

September 2021 Innovator



Welcome back to Sunday worship! If you feel well and have read and agree to follow the recommendations of the [Safe Gatherings](#), we invite you to return to in person worship.

Sanctuary Worship: Masks are optional, Singing is encouraged, and Physical distancing is optional

Meisenheimer Hall Worship: Masks are optional, Singing is encouraged, and Physical distancing is optional

9am Worship Livestream-Room 13: Masks are required, Singing is not allowed, and Physical distancing of 6 feet between households is required

10:45am Worship Livestream-Sanctuary: Masks are required, Singing is not allowed, and Physical distancing of 6 feet between households is required

Worship services will begin at 9:00am and 10:45am and will also be livestreamed on Youtube. You can find the links via our webpage northchurch-mn.org. Click on the red YouTube icon in the upper right corner. To access North Church's YouTube Channel, follow this link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFxRhCSCfSL8Ru5T3aV1Asw?view_as=subscriber

~September 12 Worship Schedule~

8:45am	Child Care
9am	Worship in Meisenheimer Hall
9:45am	Annual Meeting
10:30am	Bagel Brunch & Games

~Beginning September 19~

8:45am	Child Care
9am	Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary & Streamed to Room 13
10am	Fellowship in Meisenheimer Hall
10am	Hands-On Mission (3 rd Sunday of the Month)
10:45am	Worship with the Praise Band in Meisenheimer Hall
10:45am	Kerygma

Children's Sunday School Resumes October 3

Office Hours are 9:00am – 1:00pm Monday thru Thursday.



Please mark your calendars to attend our Annual Congregational Meeting **September 12** after the 9am worship service. We will be discussing our Annual Report as well as reviewing the financial standing of our church. Following the Annual Meeting we will be having a **bagel brunch, fellowship & games**. Copies of the Annual Report can be found in the Gathering Space.



During the pandemic, we were not gathering in groups and were unable to participate in regular Hands-On Mission events. We are pleased to safely start these events again, beginning September 19 at 10:00am! Each month, we will plan a Hands-On Mission event to support our community or a different mission group. If you have an idea for a Hands-On Mission, or you want to do your own mission with your friends and family, please contact Lisa at 651-808-4226 or at mission@northchurch-mn.org. We will be putting together school supplies to support children in our community. We will pack them into backpacks, write notes of encouragement to the kids, and deliver them to the school. Plan to join us on Sunday, **September 19**, from 10-10:45am at the church. If you are unable to attend church, but still would like to participate, you can fill your own backpack with notebooks, crayons, pencils, markers, and folders. You can write a note to the child who will receive the backpack. Plan to bring the backpack to the church office, and it will be delivered for you. If you can donate school supplies to fill these backpacks, plan to bring them to the church office on the first two Sundays of the month. All donations are appreciated!

CONFIRMATION CLASS UPDATE

Confirmation for youth eight grade and older will happen, next year, in the fall of 2022 and the spring of 2023. The class will likely be held with New Life and Trinity Presbyterian churches. Pastors Riz, April and James will all teach. We hope to add a second retreat to the class. The primary purpose is to provide instruction and discussion that will enable youth to understand and profess a personal faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. The secondary purpose is to provide instruction and experiences that will enable youth to understand and participate in the worship and mission of the church. Contact Pastor James with questions, comments, and insights.

Do you have a student who will be attending college this year?

The Deacons like to stay in touch with all the college students throughout the coming year. If you have a new student or a returning student, please give their name and address to the Church Office so we can update our list.



WEDNESDAY WOMEN Study Group (in person!)

When: Second Wednesday of each month, starting **September 8** through May 22, 2022

Time: 6:15 p.m. start

Where: North Church - Room 13

This year's study is titled *What My Grandmothers Taught Me, Learning From the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus*.

We are very much open to new members. If you are interested in joining this study group, feel free to contact Mary Morrisette, 651-777-3470 or at billandmary52@q.com.

14th ANNUAL BOWLING FOR CHARITY

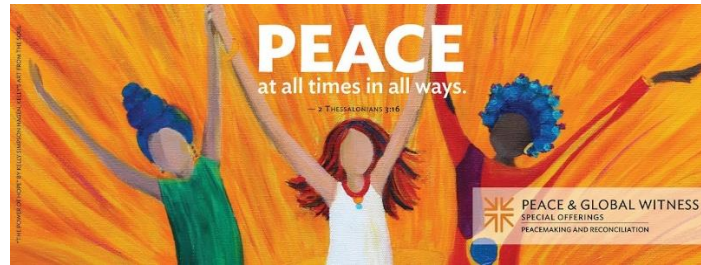
*Concord Lanes
(Formerly Mattie's Lanes)
365 Concord St N, South St Paul, MN 55075*



Houses for Haiti will be hosting its 14th Annual Bowling Tournament and Silent Auction/Raffle on Sunday, **October 17, 2021**. We are raising money to build houses for homeless people in Cite Soleil, Haiti, the poorest slum in the Western Hemisphere. Bring the kids, grandkids, friends and family out for a fun-filled afternoon while supporting Houses For Haiti. Registration forms can be found in the church Narthex.



Our next *Change for Haiti* Sunday is **September 5**, so please save your extra change to bring on that Sunday to put in the jars.



Building God's Household of Peace

Peace at all times in all ways. ~ 2 Thessalonians 3:16

The Peace & Global Witness Offering offers light to those in the shadows and guides us all into the ways of peace. We come together to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and around the world.

Twenty-five percent of this Offering stays with local congregations, 25% to other congregation in our area, and 50% to Presbyterians across the globe who support the work for peace and reconciliation.

The Peace & Global Witness Offering is received during the Season of Peace, which ends on World Communion Sunday, October 3, 2021.

September Birthdays



Laura Yates	September 4	Abbey Tiffany	September 17
Carol Havran	September 6	Dave Etter	September 18
Mark Matteson	September 7	Becky Yust	September 19
Sheila Ferrazzo	September 9	Alex Hill	September 19
Ila Basch	September 12	Derick Ngu	September 22
Sandy Brogren	September 12	Rod Collins	September 23
Mary Parrott	September 12	Kathy Carlson	September 23
Diane Albright	September 12	Mike Marah	September 23
Daniella Ndi	September 12	Yao Dumenya	September 23
Leslie Etter	September 15	Del Langer-Anderson	September 26
Mitch Carlson	September 15	Ed Richardson	September 27
Kathy TeWinkel	September 16	Laurel Nelson	September 27

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Church Office Hours
(Monday-Thursday 8:30am-1:30pm)
north@northchurch-mn.org
651-777-4044
(Voicemail is not checked Friday or Saturday)

The fastest way to reach Pastor James after hours is to send an email to 4theyorks@gmail.com with a call back number.

Please respect Renee's family time by not calling her cell phone. For an emergency, please send an email to rlkristensen@gmail.com.

Emergency Pastoral Care

In the absence of the pastor or when contact with the session is desired, the elder on call for the month of September is Cathy Hickman, 651-503-5680.

Custodian

Nelson Portillo

Nelson has limited English, therefore we contact him through his son at 651-278-1831 or Pastor Arcenio's son, Christian, at 651-428-8107 from 3pm-9pm Monday-Friday.

Emergency Building Contacts

Thor Sellie (Home: 651-770-5943 or Cell: 612-840-0144)
Mike Gerhardson (Cell: 651-808-0307)

STATEMENT 2021

Year-to-Date Activity

(Detailed report available in the church office)

Total Income	\$164,465
Total Expenses	<u>\$161,891</u>
 Overall Total Surplus	 <u>\$2,574</u>



Wednesday, September 1

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

Thursday, September 2

6:00pm El Shadai

6:00pm Life Commission

6:30pm Faith Commission

7:00pm Stewardship

Saturday, September 4

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, September 5

8:45am Childcare

9:00am Worship

1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, September 6

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, September 7

6:00pm Martial Arts

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

Wednesday, September 8

10:00am Choral Bells

6:15pm Wednesday Women

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

Thursday, September 9

8:00am FCHE

6:00pm El Shadai

Saturday, September 11

7:00am El Shadai Fasting

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, September 12

8:45am Childcare

9:00am Worship

9:45am Annual Meeting

10:30am Bagel Brunch & Games

1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, September 13

7:00pm Personnel

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, September 14

6:00pm Martial Arts

7:00pm Nurture Commission

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

Wednesday, September 15

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

Thursday, September 16

8:00am FCHE

6:00pm El Shadai

7:00pm Session

Saturday, September 18

8:30am NMG

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, September 19

8:45am Childcare

9:00am Praise Band Rehearsal

9:00am Traditional Worship

10:00am Fellowship

10:00am Hands-On Mission

10:45am Praise Worship

1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, September 20

6:00pm Quilt Guild

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, September 21

6:00pm Martial Arts

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

Wednesday, September 22

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

Thursday, September 23

8:00am FCHE

6:00pm El Shadai

6:30pm Music Sense Band

Saturday, September 25

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, September 26

8:45am Childcare

9:00am Praise Band Rehearsal

9:00am Traditional Worship

10:00am Fellowship

10:00am Hands-On Mission

10:45am Praise Worship

1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, September 27

Innovator Articles Due

7:00pm Boy Scouts Court of Honor

Tuesday, September 28

6:00pm Martial Arts

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

Wednesday, September 29

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

Thursday, September 30

8:00am FCHE

6:00pm El Shadai

6:30pm Music Sense Band