

July 2022 Innovator



For the summer, we will gather together for one worship service at 9am. We are worshipping in the air conditioned Meisenheimer Hall for July and August. The Sanctuary will be remodeled in July and August. The 9am and 10:45am worship services will resume September 18.

Masks are optional, Singing is encouraged, and Physical distancing is optional

Worship services will begin at 9:00am 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

8:45am Child Care
9:00am Worship in the Hall

Office Hours are 9:00am – 12:00pm Monday thru Thursday.



FESTIVAL OF CULTURES

On Sunday, **September 11**, North Presbyterian Church will host the Festival of Cultures. There will be inspiring worship, delicious food, robust fellowship, and games. The Festival of Cultures is a joint ministry of El Shadai New Hope Ministries, Trinity Presbyterian Church, New Life Presbyterian Church, and North Presbyterian Church. We will gather for worship at 10:30am to praise God with hymns, Latino Praise Band, Western Praise Band, Western Choir and African Choir. There will be three short sermons on a parable that highlight Latino, African, and Western insights. Parts of the service will be in Spanish and parts in Hausa, both will be translated into English. After worship, at approximately noon, enjoy Latino, African, and/or Western food. There will be games and fellowship.



VBS FOR ALL AGES

July 17, 2022

9:00am-11:45am

We invite family and friends to join us for inspiration, fun, play, singing, Bible adventures, worship, and crafts. We will begin with worship from 9-9:45am in Meisenheimer Hall. Next, we will divide up into three groups for Bible Adventures, Crafts, and Games. At 11:05am, we will return to Meisenheimer Hall for our closing worship. We hope you will join us for this intergenerational exploration of God's love for all of us. At 11:45am, we will have food and fellowship.

VBS Volunteers Needed

We need several people to volunteer for VBS. The time commitment is Sunday, July 17, 9:00am-11:45am, a planning meeting with Pastor James at your convenience, and some prep time on your own. We have detailed instructions for every volunteer. Qualifications are: love God, love people and a desire to share joy. Contact Pastor James to volunteer 651-230-8816.

Volunteer positions needed:

- Opening and Closing Leader (Script provided)
- Music Motion Leader
- Sunflower Sam or Samantha (Script provided)
- Spotlight Drama Photographer
- Spotlight Drama Photo Stager
- Game Leader
- Game Assistant
- Bible Adventure Facilitator
- Zacchaeus (Script provided)
- Craft Assistant
- 3 Crew Leaders
- Child Care Provider
- Decorator

CONFIRMATION AND COMMISSIONING 2022-2023

Youth in grades 8-12 who have not yet been confirmed are invited to confirm their baptism through Confirmation and Commissioning. The class will begin on September 7, 2022. Confirmation and Commissioning Sunday will be March 5, 2023. Contact Pastor James to register: pastorjames@northchurch-mn.org 651-230-8816.



SUMMERTIME SINGERS



Do you like to sing? Whether or not you've sung with a choir, you are welcome to sing with the Summertime Singers. The group is made up of members of the Sanctuary Choir as well as anyone else who would like to sing. It's the perfect introduction to singing with the choir. You can sing for one, two or all three dates this summer and, if you'd like, you can continue in the fall as a regular choir member.

The Summertime Singers dates are July 24 and August 21. We will meet 45 minutes before the service starts to learn our parts. If you are interested, please contact Mary Livingston at 651-331-1089 (phone/text) or mary.livingstonmusic@gmail.com

HYMN LEADERS

We are looking for volunteers to step forward and act as Hymn Leaders. This new ministry will allow us to be more flexible when it comes to singing new or unfamiliar hymns, call-and-response hymns, songs that have unfamiliar introductions or interludes, etc. You would be singing from the lectern at the front of church.

Hymn Leaders should be at least 14 years old, able to sing 'on pitch', either be familiar with the hymns or willing to learn and lead them, as well as encourage the congregation to sing. You can do it as an individual, a husband/wife team, a parent/child team, or two people who want to sing together. If you want to try it as a duo, but don't have someone to sing with, we can arrange for hymn leading partners.

To find out more about this opportunity, talk to Mary Livingston in the Narthex after a Sunday service or contact her at 651-331-1089/mary.livingstonmusic@gmail.com



Roderick Oji	July 2	Coleen Colton	July 21
Marlene Ramey	July 4	Stephanie Olson	July 23
Dick Ferrazzo	July 8	Sophie Glaser	July 23
Henry Hurt	July 8	J.J. Roth	July 24
Beryle Zimanski	July 9	Evangelyn Hill	July 24
LuAnn Monette	July 11	Joan Ruppel	July 25
LuJean Swanlund	July 12	Brady Ross	July 25
Garrett Colton	July 12	Beckett Miller	July 28
Derick Ngu	July 13	Loveline Ndelle	July 28
Mike Etter	July 14	Paul Nelson	July 29
Rachael Marah	July 15	Christian Sellie	July 29
Ivy Smith	July 17	Mary Livingston	July 29
Mike Gerhardson	July 18	Oliver Smith	July 30
Abigail York	July 19	Zach Carlson	July 31
Juanita Zoya	July 20		

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Church Office Hours
(Monday-Thursday 8:30am-12:00pm)

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 July is Mike Gerhardson, 651-808-0307

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)



Our next *Change for Haiti* Sunday is **July 3**, so please bring in your extra change on that Sunday.

DONATIONS AND OFFERINGS

Our dedicated counters will be counting your donations and offerings on **July 11 and 25**. They also are asking for you to consider a change in check writing and ask that a separate check for each specific contribution be written. As an example - If you are donating by check to both the General Offering and to Building Fund, please consider writing two checks and noting the purpose on the memo line. This will be a significant help for accurate allocation of your funds to the proper accounts.





Friday, July 1

1:30pm Martial Arts
7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

Saturday, July 2

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, July 3

8:45am Childcare
9:00am Worship in the Hall
1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, July 4 ~ OFFICE CLOSED

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, July 5

6:00pm Martial Arts
7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

Wednesday, July 6

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

Thursday, July 7

6:00pm El Shadai
6:00pm Life Commission
6:30pm Faith Commission
7:00pm Stewardship Commission
7:15pm Nurture Commission

Friday, July 8

1:30pm Martial Arts
6:00pm Craft Til U Drop
7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

Saturday, July 9

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, July 10

8:45am Childcare
9:00am Worship in the Hall
1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, July 11

6:00pm Century Commons
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, July 12

6:00pm Martial Arts
7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

Wednesday, July 13

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

Thursday, July 14

6:00pm El Shadai
6:30pm Cub Scouts

Friday, July 15

1:30pm Martial Arts
7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

Saturday, July 16

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, July 17

8:45am Childcare
9:00am VBS for All Ages
1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, July 18

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, July 19

6:00pm Martial Arts
7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

Wednesday, July 20

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

Thursday, July 21

6:00pm El Shadai

Friday, July 22

1:30pm Martial Arts
7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

Saturday, July 23

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, July 24

8:15am Summertime Singers Practice
8:45am Childcare
9:00am Worship in the Hall
1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, July 25

Innovator Articles Due

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, July 26

6:00pm Martial Arts
7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

Wednesday, July 27

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

Thursday, July 28

6:00pm El Shadai

Friday, July 29

1:30pm Martial Arts
7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

Saturday, July 30

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, July 31

8:45am Childcare
9:00am Worship in the Hall
1:30pm El Shadai