

May grace meet you here . . .

WELCOME

Prelude *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* Doris Akers

Greeting and Welcome

Passing of the Peace

+Call to Worship

Come, not because this is a predictable, but because God meets us in the unexpected.

We come with questions, with hopes, with fear and courage intertwined.

Come, not to be kept comfortable, but to be made alive.

We come to be formed, challenged, and renewed.

The Spirit moves—not to control every outcome,

but to guide us, strengthen us, and make us brave.

All: Let us worship God.

+Hymn *The Gift of Love* UMH #408

Children's Message Tenley Updike

Call to Prayer *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*
TFWS #2200

Prayers

+Hymn *The Servant Song* TFWS #2222

THE WORD

Scripture John 14:15-21

Message

Not Kept Comfortable – But Made Brave

THANKSGIVING

Offertory

Offertory Music *Down to the River to Pray*
Southern USA Folk Song

Offertory Liturgy

**God, you have given yourself to us—
not in safety, but in love.**

**So we offer these gifts,
not out of obligation,
but as an act of courage.**

**Teach us to live open-handed—
with our resources,**

**with our time,
with our lives.**

**Shape us into a people
who trust that there is enough,
and that we are enough,
because your Spirit abides within us.**

**Receive what we bring,
and use it to make your love known. Amen.**

+Hymn *As the Deer* TFWS #2025

BLESSING

Postlude *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*
Thrupp & Bradbury, arr. David Miller

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Donna Dempewolf, Pastor
NUMC Band

Jeff Wood, Trombone and Vocals
Kristen Twitchell, Vocals
Elaine Boda, Cello
David Miller, Piano

Please note: At one end of each pew is a black covered Friendship Pew Pad. Please sign it and pass along your pew for others to sign.

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
- ✧ 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
Izel Thoele, Youth & Children's Intern
Jane Dagher, Youth & Children's Intern
Ruth Kruse, Parish Nurse
For more information visit our website at 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
9:40 am – Children's Church
10:30 am – Coffee in Fellowship Hall

Wednesdays

Super Wednesday will return in September

Upcoming Events

MICAH, Monday, May 11, 10:00 am, room #120
Esther Circle, Monday, May 11, 1:00 pm, Kildahl
Women's Bible Study, Tuesday, May 12, 9:00 am, room #120
Mission Sewing, Wednesday, May 13, 9:00, room #120
Men's Breakfast, Friday, May 8, 8:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Adult Faith Formation Update

Classes resume this fall.
Thank you to all who participated this year.

Special thanks:

Jesse Steed and Sandy Vesledahl
Tim Goodwin, Clay Oglesbee
Micah Team, Pastor Donna Dempewolf

Community Art Exhibit

You're invited to bring your creativity to NUMC this June. We welcome a wide range of artistic expressions—painting, drawing, stained glass, mosaics, quilting, and more. Artwork may be dropped off in the church office any time after May 20 and will be displayed throughout the month. Come share what brings you joy—and help fill our space with beauty, imagination, and inspiration.

Worship.
Devotion.



Compassion.
Justice.



More Than a Babysitter

May 10, 2026
9:30 am

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