

# October 2023 Innovator



**One Worship Service at 10am in the Sanctuary**

**Fellowship & Food at 11am in Room 24**

**Seasons Interactive Worship at 6pm in the Hall**

**Worship services will begin at 10:00am and will also be livestreamed on Youtube.**

You can find the links via our webpage <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)

## **Sunday Morning Worship**

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| 9:45am  | Child Care for children 5 years of age and younger              |
| 10:00am | Sunday School for Children preschool thru 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade |
| 10:00am | Worship in the Sanctuary  |
| 11:00am | Refreshments and Fellowship in Room 24                          |

## **Seasons Worship Service**

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| 6:00pm | Seasons Interactive Worship in the Hall            |
| 7:00pm | Hands-On Mission, Games, Open Mic or Lord's Supper |

*Office Hours are 9:00am – 1:00pm Monday thru Wednesday & Friday.*



## **October 6 ~ 6pm – 12am**

A 6-hour Crafting/Scrapbooking/Stamping event! Bring your crafting, scrapbooking, or stamping projects along with your own supplies. Call Nancy Gerhardson at 651-808-0306 or Juanita Zoya at 651-748-9784 to reserve your spot TODAY! The cost is \$20.00 by 10/4/23 or \$25 after that date.



Join us for a combined worship service at New Life Presbyterian Church (965 Larpenteur Ave W, Roseville) on **October 29th!** We will start our morning with worship at 10:00am where we encourage you to dress up as your favorite biblical character. After worship, we will have a Trunk or Treat event where we invite you to decorate your cars and park in the smaller lot next to the pumpkins. We'll have a bounce house for the kids and kids at heart, as well as plenty of snacks and beverages for all to enjoy. We welcome everyone to come and experience the warmth and community of this combined worship event. See you there! *(Please note: There will **not** be a 10am worship service at North on October 29th.)*



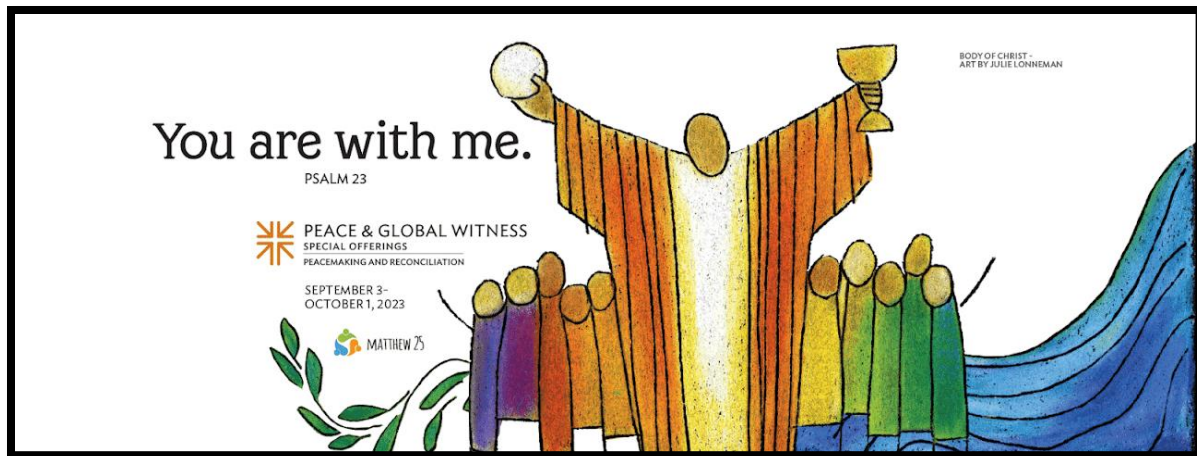
### **Stewardship Campaign**

Our theme for the Fall Stewardship campaign this year is *Grateful Giving*. In this season, we ask you to reflect and prayerfully consider all that has been given to you, and the ways in which you might joyfully return some of your time, talents, and gifts. Your gifts will not only be an investment in our mission but also a testament to your commitment to spreading love, compassion, and hope in our community. Pledge cards will be dedicated during worship on **Sunday, November 12**. If you are unable to attend the service, please mail it to the church or pledge online at [onrealm.org/northchurchmn](http://onrealm.org/northchurchmn). Pledge cards are also available in the pews, gathering space, and church office if you need one. Thank you for your ongoing support.

### **2023 PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN FALL GATHERING**

The women of North Church are invited to the PW Fall Gathering on October 14, 2023, at Calvin Presbyterian Church in Long Lake, MN. If you are interested in attending the PW Fall Gathering, please contact Mary Morrisette, 651-777-3470 or at [mbmorr99@gmail.com](mailto:mbmorr99@gmail.com). Registration closes on **October 1, 2023**.





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 mid-councils for other congregations, 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 1, 2023**.



North Church members and friends are once again invited to partner with New Life Presbyterian Church in hosting a pumpkin patch. Proceeds from the sale benefit the Navajo Nation of New Mexico as well as our church's mission and other projects. Please support the effort by purchasing pumpkins from the patch or volunteering to help staff it. The patch is located at New Life Presbyterian Church, 965 Larpenteur Ave W. in Roseville. Volunteers are needed to help unload these orange spheres of happiness on **Sunday, October 8** (12:30 – 4:30 pm) and to staff the patch during afternoon shifts **October 9 – 31**. Please sign up at the SignUp Genius link - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F4CABAD28A0FC1-newlife> - or contact Kathy Carlson [kmschakel-carlson1@mmm.com](mailto:kmschakel-carlson1@mmm.com) or 651-334-8031.



### UPDATE - PILL BOTTLE COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your continued support of this mission. **Matthew 25 Ministries** has advised they are **only accepting prescription bottles at this time. NO OVER-THE-COUNTER bottles should be donated.** That means no vitamin pill, aspirin, Tylenol bottles, etc. They will continue to accept orange, blue, green opaque bottles. Please recycle your undonated bottles responsibly. **THANK YOU!!**

### 16<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Bowling Tournament and Silent Auction/Raffle on **Sunday, November 26, 2023**. 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. Noon check-in and 12:30pm start time. Details and signup information are available in the Narthex.



Our next *Change for Haiti* Sunday is **October 1**, so please bring your extra change on this Sunday to put in the jars.



St. Mark's Lutheran Church will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, **October 2**, 1pm – 7pm. Blood supplies are extremely low. If you are able, please plan to donate. Please contact Nancy Glasenapp at 651-414-1243 or [Stglasen@aol.com](mailto:Stglasen@aol.com) with any questions. Walk-ins are always welcome!

### DONATIONS AND OFFERINGS

Our dedicated counters will be counting your donations and offerings on **October 16 & 30** and **November 13 & 27**.





**NORTH CHURCH RALLY FOR NIGER 2023**  
**OCTOBER 15**

11am - Walk for Niger! 2.5 mile walk after the morning worship service (starting and ending at North Church)

North Church is excited to participate in the Fall Remember Niger Rally to support our students and schools in Niger! You can play an important part in building new classrooms for children at the Guidan Arna Christian School. Here are the details and how you can participate:

7pm- October 15 – Movie and Letters for Niger! After the *Seasons* Service at 7pm – watch a fabulous 20-minute film that shows Remember Niger students, teachers, classrooms and more! We will write letters of encouragement or record video messages for teachers and staff at the various Remember Niger Schools.

Suggested Donation Amounts:

- Adults: \$30
- Youth 2-17: \$10
- Kids 2 and Under: Free

Even if you aren't walking, you can still donate to the Rally and participate in the letter writing. Best of all, your donation will be matched dollar for dollar from a generous matching gift!

Sign up and/or donate at the following secure link: [Remember Niger Coalition - 2023 Rally for Niger! \(networkforgood.com\)](https://networkforgood.com/remember-niger-coalition-2023-rally-for-niger) or simply scan this QR code:



If you have any questions, please contact Karen Pepin or Paul Colton.

**THANK YOU!**  
**We are excited to see you on October 15!**

**STATEMENT 2023**  
**Year-to-Date Activity**  
**(Detailed report available in the church office)**

<b>Total Income</b>	\$190,591
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>\$210,222</u>
<b>Overall Total Deficit</b>	<b>-\$19,631</b>

**CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION**

Church Office Hours  
(Monday-Wednesday & Friday 9am-1pm)  
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 October is Doug Pepin, 651-888-1113.

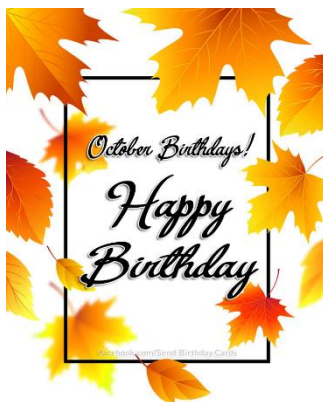
**Custodian**

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)



Lisa Smith	October 1	Bruno Sagnweu	October 13
Brenda Willar	October 2	Madison Bergmann	October 16
Jane Maggart	October 3	Ann Bearth	October 17
Erin Sellie	October 3	Harvey Gleason	October 17
Dave Hoffman	October 4	Damien Langer	October 19
Kris Craft	October 8	Eric Holm	October 22
Billie Novy	October 8	David Novy	October 22
Chrispus Abanei	October 10	Schneider Abanei	October 23
Loveline Ngu	October 10	Beth Shipway	October 25
Zion Oji	October 11	Sharon Iliff	October 27
Steve Glasenapp	October 12	Ryan Smith	October 28
Danny-Bradley Atanga	October 12	Nancy Matteson	October 28



#### **Sunday, October 1 ~ World Communion**

##### **Sunday**

9:45am	Childcare
10:00am	Sunday School for Children
10:00am	Worship
11:00am	Fellowship
1:00pm	El Shadai
4:20pm	Praise Band Practice
6:00pm	Seasons Worship Service

##### **Tuesday, October 3**

6:30pm	CMA
6:30pm	Northern Bells
7:00pm	Deacons
7:00pm	12-Step Meeting

#### **Wednesday, October 4**

5:30pm	Youth Ministry
6:00pm	Praise Band
7:00pm	Choir Practice

##### **Thursday, October 5**

8:00am	FCHE
6:00pm	El Shadai
6:00pm	Life Commission
6:30pm	Faith Commission
7:00pm	Stewardship Commission
7:15pm	Nurture Commission

##### **Friday, October 6**

6:00pm	Craft Til U Drop
7:00pm	El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, October 7**

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, October 8**

9:45am Childcare

10:00am Sunday School for Children

10:00am Worship

11:00am Fellowship

1:00pm El Shadai

4:20pm Praise Band Practice

6:00pm Seasons Worship Service

**Monday, October 9**

7:00pm Personnel

**Tuesday, October 10**

6:30pm CMA

6:30pm Northern Bells

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Wednesday, October 11**

6:00pm Praise Band

6:00pm Wednesday Women

7:00pm Choir Practice

**Thursday, October 12**

8:00am FCHE

6:00pm El Shadai

**Saturday, October 14**

3:00pm El Shadai Pastor Appreciation

**Sunday, October 15 ~ Hands-On Mission**

9:45am Childcare

10:00am Sunday School for Children

10:00am Worship

11:00am Fellowship

11:00am Walk for Niger

1:00pm El Shadai

4:20pm Praise Band Practice

6:00pm Seasons Worship Service

**Tuesday, October 17**

6:30pm CMA

6:30pm Northern Bells

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Wednesday, October 18**

10:00am Choral Bells

5:30pm Youth Ministry

6:00pm Praise Band

7:00pm Choir Practice

**Thursday, October 19**

8:00am FCHE

6:00pm El Shadai

7:00pm Session

**Friday, October 20**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, October 21**

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, October 22**

9:45am Childcare

10:00am Sunday School for Children

10:00am Worship

11:00am Fellowship

1:00pm El Shadai

4:20pm Praise Band Practice

6:00pm Seasons Worship Service

**Tuesday, October 24**

6:30pm CMA

6:30pm Northern Bells

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Wednesday, October 25**

6:00pm Praise Band

7:00pm Choir Practice

**Thursday, October 26**

8:00am FCHE

6:00pm El Shadai

**Friday, October 27**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, October 28**

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, October 29**

10:00am Worship @ New Life

Presbyterian

11:00am Trunk or Treat at New Life

1:00pm El Shadai

4:20pm Praise Band Practice

6:00pm Seasons Worship Service

**Monday, October 30****Innovator Articles Due****Tuesday, October 31**

6:30pm CMA

6:30pm Northern Bells

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting