

# May grace meet you here . . .

## WELCOME

(Please sign the Friendship Pew Pad)

Prelude *My Lord, What a Mornin'*  
African-American Spiritual

Greeting and Welcome

+Passing of the Peace

+Call to Worship

On this holiday weekend, we gather with gratitude for the freedoms we enjoy.

**And with a commitment to use those freedoms wisely and well.**

We come from different stories and different journeys.

**Yet we are gathered by God's love.**

Like Jacob, we carry both gifts and mistakes.

**Yet God is still at work among us.**

Let us worship God.

**With curiosity, gratitude, and hope.**

+Hymn *This Is My Song* UMH #437

Children's Message

Call to Prayer *Spirit of the Living God*  
UMH #393

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

## THE WORD

Scripture Genesis 25:19-34

+Hymn *Draw the Circle Wide*  
(lyrics on screen)

Message *Jacob | Antihero*

## THANKSGIVING

Offertory

Offertory Music *In the Garden*  
Austin Miles

Offertory Liturgy

**Generous God, Jacob grasped for blessing, but you are a God of abundance. Receive these gifts and use them to share your love in the world. Teach us to live with generosity and gratitude. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

Holy Communion

*Invitation*

This is Christ's table. It is not a table for the perfect, but for all who seek God's grace. Jacob spent much of his life striving and grasping for blessing. Here, we are reminded that God's love is not something we earn—it is a gift. So come. Come with your joys and your burdens, your faith and your questions. Christ invites you to this feast of grace.

Words of Institution

Invocation

Communion Music *Icarus* Ralph Towner

Prayer after Communion

**Gracious God, we thank you for this meal of grace. You have welcomed us, nourished us, and reminded us that your love is greater than our fears and your mercy deeper than our mistakes. Send us now into the world to share what we have received—hope, compassion, and peace. In Christ's name. Amen.**

+Hymn *America the Beautiful* UMH #696

## BLESSING

Postlude *Battle Hymn of the Republic*  
American Folk Song

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Donna Dempewolf, Pastor  
Catherine Williams, Reader  
NUMC Band  
Kristen Twitchell, Vocals  
David Miller, Piano  
Mike Legvold, Bass Guitar

## If you are new here . . .

- ✧ We are so glad you joined us!
- ✧ **If you would benefit from a large print bulletin or a hearing assistance device, please ask an usher.**
- ✧ +Please stand as able when you see this symbol as we move through the order of worship.
- ✧ Words for congregational liturgy and song are listed in the bulletin or projected on the screen at the front of the sanctuary. Most hymns can be found in the hardcover *United Methodist Hymnal* (2-3 digit) or soft cover *The Faith We Sing* (4 digit) located in the pews. We also have Bibles for following along with Scripture.
- ✧ Check our website for more information.

### For Parents

- ✧ Want to learn more about NUMC's ministry with children, youth, and families? Join our email list! [info@northfieldumc.org](mailto:info@northfieldumc.org)
- ✧ Staffed nursery available for children during worship.

### Northfield United Methodist Church Mission

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

Donna Dempewolf, Pastor  
Kristen Twitchell, Interim Youth Director  
Ruth Kruse, Parish Nurse  
For more information visit our website at [www.northfieldumc.org](http://www.northfieldumc.org).

Miss a week?  
Watch our worship service online on our website!

*Jesus Christ calls us to offer welcome, hospitality and God's gracious love to all.*

## Upcoming Events

### Sundays

9:30 am – Worship  
10:30 am – Coffee in Fellowship Hall  
Children's Church will return in September

### Wednesdays

Super Wednesday will return in September

### Upcoming Events

**Women's Bible Study**, Tuesday, July 7, 9:00 am, room #120

**Mission Sewing**, Wednesday, July 8, 9:00, room #120

**Men's Breakfast**, Friday, July 10, 8:00 am, Fellowship Hall

**17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of NUMC**, Sunday, July 19, 9:30 am worship

**VBS 2026, Snowball Mountain Challenge**, Pre-K, August 3-6, 9:00-11:00 am, St. John's ELCA, registration link on [northfieldumc.org](http://northfieldumc.org)

**Good Earth Village Day Camp**, K-5, August 3-6, 8:45 am – 3:00 pm, Bethel ELCA, registration link on [northfieldumc.org](http://northfieldumc.org)

**Summer Splash Party**, Saturday, August 29, 1:00-4:00 pm, **Save the Date!**

### Church Softball Schedule

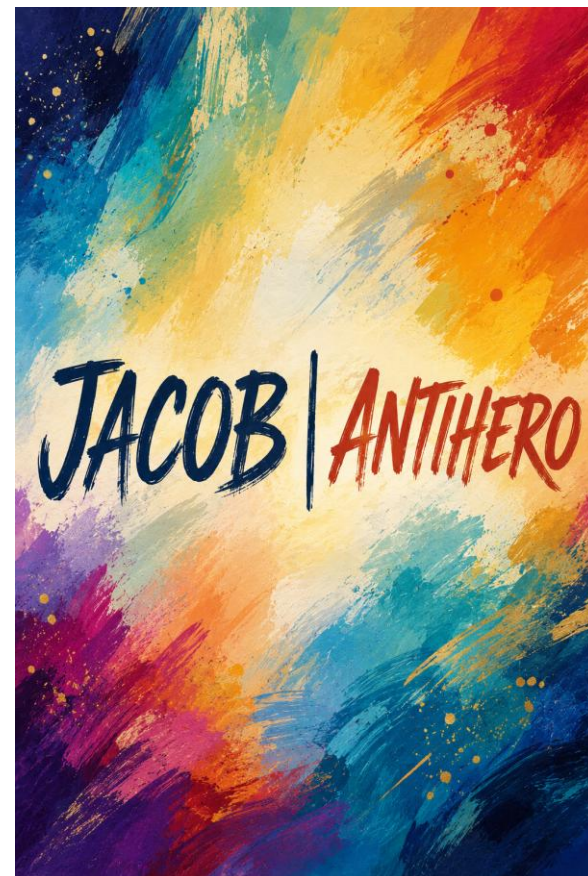
July 12, 6:00 pm, Babcock, NUMC vs Bethel  
July 19, 6:00 pm, Sechler 1, NUMC vs Emmaus  
July 26, 6:00 pm, Sechler 2, NUMC vs Canvas  
Aug. 2, 6:00 pm, Sechler 2, NUMC vs Nfld Community Church

**The Church office will be closed Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup> in observance of Independence Day.**

Worship.  
Devotion.



Compassion.  
Justice.



**July 5, 2026  
9:30 am**

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