

# August 2024 Innovator



## Sunday Morning Worship Service at 10am in the Sanctuary

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)

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



## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE WAY WORSHIP ~ AUGUST 18

The congregation is invited to join youth mission trip participants Solii, Rejoice, and Byrant from North as they lead worship on **August 18** at 10am at Presbyterian Church of the Way (PCOTW) located at 3382 Lexington Ave N, Shoreview. Please note that there will be no worship service at North on that day. Instead, we invite you to join us for shared worship with New Life, Kenyan Christian Outreach Church (KCOC), PCOTW, and North at PCOTW. For those unable to join us in person, we will be live streaming the service on the PCOTW website at [pcotw.org](http://pcotw.org).

We look forward to a meaningful and inspiring worship service led by the talented youth mission trip members. This is a great opportunity to come together as a community and celebrate our faith. Please mark your calendars and join us on **August 18** at PCOTW.



Get ready to indulge in a sweet and frosty treat at our upcoming Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, **August 14**, from 6:00-8:00pm at North Church. We will be serving build-your-own sundaes, mouth-watering desserts, and refreshing root beer floats. But that's not all, we have a fun-filled evening planned for you! Join our Ice cream eating contest and stand a chance to win exciting prizes. Bring along your family and friends to make it a scoop-tacular evening. Don't miss out on the fun!

We invite you to join us for the Festival of Cultures on **September 8** at 10am at North Church. This unique service celebrates the diversity and unity of our community through worship in Spanish, Hausa, and English, and uses scripture to gain Latino, African, and Western insights on God's peace. The service will also feature music from Latino, African, and American Praise Bands and Choirs. In addition to the spiritually enriching worship, you will be treated to a feast of Latino, African, and American food followed by exciting games. This worship service is a joint ministry of El Shadai New Hope Ministries, Trinity Presbyterian, New Life Presbyterian, Kenyan Christian Outreach Church, Presbyterian Church of Cameron, Presbyterian Church of Ghana and North Presbyterian. We are expecting numerous guests. We hope you will join us in worship, fellowship, games and celebration of God's peace that transforms all of us and unites us.



The 2024 MN State Fair will be held from August 22 - September 2. North Church will again partner with New Life Presbyterian to host a Park & Ride location at their location. Volunteers are needed for 2-hour shifts to greet and direct fairgoers. We also need "captains" to be onsite leaders for half days. This is a fun opportunity to bring family and friends, interact with community members, and support a strong fundraiser for our church. Please sign up at this link – [New Life Presbyterian Church: 2024 State Fair Park & Ride \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.newlifepresbyterian.org/2024-state-fair-park-ride) – or contact Kathy Carlson (651-334-8031, [kmschakel-carlson1@mmm.com](mailto:kmschakel-carlson1@mmm.com)) or other Faith Commission members with questions.

## WEDNESDAY WOMEN MOVING TO TUESDAY!

WW have decided to change our meeting night to accommodate our members' participation in *Seasons* worship. Our meetings, September through May, will now be the **SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 6 PM, HOSPITALITY ROOM**. If this schedule change allows you to join us, please let me know as I will be ordering the lesson books early in August. We welcome new members!!

Our next study is "Let Justice Roll Down. God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation". The focus is on Environmental Justice. The study has 9 lessons. Price for the lesson book is \$10 plus \$1 for shipping and will be available to distribute middle August.

If you are interested, have questions, please feel free to contact Mary Morrisette, at 763-218-3797 (call or text) or at [mbmorr99@gmail.com](mailto:mbmorr99@gmail.com)



## 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 will be singing **August 25**. 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](mailto:mary.livingstonmusic@gmail.com).

## ***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.





## **CHOIR RETREAT AND ADVANCE!**

Save the date! The choir retreat will be held on Saturday, **August 24**, 9am - noon at North Church.

This event is open to all current, former, and future choir members - or people who just want to sing on a Saturday morning. If you enjoy singing and want to share your voice, please join us at the retreat and advance your musical skills. The retreat will include vocal warm-ups, discovery of new ways to improve your singing voice, reading both familiar and new music ... and snacks! Some snacks will be provided, but feel free to bring something to share, if you'd like.

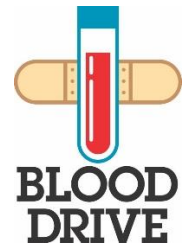
For more information, contact Mary at 651-331-1089 (call/text) or [mary.livingstonmusic@gmail.com](mailto:mary.livingstonmusic@gmail.com).



## **CHILDCARE CHANGES**

The Nurture Commission would like to inform you of a recent decision made at our July 11 meeting regarding our childcare services. Effective July 28, we will be temporarily pausing childcare services until September 15. This decision was not made lightly, and we appreciate your understanding during this time. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Nancy Gerhardson for her exceptional service as our interim Child Care Provider. We are thankful for all those who have dedicated their time to caring for our children in the past and those who have already volunteered to serve in the future. At this moment, we are facing resource constraints that make year-round childcare unfeasible. However, we are committed to resuming seasonal childcare starting on September 15. In line with our beliefs, we affirm that God's love knows no bounds and that everyone, regardless of age or cognitive development, is inspired and cherished in worship. We are thrilled to welcome children into the Sanctuary for worship as we continue to nurture their spiritual growth. For further details and guidelines, please refer to the Children Guidelines. Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we navigate this transition.

Church of St. Peter will host the next Red Cross Blood Drive on Wednesday, **August 7**, 1-7 pm. If you are able, please plan to donate. To schedule an appointment, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: North St Paul Churches. Please contact Nancy Glasenapp at 651-414-1243 with any questions.



Our next *Change for Haiti* Sunday is **August 4**, so please bring in your extra change on that Sunday.

### DONATIONS AND OFFERINGS

Our dedicated counters will be counting your donations and offerings on **August 12 and 26**.



## SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2024

### Year-to-Date Activity

(Detailed report available in the church office)

Total Income	\$136,468
Total Expenses	\$148,763
Overall Total (Deficit)	<u><u>-\$12,295</u></u>



Roseanne Brabender	August 1	Catherine Satriano	August 20
Thor Sellie	August 2	Karl Brogren	August 21
Nina Hicks	August 3	Becky Hamilton	August 21
Mark Long	August 4	Elizabeth Zoya	August 27
Norm Purrington	August 5	Jenny Rangel	August 29
Jim Warner	August 6	Helen Patrick	August 29
Emily Gerhardson	August 6	Bob Zimanski	August 30
Janet Krumrey	August 15	Sarah Mauer	August 31
Sandra Nambangi	August 16		



**Thursday, August 1**

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

**Friday, August 2**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, August 3**

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, August 4**

10:00am Worship  
 1:00pm El Shadai

**Tuesday, August 6**

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

**Thursday, August 8**

6:00pm El Shadai

**Friday, August 9**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, August 10**

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, August 11**

10:00am Worship  
 1:00pm El Shadai

**Monday, August 12**

7:00pm Personnel

**Tuesday, August 13 ~ Primary Election**

7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Wednesday, August 14**

6:00pm Ice Cream Social

**Thursday, August 15**

6:00pm El Shadai  
 7:00pm Session

**Friday, August 16**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, August 17**

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, August 18**

10:00am Youth Worship @ Church of the  
 Way

1:00pm El Shadai

**Tuesday, August 20**

6:30pm CMA  
 7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Thursday, August 22**

6:00pm El Shadai

**Friday, August 23**

7:00pm El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, August 24**

9:00am Choir Retreat  
 3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, August 25**

9:15am Summertime Singers  
 10:00am Worship  
 1:00pm El Shadai

**Monday, August 26**

**Innovator Articles Due**

**Tuesday, August 27**

6:30pm CMA  
 7:00pm 12-Step Meeting

**Thursday, August 29**

6:00pm El Shadai

**Friday, August 30**

7:00pm  
 El Shadai Youth Fellowship

**Saturday, August 31**

3:00pm El Shadai

**CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION**

Church Office Hours  
(Monday-Wednesday & Friday 9:00am-1:00pm)  
north@northchurch-mn.org  
651-777-4044

*(Voicemail is checked Monday – Wednesday & Friday)*

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 [rkristensen@gmail.com](mailto:rkristensen@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 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)