



Northside Drive Baptist Church

The Worship of God
Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 23, 2026 | 11:00 AM

The Preparation for Worship

“Another world is possible. Another world is necessary.
Another world is already here.”

Shane Claiborne, *The Irresistible Revolution*

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** 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

Great Day | African American Spiritual

There is a Balm in Gilead | BALM IN GILEAD

Just a Closer Walk with Thee | Closer Walk

GATHERING | Scott Hovey

*CALL TO WORSHIP | Susan Harlan

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
and though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**

Though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains quake at its swelling pride.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God.

God is in the midst of her, she will not be moved.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 130

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing | AZMON

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us confess our predisposition to fear.

We confess our reactive tendencies, rather than God’s reliable strength.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and Brothers, God has forgiven us! Let us live into God’s grace and trust in God’s mercy.

Thanks be to God!

*PASSING THE PEACE

***GLORIA PATRI 805 | GREATOREX**

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: ISAIAH 35:1-10

Susan Harlan | Old Testament p. 663

MORNING PRAYER | Scott Hovey

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION | SEE INSERT**

Healer of Our Every Ill | Marty Haugen

***GOSPEL LESSON: MARK 5:1-20**

Susan Harlan | New Testament p. 39

SERMON | *“New Heaven and New Earth” or A Scene Beyond Dreams* | Scott Hovey

Revelation 21:1-7 | New Testament p. 259

The Response

“Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only.”

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN OF DEDICATION 675**

Jerusalem, My Happy Home | LAND OF REST

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH & INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERING

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or text NDBC GIVE to “73256” followed by the amount.
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MUSICAL OFFERING

Jesus, Lover of My Soul | Ken Medema
Bella Chaney

*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.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING | Scott Hovey

The Commission

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

*HYMN OF WITNESS 596

We're Marching to Zion | MARCHING TO ZION

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Shine, Jesus, Shine | Graham Kendrick

Susan Harlan, Worship Leader

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