

# August 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](http://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](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.



~Beginning September 18~  
9:00am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary  
10:45am Worship with the Praise Band in Meisenheimer Hall



### 2022 MN STATE FAIR PARK & RIDE

The 2022 MN State Fair will be held from August 25 through Labor Day, September 5. Once again, North Presbyterian Church has the opportunity to partner with New Life Presbyterian Church, who will be offering their church parking lot as a Park & Ride location for fairgoers to park and take a shuttle bus to and from the fairgrounds. This was an enjoyable and successful fundraising project for both churches last year, and we look forward to doing the same this summer! We are seeking volunteers to host fairgoers in 2 hour shifts in our parking lot during the State Fair period. We are also looking for captains to be onsite leaders for half days. This is a great opportunity to bring family and friends and connect while supporting the community and our churches. A SignUpGenius site is now open at this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4AAEA72FA64-2022>. Please contact Kathy Carlson (651-334-8031, [kmschakel-carlson1@mmm.com](mailto:kmschakel-carlson1@mmm.com)) or other Faith Commission members if you have questions.

### 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](mailto:pastorjames@northchurch-mn.org) 651-230-8816.



***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 up-date our list.



**WEDNESDAY WOMEN**

Women of North, are you interested in participating in a bible study/fellowship once a month? Wednesday Women meets the second Wednesday of each month, 6:00pm, September through May to join in fellowship and a bible study.

This year's study is *"Celebrating Sabbath - Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight"*. Below is an excerpt from the PW introduction of this study.

*"On May 8, 2019, Presbyterian Women's Bible study committee selected Carol M. Bechtel's proposal to write a study about Sabbath, or more particularly, God's gift of Sabbath to God's creation—and that includes each one of us reading this buzz. Sabbath, suggests Carol, is not a dreary formality, but instead, a whole day set aside each and every week for rest, community, and faith. But how do we honor Sabbath in a 24/7 world? The author confesses, "As an Old Testament scholar at a seminary, I had plenty of opportunities to study the Sabbath, but I never tried to embrace it as a way of marking time in my life. I hope to share with you some of what I learned by doing both."*

Study books are about \$12.00 each. I will have a tighter price after they are ordered.

I hope you can join us. If you have questions, or just want to sign up.

Contact Mary Morrisette, [billandmary52@q.com](mailto:billandmary52@q.com), or 763-218-3797 for text, or see me in church!

NOTE: If some women would like to form a day meeting group - PLEASE feel free to do so. I can assist with your books, and any initial questions.



Our next *Change for Haiti* Sunday is **August 7**, so please bring your extra change to put in the jars on that Sunday.

## DONATIONS AND OFFERINGS

Our dedicated counters will be counting your donations and offerings on **August 8 and 22**. 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.



## CHOIR NEWS RETREAT/SING-SHOP Saturday, August 20 9am-12pm

You've heard of a Workshop, but how about a Sing-shop?

Gather with choir members and people who like to sing. We'll sing to improve our voices, we'll sing to improve our spirit, we'll sing to make a joyful noise, we'll sing to prepare ourselves to enter the fall singing season and we'll sing to prepare music that will enhance the worship experience of everyone at North Church and beyond.

If you've never sung in a choir but would like to see what it's all about, this is an easy way to try it out. If you have sung in choirs but not for a while, join us to reconnect with that joyful feeling of singing in a group. And of course, if you currently sing in the choir, this is your chance to refocus on music and mentor others.

Our Sing-shop is scheduled for Saturday, August 20, 9am - 12pm in the narthex and fireside rooms. Teens and adults of all ages are welcome to join us – you don't have to be a member of North Church to participate. Coffee, juice, water, and snacks will be available throughout the morning. We will work on an anthem for worship on Sunday, August 21, and we'll also work on an anthem for the Festival of Cultures. And, we'll look through several pieces of music for use in the future. And, sprinkled throughout will be fun, laughter, and opportunity for fellowship.

Please RSVP by August 15, so we may have enough music available for all participants. If you'd like more information or to RSVP call/text Mary at 651-331-1089 or email [livingstonmusic@q.com](mailto:livingstonmusic@q.com).



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| Roseanne Brabender | August 1  | Lindsey Purrington  | August 20 |
| Thor Sellie        | August 2  | Karl Brogren        | August 21 |
| Nina Hicks         | August 3  | Becky Hamilton      | August 21 |
| Dixie Hatcher      | August 4  | Christine Schneider | August 22 |
| Mark Long          | August 4  | Lois Brenner        | August 26 |
| Norm Purrington    | August 5  | Elizabeth Zoya      | August 27 |
| Jim Warner         | August 6  | Jenny Rangel        | August 29 |
| Emily Gerhardson   | August 6  | Helen Patrick       | August 29 |
| Susan Roskos       | August 15 | Leah Atud Ndi       | August 29 |
| Janet Krumrey      | August 15 | Bob Zimanski        | August 30 |
| Sandra Nambangi    | August 16 | Sarah Mauer         | August 31 |
| Catherine Satriano | August 20 |                     |           |

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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 August is Edward Cheng, 240-714-7493.

### **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)



**Monday, August 1**

7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, August 2**

7:00pm Deacons

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Wednesday, August 3**

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

**Thursday, August 4**

6:00pm El Shadai

6:00pm Life Commission

6:30pm Faith Commission

7:00pm Stewardship Commission

7:15pm Nurture Commission

**Friday, August 5**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, August 6**

10:00am El Shadai Bible Study

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, August 7**

8:45am Childcare

9:00am Worship in the Hall

1:30pm El Shadai

**Monday, August 8**

6:00pm Century Commons

7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, August 9**

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Wednesday, August 10**

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

**Thursday, August 11**

6:00pm El Shadai

6:30pm Cub Scouts

**Friday, August 12**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, August 13**

7:00am El Shadai Fasting

10:00am El Shadai Bible Study

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, August 14**

8:45am Childcare

9:00am Worship in the Hall

1:30pm El Shadai

**Monday, August 15**

6:00pm Quilt Guild

7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, August 16**

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Wednesday, August 17**

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

**Thursday, August 18**

6:00pm El Shadai

7:00pm Session

**Friday, August 19**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, August 20**

8:00am Choir Retreat

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, August 21**

8:15am Summertime Singers Practice

8:45am Childcare

9:00am Worship in the Hall

1:30pm El Shadai

**Monday, August 22**

6:00pm Boy Scouts Court of Honor

**Tuesday, August 23**

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Wednesday, August 24**

4:00pm FCHE Open House

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

**Thursday, August 25**

6:00pm El Shadai

**Friday, August 26**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, August 27**

10:00am El Shadai Bible Study

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, August 28**

8:45am Childcare

9:00am Worship in the Hall

1:30pm El Shadai

**Monday, August 29**

**Innovator Articles Due**

7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, August 30**

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Wednesday, August 31**

6:30pm Praise Band Practice

