

# NORTH PARK
## COVENANT CHURCH

NOVEMBER 1, 2026
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PRELUDE — Toccata on *Hanson Place*
Hymnal Selection 758
Joel Raney, arr. Sam Parnin
Sam Parnin, Organ
Mosaic Winds:
Christine Breeden, Bassoon
Vincent Chang, Oboe
Jack Kartsotis, Clarinet
Lizzy O'Brien, Flute

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — Libby Piotrowski and Jeff Hunter

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* CALL TO WORSHIP 800 — from Psalm 34

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 767 — For All the Saints

*The choir will sing verse 4.*

Mosaic Winds
Erik Ward, French Horn

* ROLL CALL OF THE SAINTS

Reading of the Names

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| H. Liland Horten | December 10, 2025 |
| Adam Griswold | January 10, 2026 |
| Frances Fostey | January 27, 2026 |
| Erica Lofquist | May 16, 2026 |
| Stephen Brown | June 21, 2026 |
| William Hartley | July 15, 2026 |
| Philip Johnson | August 7, 2026 |
| Jolene Bergstrom-Carlson | August 23, 2026 |
| Eileen Thorpe | September 17, 2026 |
| John C. Hunter | October 2, 2026 |

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the Peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES — Acacia Gin, Reader

A Reformation Sunday Reading — Revelation 7:9-17

New Testament Reading — 1 John 3:1-3

* Gospel Reading — Matthew 5:1-12

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN — Jeanette Mottl

CHORAL ANTHEM — How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place

Johannes Brahms

Chancel Choir, Brian Ward, Director

How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
For my soul, it longeth, yea, fainteth for the courts of the Lord.
My soul and body crieth out, yea, for the living God.
O blest are they that dwell in Thy house:
they praise thy name evermore.

MESSAGE — Libby Piotrowski

* CONGREGATIONAL SONG — The Kingdom Is Yours

Aaron Keyes, Brittney Spencer, Dee Wilson, Micah Massey

Led by Andrew Berg, Kristen Hunter,
Anders Johnson, Sam Parnin, and Brian Ward

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All who believe in Christ and desire to live a life directed by the Holy Spirit are invited to participate in this sacrament. Gluten-free bread is available.*

Invitation

A Great Thanksgiving

Sharing of the Elements

Communion Music — Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face

Hymnal Selection 559

I Will Sing of My Redeemer

Hymnal Selection 223

arr. Brian Ward

Prayer of Thanksgiving

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Generosity

*The Trustees will come around at this time to receive physical offerings.*
*Giving online at any time is also an option at www.npcovenant.org/give.*

Offertory — Andantino
Polovtsian Dances
Alexander Borodin
Mosaic Winds

* Doxology 48

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**
**praise God, all creatures here below;**
**praise God, above ye heav'nly host;**
**praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* Prayer of Dedication

* CLOSING HYMN 772 — We Wait for a Great and Glorious Day

* WORDS OF SENDING

* CHORAL BENEDICTION — The Lord Bless You and Keep You
Peter Christian Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you. Amen.

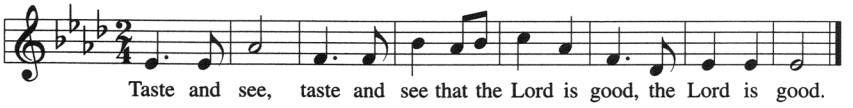
POSTLUDE — When We All Get to Heaven
Hymnal Selection 755
arr. Sam Parnin

*Please remain seated for the postlude, pausing as the light of Christ is carried out and imagining how you might carry that light into the world this week.*

** Please rise, in body or in spirit.*

# 800 Psalm 34:1-8

**RESPONSE**




ALL [1]I will bless the LORD at all times;
**his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**
[2]My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
**let the humble hear and be glad.**
[3]O magnify the LORD with me,
**and let us exalt his name together.**

**RESPONSE**
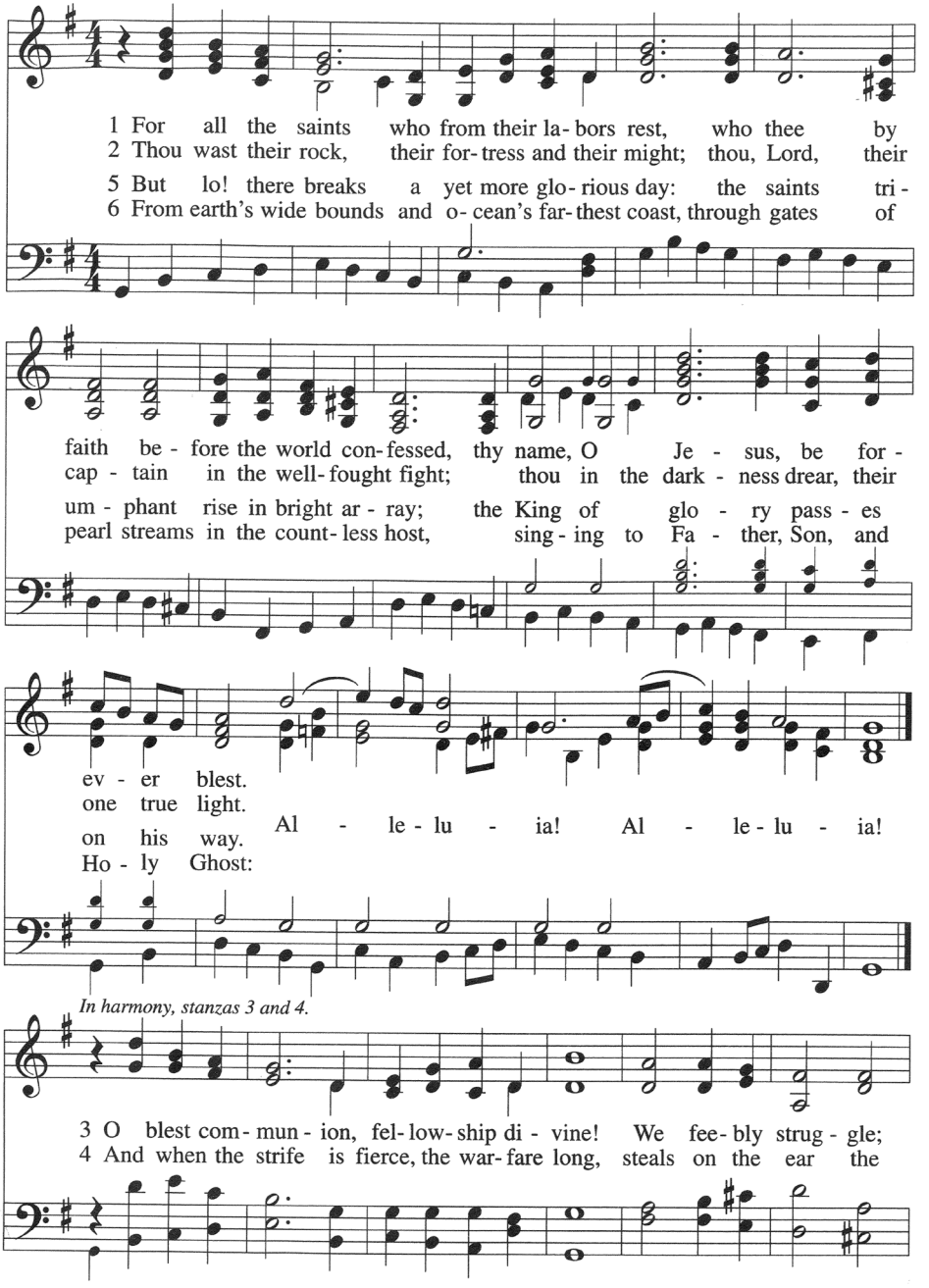
ALL [4]I sought the LORD, and he answered me,
and delivered me from all my fears.
[5]**Look to him, and be radiant;**
**so your faces shall never be ashamed.**
[6]This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD,
and was saved from every trouble.
[7]**The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,**
**and delivers them.**
[8]O taste and see that the LORD is good;
**happy are those who take refuge in him.**

**RESPONSE**

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# 767 For All the Saints

*In unison, stanzas 1,2,5 and 6.*
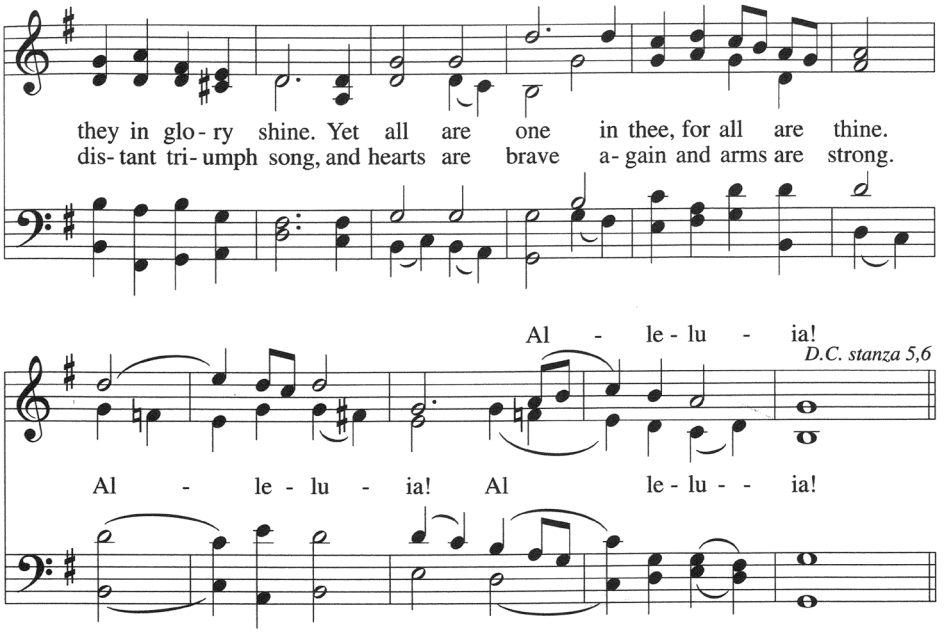



*In harmony, stanzas 3 and 4.*

3 O blest com- mun - ion, fel- low- ship di - vine! We fee- bly strug - gle;
4 And when the strife is fierce, the war- fare long, steals on the ear the

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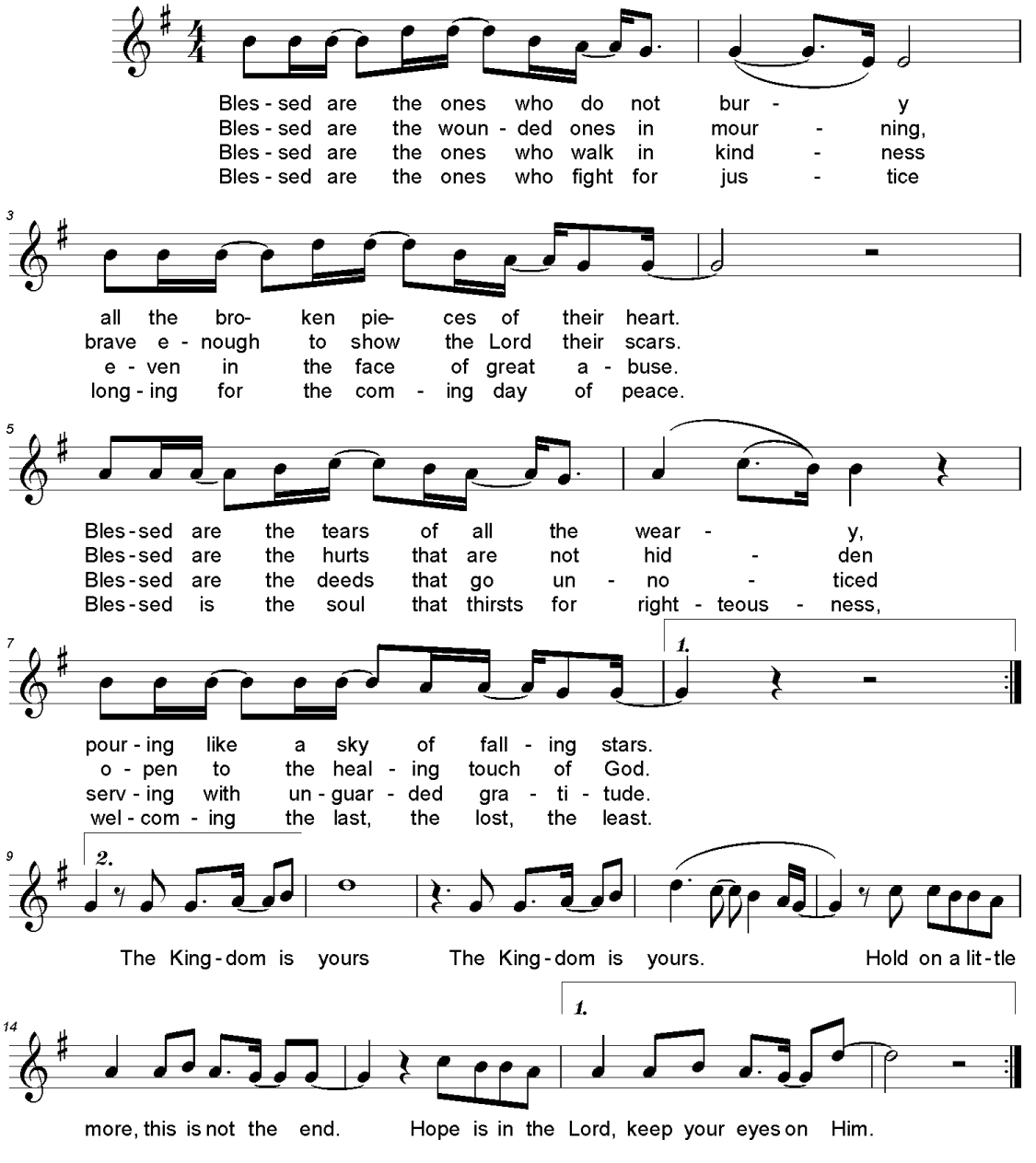



*The heavenly citizens are all weak, imperfect, failing, faith-people who ought to have been perfected by appropriating God's grace, who ought to have lived as saints, yet people for whom the thing has gone to pieces so that they are now without any merit or comfort except to hasten to the Comforter and in everything rely on God. Often, indeed, we are ashamed because of what we are and confess that we are poor Christians, but if we rely on the Lord and live the hidden life in God, confessing ourselves to be pilgrims and strangers, he is not ashamed to own us as his own. Well do we know our weaknesses and failures, but if we cannot live without him we are nevertheless blessed, for our life in the faith does not rest on any shifting sand, but on the sure rock which shall not pass away.*
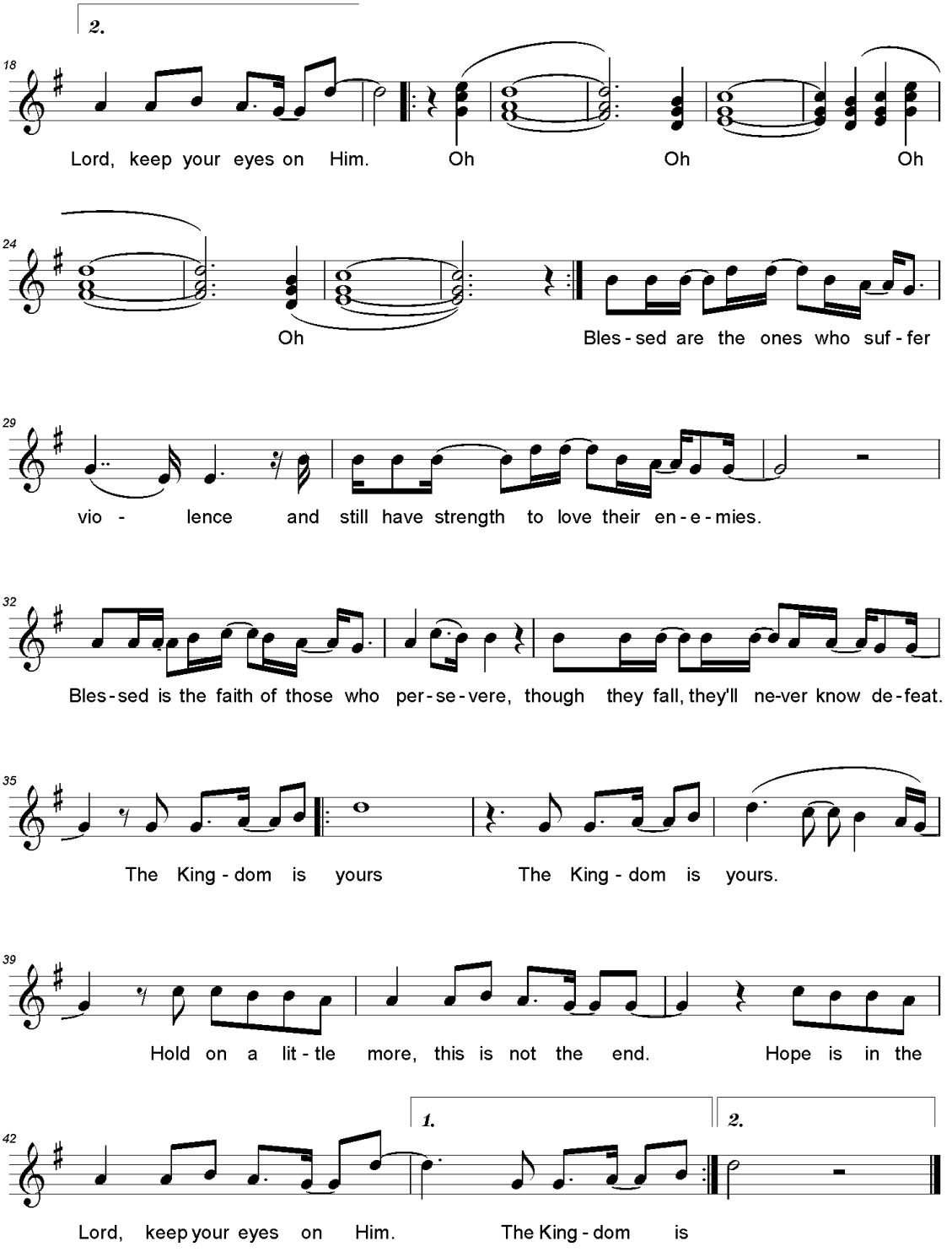
C.V. Bowman, 1868-1937, Strangers and Guests
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# The Kingdom Is Yours

Aaron Keyes, Brittney Spencer, Micah Massey, Terrell Wilson

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2.
18
Lord, keep your eyes on Him.
Oh
Oh
Oh
24
Oh
Bles - sed are the ones who suf - fer
29
vio - lence and still have strength to love their en - e - mies.
32
Bles - sed is the faith of those who per - se - vere, though they fall, they'll ne-ver know de - feat.
35
The King - dom is yours
The King - dom is yours.
39
Hold on a lit - tle more, this is not the end.
Hope is in the
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2.
42
Lord, keep your eyes on Him.
The King - dom is

## A Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
**And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts.
**We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise,
O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe.
We praise you for saints and martyrs, for the faithful in every age
who have followed your Son and witnessed to his resurrection.
From every race and tongue, from every people and nation,
you have gathered them into your kingdom.
You have shown them the path of life and filled them with the joy of your presence.
How glorious is your heavenly realm, where the multitude of your saints rejoice with Christ.
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels,
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place,
who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**
**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**
**Hosanna in the highest.**
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**
**Hosanna in the highest.**

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
Sent to be our Savior, he took our flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

**His words are true. His touch brings healing.**
**To all who follow him, he gives abundant life.**
**When evil sought to destroy him, and he lay in the darkness of death,**
**you raised him from the grave. He is our risen Lord forever.**

We give you thanks that the Lord Jesus, on the night before he died, took bread,
and after giving thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.
In the same way he took the cup, saying: This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me. Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this cup from the gifts you

have given us and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:
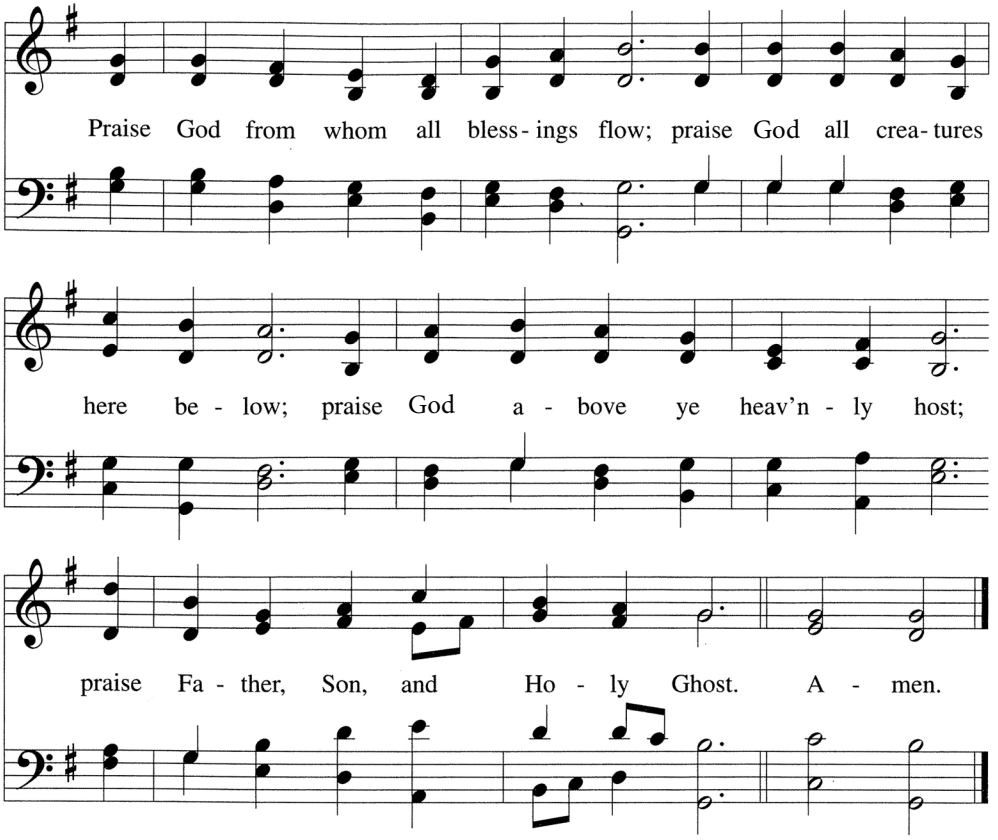
**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these, your gifts of bread and cup, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ, and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.
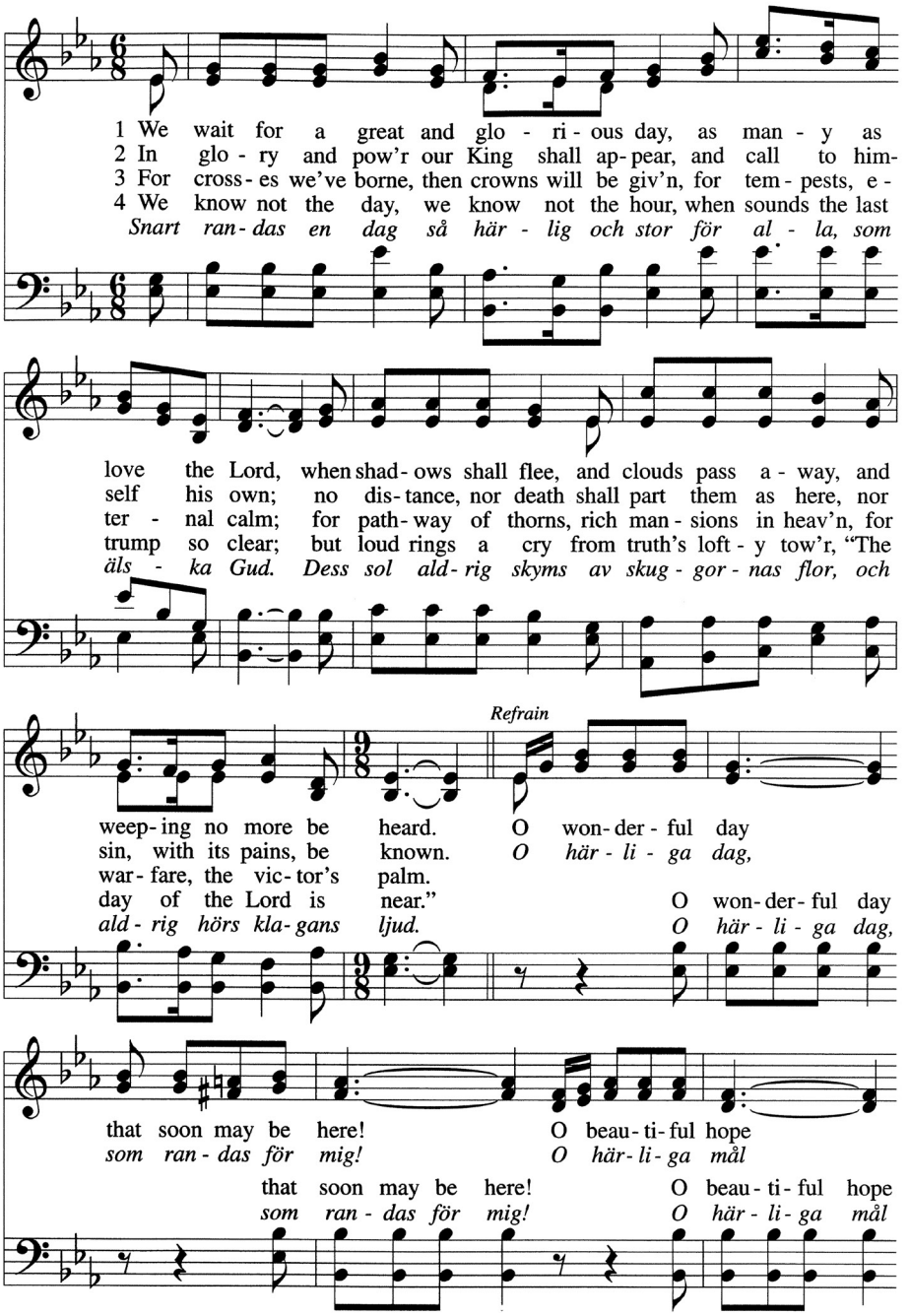
**Number us among your saints, O God, and join us with the faithful of every age,**
**that, strengthened by their witness and supported by their fellowship,**
**we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us,**
**and may with them receive the unfading crown of glory**
**when we stand before your throne of grace.**
**Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection,**
**when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory.**

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

# Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 48

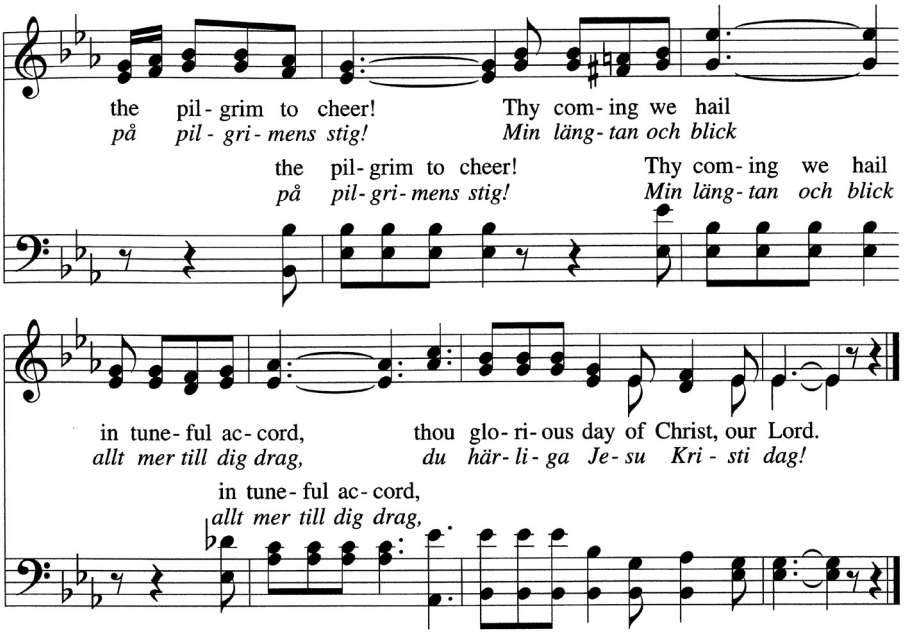


# 772 We Wait for a Great and Glorious Day




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the pil- grim to cheer! Thy com- ing we hail
på pil- gri- mens stig! Min läng- tan och blick
the pil- grim to cheer! Thy com- ing we hail
på pil- gri- mens stig! Min läng- tan och blick
in tune- ful ac- cord, thou glo- ri- ous day of Christ, our Lord.
allt mer till dig drag, du här- li- ga Je- su Kri- sti dag!
in tune- ful ac- cord,
allt mer till dig drag,

# *Welcome to North Park Covenant Church online! We're glad you're here.*

If you're new here today, we invite you to email the co-pastors at copastors@npcovenant.org to learn more about us and, perhaps, get a little more connected.

**Childcare is available** in the toddler room (lower level, off the hallway south of the parlors) during the worship service for any wee ones ages 0 through 5 needing a place to wiggle and play. We always happily welcome children in the service but recognize that sometimes parents need a break so they can focus on worship.

**If giving digitally is more** your style, this handy QR code will take you directly to our online giving portal. It's a great pathway to one of the most powerful and sustainable ways to support NPCC. In the portal, you can make an account, set up recurring gifts, and even include a little extra to offset processing fees. However you give, know that we are deeply grateful for your generosity and doing all we can to equip this church family to live for God's glory and neighbors' good.

**We welcome back Mosaic Winds today!** Formed in 2025, Mosaic Winds is a Chicago-based wood-wind quartet bringing a playful, creative approach to music for weddings, celebrations, and events of all kinds. They blend classical repertoire, contemporary composer collaborations, video game and anime soundtracks, and more, connecting with audiences through vibrant programs and engaging stories. They are Christine Breeden (Bassoon), Vincent Chang (Oboe), Jack Kartsotis (Clarinet), and Lizzy O'Brien (Flute). Thank you for sharing your musical gifts with us!

**Today is a Benevolence Sunday.** Members of the Deacon Board will be at the doors after the service to receive any donations to our benevolence fund, which is used to help those in need in our community. This church is extremely generous with those gifts—thank you!—but perhaps you've wondered what happens to those dollars. Overall, they go to help support and offer relief for a lot of people, but here is a very recent example of just how that money is being used:

1. With the support of the Board of Deacons, we have decided to increase both the number of Aldi gift cards we give out each month *and* the value of those gift cards. Rather than give out 26 gift cards for $20 each, we will have 30 gift cards for $30 each available on the third Tuesday of each month. We will do this at least for a few months, and reevaluate as we go.

2. The hygiene closet, established by the Board of Community Concern, has been very popular. Thanks to all who have placed items there. We encourage you to keep doing so! And, to keep up with demand, we will be using roughly $200/month from the benevolence fund to purchase additional items for that closet.

**Vida Plena, a Spanish-speaking Covenant church plant** that meets here, invites you to worship every Sunday at 1:30 pm. For more information, contact Pastor Dany Flores at 872-357-9080.

**Members and friends are invited** to be a part of a Saturday-morning trash brigade, working to clean up an area of our community. They meet at 10 am each week, and this coming Saturday, you can join them at the intersection of Bernard and Balmoral. Please reach out to Janette and Roderick Smith at rjonberber@sbcglobal.net for more details. All are welcome; no need to RSVP!

**An Invitation to Prayerful Giving:** An email went out a couple of weeks ago encouraging all members and friends to prayerfully consider pledging to support the ministries of North Park Covenant Church in 2027. Pledge cards will be in the pews for the next few weeks. You may fill out one of those cards and place it in the offering plate this morning, or you may go to tinyurl.com/2027-npcc-pledge to pledge online.

*Please note:* If you choose to pledge online, you will need to set up your initial pledge and then schedule your giving in two separate steps. You can set your recurring gift to have an end date or to be ongoing. Thank you for your support in the coming year!

**From the Board of Community Concern:** Our personal hygiene cabinet has been very well-utilized so far, which speaks to the great need in our community. It is a blessing to be able to help meet some of the needs of our neighbors. Below is a list of what seem to be the most sought-after items. However, any personal hygiene items and basic household cleaning supplies are welcome. The next time you're at Costco, Jewel, Target, or the like, please think about picking up something and adding it to the hygiene closet just inside the south doors. Thank you for loving our neighbors in this tangible way!

- Baby wipes
- Deodorant
- Feminine hygiene products
- Laundry detergent pods
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste
- Dish soap

**Merry Market at Covenant Living of Northbrook:** The Holly Fair has a new name, but it's still the same great event! You're invited to this annual sale on Saturday, November 7, at Covenant Living of Northbrook (2625 Techny Rd., Northbrook). See the third-to-last page for more details.

**One more week to order Christmas greens!** This year, all the money we raise from the sale of Christmas greens will go toward scholarships for students attending Unite. Christmas greens orders will be accepted until Sunday, November 8. They will be available for pickup after church in the alley parking lot on Sunday, November 22. Paper order forms are in the parlors and the narthex, or you can use the online registration form. Reach out to Pastor Jeanette if you have questions!

**Lectionary texts for Sunday, November 8:**

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25
Psalm 78:1-7
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

**We invite you to a new member class!** Have you wondered about membership at North Park Covenant Church and what it might mean? Do you have questions about the church and/or the Covenant denomination? Would you like to learn more without an obligation to join the church? We'd love to have you join us at our next New Member Class on Saturday, November 14, from 9 am to 1 pm. Breakfast and lunch will be included! Please let Pastor Libby or Pastor Jeff know of your interest, and we'll add your name to the list and be in touch!

**Please consider donating blood on November 21:** We will hold a blood drive through Versiti donation center on Saturday, November 21, from 10 am to 2 pm. It is Versiti's goal to have at least 15 donors at any event, and we're just about halfway there. You may sign up here, and we hope you'll take part in this important community event.

**It's a Little Town of Bethlehem year!** Mark your calendars for December 6, from 4 to 6 pm. Everyone is invited to experience the sights and sounds of Bethlehem. North Park Covenant Church will be transformed into the streets and markets of Jesus' time, complete with vendors, musicians, and townspeople. Congregation members and friends will take on the roles of various local characters, each pointing the way to the manger, where they hear that a very special child has been born.

We need lots and lots of help! Committees are being organized, and there is a spot for everyone, whether you're interested in advertising, recruiting, costumes, props for shops, or set design. You may receive a call from someone on the recruiting team, asking for you to help. If you don't get that call but are interested in jumping on board, please contact Lisa Applequist or Pastor Libby. We need people with all kinds of gifts and all kinds of time to give! Also, be sure to invite your neighbors and friends and family, and spread the word!

**Are you looking for a way to serve at NPCC?** We always welcome people who are willing to hang out with the littlest in our community or help serve refreshments after the worship service! Please click here to put your name down for a Sunday or two—thank you!

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## *for your prayers*

- **Community prayer:** In a month marked by an emphasis on gratitude and thankfulness, we pause to give thanks to God for God's faithfulness, patience, and presence in our lives.
- **Michael Shawn Sanders**, mourning the passing of his father, Wilburn Sanders, last Friday
- Jackie Spinner's mom, **Donna Spinner**, who has been diagnosed with leukemia and lymphoma
- Janice Finney's uncle **Walt Leeman**, diagnosed with bone cancer and on hospice care, and for her aunt **Joyce Leeman**, as she walks this difficult journey with her husband
- **Paula Schuetz**, recuperating after surgery on her ankle on October 12
- **Diane Haglund**, whose back surgery has been postponed to a date still to be determined
- **the family of John Hunter**, longtime member of NPCC, who passed away at the age of 89 on October 2 after a time on hospice care
- Marti Hindaileh requests prayer for a dear friend's mother, **Missy Baker**, who is battling breast cancer and in intensive care in grave condition
- **Ann Marie Strom**, now on a new infusion medication to help with severe pain
- **Sandy Edstrom**, still struggling with sciatica pain
- **Sara Gortner**, Ann Boyd's mother, on hospice care

PAUL CARLSON PARTNERSHIP

Fédération des unions des planteurs
FUPROCAF UBANGI
du Café de l'Ubangi

Today is **Paul Carlson Sunday** in Covenant Churches across the denomination. In honor of Paul Carlson's mission, ministry, and legacy, the regular, caffeinated coffee served downstairs today is from the Congo and is the result of a Karawa Coffee Project, which is part of Paul Carlson Partnership. We encourage you to try some of that delicious coffee this morning and to give as you are able. All monies received will be sent directly to Paul Carlson Partnership (cash, check, or giving online via the QR code at the right are welcome).

The mission of Paul Carlson Partnership is to catalyze the holistic growth of healthy families and communities in places of deep poverty. Working together with partners in Africa and elsewhere, we invest in local efforts in medical and economic development.

**Read further to learn more about the Karawa Coffee Project.**

The FUPROCAF coffee cooperative (the Ubangi Federation of Coffee Producers) is the official coffee cooperative business registered in DR Congo. In 2023 there were over 2,000 coffee producers whose yields aggregated to over 450 metric tons. Harvest has increased each year, now placing FUPROCAF among the top 10% of coffee producing entities in DR Congo!

The testimonies of God's blessings are coming in! During the general assembly on March 3, one coffee producer, Kelebe Ndiwa, shared his thankfulness to God for the abundance of his crop and what the sale of his harvest made possible for his family. Among other things, he shared that the major purchase this year was a metal roof for his family's home. He explained that, in the past, there had not been enough money at one time to provide a roof. Now, with an increasingly larger harvest anticipated each year, he can plan for expenses that help his family stay healthy and safe.

**History**

In 1964, Dr. Paul Carlson responded to a call to become a medical missionary to the Democratic Republic of Congo with the Evangelical Covenant Church. In the town of Wasolo, he served a population of 100,000, including an 80-bed hospital and a leper colony.

When rebels grew in power and missionaries were forced to evacuate, Paul helped his family to safety. Knowing he was the last doctor in the area, he returned across the river to continue serving his friends. Soon after, the rebels kidnapped Paul.

On November 24, 1964, the Belgians and Americans launched a rescue mission for the 1,000 people trapped at Stanleyville. As the paratroopers approached, the rebels opened fire. Many people died that day, and photos of Paul Carlson appeared on the covers of *Time* and *Life* magazines to honor the life of the martyred missionary.

**Today**

This 60-year legacy in the Democratic Republic of Congo has changed over the years, but our focus on medical and econom-ic development has remained rooted in partnership. We focus on improving medical care by working alongside medical directors and doctors who oversee the healthcare system in the northwest region of Congo. We multiply impact by training Congolese medical professionals through our Medical Ambassador volunteer program. Economic development remains a crucial area of partnership because of obstacles our partners face due to extreme poverty. Focusing on capacity building and sustainability, we contribute to the development of projects, individuals, and organizations committed to long-term growth. We aim to work with, not for, people who are making a difference in their own communities.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2026**
**9:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

# MERRY MARKET SALE

Covenant Living of Northbrook
2625 Techny Rd – Northbrook, IL

**GIFTS – HOME TREASURES – GOODIES**

- Handmade Crafts
- Jewelry and Accessories
- Gifts Galore
- Holiday Décor
- Baked Goods and Specialty Goodies
- Treasures of Home

Cash – Checks & Credit Cards accepted

FREE ADMISSION – FREE RAFFLE

**HOLIDAY TREASURES AWAIT**

**BRING FRIENDS & FAMILY, STAY FOR LUNCH**

Merry Market is a resident run Sale to benefit Education Grants for student employees and Northbrook EMTs, Police, Library & Food Panty

www.merrymarket.org

# At Church This Week

*The calendar is available at www.npcovenant.org/calendar and is updated as changes occur.*

*Monday, November 2*

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| 9:15 am | Women's Bible Study (Hybrid/Large Conference Room) |
| 10:30 am | Staff Meeting (Staff Conference Room) |
| 6:30 pm | Geezerball (Gym) |
| 7:30 pm | Centering Prayer (Staff Conference Room) |

*Tuesday, November 3*

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| 6 am | Polling (Parlors) |
| 8 am | Men's Bible Study (Hybrid/Large Conference Room) |
| 4:30 pm | Uniting Voices Chicago Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |
| 6 pm | Cudahy Basketball (Gym) |

*Wednesday, November 4*

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| 10 am | Wednesday Women's Bible Study (Edstrom Home) |
| 6 pm | Gather Dinner (Parlors) |
| 6:30 pm | Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Side Balcony, Sanctuary) |
| | Contemporary Music Rehearsal (Choir Room) |
| 7 pm | Knit or Not (Coffee Lounge) |
| | Middle-school Youth Group (Youth Room near the Gym) |
| 7:15 pm | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) |

*Thursday, November 5*

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| 4:30 pm | Uniting Voices Chicago Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |

*Friday, November 6*

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| 1 pm | Prayer Group Gathering (Edstrom Home) |

*Saturday, November 7*

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| 8 am | Geezerball (Gym) |
| 10:15 am | Cudahy Basketball (Gym) |

*Sunday, November 8*

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| 9 am | Confirmation (Staff Conference Room) |
| 9:15 am | Adult Formation (Parlors) |
| | Art Journaling (Art Room) |
| | Sunday School for Preschool - 6th Grade (Junior Chapel) |
| | Tabletop Sundays for High Schoolers (Attic Youth Room) |
| 10:30 am | Worship (Sanctuary) |
| 1:30 pm | Vida Plena Covenant Church Worship Service (Parlors) |
| 7 pm | AA Meeting (Parlors) |
| | High-school Youth Group (Attic Youth Room) |

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## Welcome Statement

*We welcome all people to begin or deepen their relationship with Christ through worship and study. We invite all believers to fully participate in the life and ministry of our church as members, leaders, and lay staff. We celebrate the gifts and presence of diverse Christians among us—whether those differences be race, ethnicity, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, or socioeconomic status. We are blessed by our diversity and are unified in Christ.*