCM to house families for 6 months who are transitioning from homelessness to self-sufficiency.*

**To give by text**, text 'NDPC C4C' \$20 (or any amount) to 73256. You may also **use the QR Code**. Scan the code, enter the amount of your gift, and in the dropdown menu called "Fund," find "Change for Change." **To give cash**, leave an offering in the plate on your way out today. Thank you for supporting the healing of the world in the name of God.



\* CLOSING SONG

*Let All Things Now Living*

Glory to God #37

\* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

Martin Luther,  
arr. Don Hustad

## NOTES ON WORSHIP TODAY:

### **Today's Images in Worship:**

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## WELCOME, VISITORS

We're happy you've joined us! It takes courage to show up at a new church. Introduce yourself to those around you as you feel comfortable. If you share your email address in the red Welcome Pad, we will send you the weekly NDPC e-newsletter. Learn more about NDPC at **[www.ndpc.org](http://www.ndpc.org)**. We come from different backgrounds, traditions, and cultures to worship, so please use language and pronouns for God and for yourself that are authentic to you. After worship, the pastors would love to meet you in person. Ready to join NDPC? Email [engagement@ndpc.org](mailto:engagement@ndpc.org).

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

**Children are welcome in worship at NDPC.** The nursery, located off the hallway just outside the sanctuary door, is open for kids 0-3. For PreK – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Worship & Wonder is our child-centered worship; kids go to W&W right after the passing of the peace and are picked up by parents on the playground after worship. Kids who stay with their adult for worship are free to move around in the narthex where you can listen to worship with your child, and there are child-friendly quiet activities in the Children's Corner that can be enjoyed there or taken back to your seat. The presence of children in worship is a gift, never a disruption.

**Would a large print hymnal, magnifying glass, or hearing assist device help you worship?** Ask an usher and they will gladly assist you. Let us know how we can make worship accessible for you.

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

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

**Revs. David Lewicki and Mary Anona Stoops** are available to meet for pastoral care. Pastoral care is confidential and can be held in-person or virtually. Email [david@ndpc.org](mailto:david@ndpc.org) or [maryanona@ndpc.org](mailto:maryanona@ndpc.org).

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