



Northside Drive Baptist Church

The Worship of God

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 2, 2026 | 11:00 AM

The Preparation for Worship

“For what is war but the desire to be rid of God, to claim for ourselves the power to determine our meaning and destiny?”

-Stanley Hauerwas, *“Should War be Eliminated?”*

The Worship of God

** Please stand as you are able.*

*The congregation speaks the text in **bold** type.*

The Approach

“Be still and know that I am God.”

PRELUDE

Gavotte | Jean-Philippe Rameau
Shadwa Mussad, Violin

GATHERING | Scott Hovey

***CALL TO WORSHIP** | Dan Oakley

We have come today to worship
the God of justice and righteousness.

We do so by living the life of Christ in all we do.

We come to this community of believers
to share God’s grace and love.

**We strive to be a healing balm
while being the presence of Christ in the world.**

We confess that we do not always see
the Sister or Brother that is left out.

**We confess that we do not always hear
the voices that whisper from the margins.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE 62**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise | ST. DENIO

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We confess that we do not always notice who
or what is missing from our beloved community.

**We pray that we might learn to forgive
and widen the circle to make room for all.**

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Sisters and Brothers, God has forgiven us.
So, let us share God’s grace with others,
because the Spirit is at work healing and redeeming all people.

Thanks be to God!

***PASSING THE PEACE**

***GLORIA PATRI 805 | GREATOR EX**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

The Word

"Blessed are they that hear the word of the Lord."

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: PSALM 46

Dan Oakley | Old Testament p. 517

MORNING PRAYER | Dan Oakley

***HYMN OF PREPARATION 658**

Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone? | MAITLAND

***GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 22:47-53**

Dan Oakley | New Testament p. 87

SERMON | Armageddon or The Battle That Never Was

Scott Hovey

Revelation 16:8-18 | New Testament p. 255

The Response

"Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only."

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN OF DEDICATION 502**

Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound | NEW BRITAIN

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH & INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERING

*Please place your offering in the offering plate,
or text NDBC GIVE to "73256" followed by the amount.
You can also give online by scanning the QR code.*



MUSICAL OFFERING

Deep River | African American Spiritual | Arr., H.T. Burleigh
Shadwa Mussad, Violin

***DOXOLOGY 808 | OLD HUNDREDTH**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

There is a Fountain Filled with Blood | W. Cowper

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION | SEE INSERT

This morning we are invited to participate in Holy Communion by standing intinction. Please come forward using the center aisle. As the elements are offered, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and eat. You may return to your pew by the side aisles. Should you need the bread and the cup brought to you, notify an usher and the celebrants will be glad to serve you in your pew.

The Commission

“. . . and I will be with you always.”

***HYMN OF WITNESS 612**

How Firm a Foundation | FOUNDATION

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”
ST. DENIO

Dan Oakley, Worship Leader

The flowers today are given by Linda Clark Lester to the glory of God and in memory of her mother Linda Clark, who went home to be with God on August 2, 2016.

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