

United Methodist Herald

March 2026



seeking:
honest questions
for deeper faith

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March Worship

March 1, 2026
Celebration of Holy Communion
Genesis 12:1-4a, John 3:1-17
Pastor Donna Dempewolf

March 8, 2026
John 4:5-14
Pastor Donna Dempewolf

March 15, 2026
John 9:1-7
Pastor Donna Dempewolf

March 22, 2026
John 11:1-45 (excerpts)
Pastor Donna Dempewolf

March 29, 2026
Passion/Palm Sunday
Matthew 21:1-11
Pastor Donna Dempewolf



Message from the Pastor

Seeking: Honest Questions for Deeper Faith

On January 24, after the death of Alex Petri, many in our Northfield community gathered for an interfaith vigil. We came carrying shock, grief, and questions. We lit candles. We stood shoulder to shoulder. We were reminded that even in uncertainty, we do not stand alone.

That evening felt like holy ground — not because we had answers, but because we showed up.

In many ways, that is what Lent invites us to do.

This year, our congregation will journey with A Sanctified Art's resource Seeking: Honest Questions for Deeper Faith. Lent is not a season of easy certainty. It is a season of courage and honesty. A season for slowing down. A season for bringing our real questions before God.

Scripture is full of seekers — people who wrestle, wonder, doubt, hope, and ask again. And God meets them, again and again, not with quick solutions, but with presence.

In a town like Northfield — where students wrestle with big ideas, where neighbors gather in times of loss, where faith and public life intersect — seeking feels like faithful work. We see it when neighbors help neighbors through the Community Action Center. We see it in the generosity of the MN FoodShare March Campaign, when our wider community joins together to stock and support local food shelves. Seeking is not only about reflection; it is about participation. It is about showing up for one another.

Lent gives us space for reflection and lament. It invites us to ask:

What is shaping my faith right now?

Where is God in the midst of grief or change?

What needs tending in my own heart?

How might God be calling me to serve?

The Lenten journey ultimately leads us toward Holy Week — toward the cross, toward sorrow, toward love that does not turn away from suffering — and then, in God's time, toward resurrection.

But we do not rush there.

We seek. We serve. We walk together.

As we move through these weeks, may we be a church that is brave in our questions, generous in our compassion, and steady in hope — trusting that the God who meets us in candlelight also meets us in wilderness and in dawn.

Grace and peace,
Donna



The Laity Collaborative

The Laity Collaborative is a learning community focused on equipping laity and unleashing the power of the Holy Spirit throughout the Minnesota Conference. Access a series of learning sessions and resources.

[Innovation starts with YOU! The power of laity-led new ministries with Rev. Erica Koser](#): March 24, 6:30-8 p.m.
[Community Organizing with Rev. Dana Neuhauser](#): April 14, 6-8 p.m.

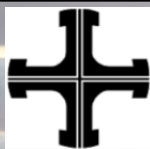


NUMC WELCOME STATEMENT

We affirm that all people are created in the image of God and, as beloved children of God, all are worthy of God's love and grace, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, family status, race, ethnicity, physical or mental ability, socio-economic status, or age. We unreservedly support and affirm the full inclusion of persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities in all facets of ministry at Northfield UMC, including ordination and marriage. Following Christ's example, we open our hearts, minds, and doors to welcome all who come to us in God's grace.

Northfield United Methodist Church Mission Statement

We are companions in Christ, called, nurtured, and sent out for this purpose: to glorify God by acts of worship, devotion, compassion, and justice.



Northfield United Methodist Church
Worship. Devotion. Compassion. Justice.

Open our hearts, O God, to your presence already at work in our lives. Break through any barrier in our hearts separating us from you and others. By your Spirit, show us possibilities beyond what we can imagine for ourselves and our church. Make us ready; our hands are yours. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Easter Flowers

Place your Easter Flower order by filling out the order form to the right and return it to the church office with payment by **Wednesday, March 25th.**

Please print the "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" clearly and remember to check the box if you are going to take your plant after Easter worship or leave it at the church. Thank you!

Lenten Schedule

Palm/Passion Sunday

Sunday, March 29, 2026, 9:30 am

Holy Wednesday

Wednesday, April 1, 2026, 6:30 pm

Good Friday

Friday, April 3, 2026, 6:30 pm

Community Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 4, 1:00 pm

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 5, 2026, 9:30 am
Easter Brunch following worship

Lenten Devotionals and Prayer Cards are available for your pickup in the hallway outside the sanctuary.

Easter Flower Sign-up Sheet

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Select from the following:

_____ Lily (\$22.00)

_____ Cyclamen (\$22.00)

_____ Begonia (\$22.00)

_____ Kalanchoe (\$22.00)

_____ Easter Mum (\$22.00)

_____ Donation to Easter Visuals



After Easter services, I will:

_____ Leave my plant at the church

_____ Take my plant home

Make checks payable to NUMC and return this form with payment to the box in the church office by

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

(DO NOT PUT IN OFFERING BASKET)

FAMILY ministry

Children's Ministry

Children's Church (Pre-K–5th) — Sundays during 9:30 am worship

Children begin worship in the sanctuary with their families and are dismissed around **9:40 am** for Children's Church—a kid-sized time of learning and play.

Super Wednesdays (current grades K–5) 3:30-5:30 pm - Our midweek program for kids features **fun, faith, and a food-snack**. We play games, share highs and lows and incorporate a community where everyone is welcome.

No Super Wednesday, March 25th - Spring Break

Transportation: After-school busing from Bridgewater, Greenvale, and the Middle School; escort from Spring Creek. Free.

Register for busing: northfieldumc.org/bus-registration

For more info contact: ddempewolf@northfieldumc.org

Palm/Passion Sunday, March 29, 2026 - Come join the parade of palms!



New children are always welcome!
For more information contact Pastor Donna at
ddempewolf@northfieldumc.org

Youth Ministry

NUMC Youth Group is for youth in 6-12 grades. We meet Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8pm plus special outings and events. New youth are always welcome and encouraged to attend! For more information email youth@northfieldumc.org or text Kristen at 507-676-3600.

March Youth Group - Mark your calendar for these dates!

March 4: David and our own Goliaths (games, activities, and discussion explore this famous Bible Story and how it applies to our lives.

March 11: Practice of Prayer: youth explore a variety of Prayer Stations and ways they can add prayer into their routine.

March 18: March Madness Mystery Outing

Get in the sports spirit as we go on a mini-adventure. Check Youth email for more info.

March 25: No Youth Group due to Spring Break

Save the Date Youth Volunteer Opportunities:

April 4: Easter Egg Hunt (11am-2pm)

April 5: Easter Brunch (8:30-12pm)

Confirmation: From Belonging to Grace
(Youth in 9th-11th grades)

March theme: Prayer

March 8 from 10:45-11:30am AND

March 11 from 6:30-8pm



Easter Brunch - Sunday, April 20

The youth are holding their annual Easter Brunch on Sunday, April 5th, immediately following Easter worship. Egg Bakes, pastries, and fresh fruit. Free-will donation. This is a Fund-raiser for our Youth programs.

Church Family: Easter Brunch Egg Bake Donations - If you would be willing to donate an Egg Bake for the Youth Easter Brunch, please email or text Kristen at (507) 676-3600 or youth@northfieldumc.org

Adult Faith Formation

Wednesday Gatherings: Hope for Creation Study/Action Group

- Begins at 6:15 pm in the Library.
- We meet from time to time for one hour to discuss select articles from the Hope for Creation curriculum, United Methodist Pilot project led by Tim Eberhardt of Garrett Theological Seminary.
- Articles available Sunday and Super Wednesday.
- Led by Clay Oglesbee, Amy and Kevin Allin, and Tim Goodwin.

Sundays of Lent

Morality Without Myths

- 2/22-3/15: An invitation to clearer moral vision and greater self-honesty exploring common moral assumptions, what complicates them, and concluding with discernment practice.
- Led by Chuck Huff, PhD.

Mission Team Series

- 3/22: Haiti Partnership – Love as Child, led by Mary Twitchell.
- 3/29: Operation Classroom, led by Lorie McBride.

Sundays of Eastertide

Spirituality of Earth and Resurrection: Hildegard of Bingen

- 4/12-5/3: Four-week exploration of the unique person, spirituality and teachings of Hildegard of Bingen, a German Benedictine abbess, mystic, musician, early naturalist and holistic teacher.
- Led by Dr. Almut Furchert.



This is a message from the co-directors of Isaiah (edited for length)

"As the Trump administration announces an end to Operation Metro Surge, one thing is clear- we will never be the same. This moment revealed who we are. We are fierce protectors of our neighbors. Every child is our child. We will drop everything to deliver food and supplies, give rides to school and places of employment. document what was really happening in the streets. These were not abstract or easy choices. Time and time again we chose each other. "

As we know, this was not just limited to the metro, but included and continues to include Northfield. Our community rallied to support our neighbors in all the ways mentioned, and more!

It will take a long time to recover - economically and to a feeling of safety for our children and families. Isaiah is committed to recovery and accountability , and will be working the upcoming legislative session to ensure those individuals and businesses that were harmed can be made whole.

In other news, Faith in MN and Isaiah, sister organizations, introduced the People's Agenda at the recent caucus meetings. Delegates will be bringing this forward to the county and state level meetings.

-So take care of yourself. Love your people. And then show up.
Another world is possible. We are already building it.

Mary Lynn Oglesbee



Notes from the Parish Nurse



Honoring Choices Minnesota is an initiative that encourages individuals to plan for their advance care. “The process of advance care planning (ACP) involves conversations throughout life about your values, beliefs, and goals for future health care. ACP conversations focus on your health care goals and what is important to you.” This process makes sure that your wishes will be known at a time when you may not be able to make your own medical decisions or cannot communicate your health care choices, such as after an accident, worsening of an illness, or sudden illness. It is best to make these decisions when you are able to make your own choices and thus give yourself peace of mind. Regularly revisit your decisions and plans because as one gets older, health status and goals, values, and priorities might change.

“Documenting your wishes in a Health Care Directive is important. The document outlines your values and priorities for future medical treatment and can identify your health care agent. A Health Care Directive limits confusion and helps everyone prepare for the unexpected.” Choosing a health care agent is a vital step in advance care planning. Your health care agent will be the person who speaks for you and makes decisions for you if you are unable to do so yourself. Important considerations in choosing this person include:

- Do you trust this person to make tough decisions?
- Will the person honor your wishes even though he/she doesn't agree with them?
- Can this person make important decisions in stressful situations?
- Can this person stand firm on your wishes even though family members disagree?

To complete a Health Care Directive, it is important to identify spiritual and personal beliefs that might influence your decisions on treatment. Then a written plan can be made that outlines your future medical treatment. Topics covered are often related to decisions about cardiopulmonary resuscitation, help with breathing, artificial hydration and nutrition, comfort care, dialysis, and hospice care. In Minnesota, you must have two adults or a notary public witness your signature on your directive. Keep your original Health Care Directive in a safe place in your home. Give copies to your health care agent, other family members, your primary care physician, and possibly to your local hospital.

Many people have strong feelings about what they want or don't want to happen if they become hospitalized or incapacitated. In order to have your “voice” heard, you need to communicate your feelings. This is a sensitive topic that is sometimes hard to bring up with physicians, friends, or family members. Fortunately local physicians, care center employees, registered nurses, social workers, parish nurses, and advance care planning facilitators are available in Northfield to help you start the conversation.

Prepare for Your Care
(Advance Care Planning)





Mugs and Muffins

Mugs and Muffins winter break is over! Mugs and Muffins will meet on March 16th to continue a study of "Women of the Bible" quilt blocks. The women we will be studying in March are Bathsheba, Esther, Naomi, and Judith. We meet the church library at 9 AM. New members and visitors are always welcome.



Mission Sewing Project

Mission sewing has a goal of completing 35 quilts for Operation Joy. We have a good start for 2026, we completed 6 quilts. We also have layette items Midwest Mission Distribution Center (baby sweaters, diapers, layette gowns). The whole group meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month. We are always looking for more people to help meet our goals. Our next meetings to tie quilts will be on March 25th. We meet at 9AM in Room 120.



IT Tech Corner by Jesse Steed

Google Trends

According to [Google Trends](#), the most popular search terms for people in Minnesota in the last 30 days were Minneapolis, Weather, News, Google, Youtube, NFL, Games, Amazon, Reddit, Timberwolves. First of all, we should all pause and reflect on why with all the weather and news apps in the world people are still typing into a Google search the words weather and news. And who is typing Google into a Google search? What are they trying to do? They can't be bothered to type [google.com](#) in the address bar? And the same with Youtube. Come on, people! No wonder we need AI. Jeez Louise.

But perhaps more interesting than the overall totals is looking at the search terms that rose the most in popularity over the same time period. One was about the Grammy awards, one was about the cold weather, one was about MLK Day and the other seven in the top ten related to immigration enforcement activities and community responses. Many of these search terms rose by more than 2000% in frequency, mainly because they had never been searched before.

Drilling a bit deeper and closer to home, rising search queries associated with the word "pastor" are nearly entirely related to an infamous individual and church that ruled the news and social media posts recently related to the only thing on everyone's mind.

Trends in Google searches are a reflection of our society at a point in time, but they also reflect our values and say a lot about who we trust to inform us. When I was younger I was often told to "look it up in the encyclopedia Britannica" or "go to the library."

A few questions that come to mind from this brief foray into Google search trends are: What are you searching for? What are you finding?



The [Community Action Center \(CAC\) in Northfield](#) runs its largest annual food and fund drive during the Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign. This drive is critical for stocking the food shelf, with donations of food, funds, or hosting a drive helping to trigger matching grants. The March Campaign is essential for the Northfield community, providing up to half of the annual food budget for the local food shelf. Watch the weekly NUMC email and bulletin for more info on how you can help.





**Methodists
Investing in
Care and
Action for the
HolyLand**

*“What does the Lord
require of you but to do
justice, and to love
kindness, and to walk
humbly with your
God.” - Micah 6:8*



Olive Oil for Sale

Palestinian organic, fair
trade, extra virgin olive oil.

500 ml. 16.8 oz - \$25.00

OUTGOING MAIL

To our sponsored family in Bethlehem

Dear Nour,

MICAH and NUMC members wish you a very happy
sweet sixteen birthday! We are thinking of you! Happy

Birthday Nour Photo album <https://photos.app.goo.gl/xpQ9CX34GtSpLtkT8>



PRAYERS

The MICAH Team begins every team meeting by reading prayers aloud. The prayers are from Sabeel, a movement among Palestinian Christians. Based on information received from the last week, the prayers are meant to guide our understanding of current events through a lens of Christian faith.

Redeemer Christ, we recall how you were arrested, mocked, and abused for speaking truth to power and confronting the empire of your time. Assure all who are resisting brutal occupation and settler violence in the West Bank that you see them and will deliver them from their oppression. In the face of such violence, empower us to continue the struggle for goodness and justice.

Good God, we are overwhelmed with the actions of empires. Be with the many who are detained and abused by this unjust system and provide them with your healing and safety. In the face of systemic sins, help us to fight for the oppressed creatively and persistently. From the [Sabeel Wave of Prayer](#)

At a recent Adult Faith Formation...

MICAH screened a film: [The Present](#). The experience of watching a short documentary-style film about injustice is powerful. We recommend that everyone watch this film, which you can do for free on [Kanopy.com](#) using your library card. You will gain an immediate understanding of the challenges facing Palestinians on a daily basis, even the simplest of activities are exponentially more difficult living under occupation and apartheid.

What Can We Do? How can we help those that are suffering?

Everyday choices of US consumers contributed to the downfall of apartheid in South Africa. Since 2005, Palestinians have called on the global community to engage in consumer boycotts. Check out: [No Appetite for Apartheid](#) [na4a.org](#)

- Check out this [shoppers guide](#) for a comprehensive list of brands to boycott and alternatives. For example: Do not buy
- Sabra Hummus.
- Use apps, like the [Boycat](#) App to scan barcodes to find out if a product is complicit.
- Check labels: barcodes starting with 729 indicate products made by companies based in Israel.

Boycott HP: HP-branded corporations play key roles in Israel's oppression of Palestinians. They are complicit in Israel's occupation, settler colonial, and apartheid regime. They provide computer hardware to the Israeli army and maintain data centers through their servers for the Israeli police. They provide the Itanium servers to operate the Aviv System, the computerized database of Israel's Population and Immigration Authority. This forms the backbone of Israel's racial segregation and apartheid. Boycott of all HP consumer products, including laptops, printers, and printer ink.

Closing Prayer: Holy God, we worship your name whenever we use our bodies and voices to support the most vulnerable. Lord, illuminate to us where we can bear witness in our lives through creative resistance, and continue to cultivate in us hope and courage to dismantle all structures of oppression.



United
Women
in Faith

NUMC local unit hosting River Bluffs Area Gathering

United Women in Faith - Meeting Dates

March 2, 2026 - UWF Executive Board meeting - 10:00 am Room 120

March 9, 2026 - Esther Circle - Kildahl, 888 Cannon Valley Drive

March 16, 2026 - Mugs and Muffins - Church Library - 9:00 am Third Monday of the Month

National Website www.UWFaith.org

New Minnesota Website www.uwfaithmn.com

BAKE SALE Thank You!!! It was fun to see all the different treats our bakers brought to the sale! Thank you. All enjoyed the treats and many took them home, donating \$375 to United Women in Faith's mission endeavors this year.

Prayer and Self-denial – “The 2026 theme for United Women in Faith's A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial service – ‘**The Future Is Now: Invest in Our Children.**’ Esther Circle gave \$189 to support this national mission push to help children and youth through our National Mission Institutions. Thank you to all that have shown God's love to the vulnerable in our midst.

UWFaith - April 18, River Bluffs Area meeting – NUMC hosts - Annissa Zynda, of Second Harvest Heartland, speaking – \$20 ,lunch included.

Northfield United Women in Faith is hosting a gathering of women from the southeastern Minnesota area on April 18, 2026, 8:30-2:00. We will be coming together to learn more about food insecurity and climate change, and sharing fundraising ideas for UWFaith missions.

“Everyone deserves to eat! (source Second Harvest Heartland website) At Second Harvest Heartland, we believe accessing food should be free from anxiety and fear. Working together we all make it easier for our neighbors to reach out when they need help. There is more than enough food for everyone. Every day we are working together to source and distribute food efficiently, advocate for effective policies and programs, and invest in new ways to end hunger in the heartland. Second Harvest Heartland is making sure everyone can eat by providing emergency food boxes. Each box feeds a family of four and includes items like pasta, rice, beans, canned tuna, baking mix, and cooking oil. This is along with boxes for seniors and the regular food shelf activities.

1 in 5 Minnesota households cannot afford the food they need.

Unfortunately, hunger can be found in every county and every population in Minnesota. This includes:

453,000 Minnesotans participate in SNAP

17% of households in Minnesota with at least one senior are food insecure

26% of households in Minnesota with children struggled with food insecurity

Farmers can be a part of **The Good Acre** nonprofit food hub. The Good Acre strengthens connections between farmers and food shelves through purchasing good food directly from farmers. The farmers get a three year contract for their produce such as potatoes, onions, apples, and vegetables. This helps the farmers and the community.

Second Harvest Heartland accepts food donations from local organizations in truck load quantities. If a retailer, a truck driver, a manufacturer has excess food, they can contact Second Harvest Heartland who will distribute it to those needing it and will not send it to a landfill. They have two clean rooms to repack items into smaller packages for food shelves and families in need. Join us to help and find out more.

All the ways you can donate funds to NUMC!

How to make tithes and offerings

You can make your tithes and offerings several ways:

1. Drop your offering in the offering basket during worship
2. Donate online using a credit/debit card by clicking on the Donate tab on the church website northfieldumc.org
3. Donate with a credit/debit card via "Text to Give" 844-946-1577
4. Donate via our QR code using a credit/debit card
5. Automatic Electronic Giving monthly
6. Mail a check to: NUMC - 1401 S. Maple St., Northfield, MN 55057

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving:

Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much needed donation consistency for our congregation. Authorization forms are available on our website northfieldumc.org, in the church office or by emailing northfieldumc@gmail.com.

FINANCE UPDATE

General Fund YTD 2026 contributions \$17,653.74
General Fund YTD 2025 contributions \$30,997.55

General Fund January 2026 contributions \$17,653.74
General Fund January 2025 contributions \$30,997.55

Final Treasurer's Report for December 2025

General Fund

The CRB checking account balance at the end of December was \$31,976.59 compared to the November balance of \$42,818.97; shows a monthly decrease of \$10,842.38 primarily due to paying of year-end expenses. All 2025 conference apportionments have been paid in full.

Monthly Offering Income for December was \$50,182.03. YTD Actual Offering Income was \$336,167.77 which is \$11,167.77 more than YTD Budget of \$325,000.00. Other Income Totals of \$2,609.50 for December came from Interest Income, Super Wednesday Meal Proceeds, and Facility Usage. General Fund Income Total for December was \$52,791.53. Thus, General Fund YTD Actual Income was \$359,153.24; \$9,593.24 more than the YTD Budget of \$349,560.00.

Monthly Expenses for December totaled \$58,263.81. YTD Actual Expense Totals were \$444,638.74; \$14,220.73 less than the YTD Budget of \$459,859.47. YTD expenses exceed income by \$85,485.50 which is \$14,813.97, less than the YTD Budget shortfall of \$100,299.47.

Physical Plant

Monthly income (Support from General Fund) for December was \$11,122.51. YTD Actual Income was \$186,800.43; \$131,166.46 from General Fund Support for Physical Plant, \$5,335.00 from continuing contributions to the Building Fund, \$1,081.79 from Other Building Contributions, and \$49,217.18 from the Building Maintenance Endowment fund.

YTD Actual Expenses were \$165,753.82 which leaves a positive balance of \$21,046.61. Total YTD insurance costs were \$33,089.18. Significant insurance payments totaling \$16,606.51 were paid in June; \$11,399.08 to Lamb Insurance Services for annual excess wind and hail coverage and \$5,207.43 to Church Mutual for initial 3 months of church and parsonage coverage. The material and outside labor cost of the cabinet upgrades to the parsonage kitchen, dining room and main floor bathroom during February and March totaled \$15,326.80; donated labor totaled 300 hours.

Endowment Funds

At the beginning of January 2025, the total value of the four endowment funds was \$742,577.34. In February \$199,046.17 from the Jim Finholt Estate was deposited into the Undesignated Fund. In February \$18,000 was withdrawn from the Building Maintenance Fund to help pay planned expenses associated with the cabinet upgrades at the parsonage. In May \$11,000.00 was withdrawn from the Building Maintenance Fund to help pay for annual gap (excess wind and hail) insurance. In May, 3% of the April balances in the Sather Mission, Building Maintenance and Undesignated Funds, a total of \$24,885.79, was withdrawn. In September, 3% of the August balances in those same three funds, a total of \$25,889.50, was also withdrawn. The YTD Balance at the end of December (including market value fluctuations, fees and withdrawals) was \$968,840.34 which shows a monthly gain of \$4,141.00 and a YTD gain of \$226,263.00.

Announcements

Join us for fellowship and
coffee in the Fellowship Hall
following worship every Sunday!



Aluminum Cans for Operation Backpack

Collect your aluminum cans and
place in the container behind the
church kitchen. All proceeds
from the cans go towards
Operation Backpack.

Super Wednesday Community Meal

Serving 5:30-6:15 pm , Wednesdays during the program year.

March Menu

March 4

Chicken Coconut Curry/Rice
Green Salad
Cottage Cheese/Peaches
Vegetable Medley
Ice Cream and Treats

March 11

Mock Chow Mein/Rice
Green Salad
Jello
Broccoli
Hawaiian Rolls
Ice Cream and Cake

March 18

Corned Beef Hotdish
Tator Tot Hotdish
Green Salad
Apple Slices
Bread
Ice Cream and Treats

February 25

**No Super Wednesday
(Spring Break)**

For Sunday 9:30 am
livestreamed worship service,
visit our website: northfieldumc.org

A retreat with Alan Storey

MANNA AND MERCY



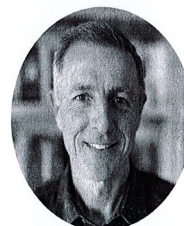
A BRIEF HISTORY OF GOD'S UNFOLDING PROMISE TO MEND THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE

Daniel Erlender

Twin Cities: April 17-18, 2026

Northfield: April 24-25, 2026

Rev. Alan Storey is a gospel
storyteller and facilitator of
personal and political
change. He is the author of
the 2025 Andrew Murray
Desmond Tutu Prize winning
*The bell, banners &
blasphemy.*



Register: alanstoreyinminnesota.org

A sliding-scale registration fee includes a Friday
opening dinner, lunch on Saturday, and a copy of
Manna and Mercy.

Don't Miss the
DEADLINE!

April Herald Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the
April issue will be:

Noon on Monday, March 23rd

Please submit your items for the newsletter in a digital format
(word document) to northfieldumc@gmail.com.

If you have photos of your events, please email those for
the newsletter as well!

Card Making with Margie

Monday, March 16, 2026, 2:30-4:00 pm, in classroom #120



Cost: \$10 to cover
supplies. Join Margie
Brockton for a fun
time of making greeting
cards. She will have all
the supplies needed.
Call 507-649-2324 to
register.

Because every picture has a story to tell...



Having fun at Sunday morning Children's Church!



Lot's going on during Super Wednesday, from games to making Valentines!



Northfield Interfaith Vigil held at All Saints Episcopal Church with over 250 attendees.



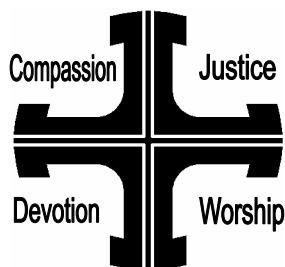
March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30 Worship with Communion 9:40 Children's Church 10:30 Coffee in Fellowship Hall 10:30 Faith Formation 4:00 Community Reservation	2 10:00 UWF mtg. 7:00 Community Reservation	3 9:00 Bible Study 10:00-11:30 Playtime for Toddlers 1:30-4:00 Methodist Mile Walking	4 9:00 Mission Sewing 12:00-1:00 Community Reservation 3:30-5:30 Faith, Food & Fun (snack) 5:30-6:15 Shared Meal 6:15 Choir 6:30 Handbell Choir 6:30 Youth Fellowship	5 12:00 Community Reservation 1:30-4:00 Methodist Mile Walking	6 8:00 Men's Breakfast	7 9:30-11:00 Community Reservation
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