

Good Morning Church!

NORTH BEND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, November 14, 2021

Because God is worthy we worship

**indicates to stand, if able*

GATHERING AND WELCOME

Prelude

Announcements

Annual Church Conference: Following worship we will stay in the sanctuary for our annual meeting where we will highlight the blessings of the past year and look forward to the mission of the coming year. A few brief reports will be given about our ministry goals and leadership roles. After the meeting we will dismiss to the fellowship hall for lunch together.

(Are there any other Announcements?)

COME BEFORE THE LORD

***Call to Worship¹**

Leader: The time for harvest is close at hand. What have you done with the gifts God has given you?

People: We have brought our gifts to the house of the Lord.

Leader: Praise God for the gifts and for opportunities for service that they represent.

People: We praise God for all the ways in which our lives have been blessed.

Leader: Generous God, accept our gifts and our lives this day.

People: Loving God, accept our praise and gratitude. Amen.

***Singing**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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(verses 1 & 2)

PRAY UNTO THE LORD

***Praying Together²**

Holy One, there is no God like you. In praise and thanksgiving, we come before you ready to learn of your power, ready to follow your path for our lives. Through days of jubilation as well as dejection, help us realize your influence in the world. We ask simply for ears to hear, eyes to

**see, and minds to comprehend the blessings you bestow.
Amen.**

Joys & Concerns

Silent & Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Anthem

Reading the Scripture

Zephaniah 1:1-7 (NIV)

- 1:1 The word of the LORD that came to Zephaniah son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hezekiah, during the reign of Josiah son of Amon king of Judah:
- 2 "I will sweep away everything from the face of the earth," declares the LORD.
- 3 "I will sweep away both man and beast; I will sweep away the

birds in the sky and the fish in the sea— and the idols that
cause the wicked to stumble.”“When I destroy all mankind on
the face of the earth,” declares the LORD,
4 “I will stretch out my hand against Judah and against all who
live in Jerusalem. I will destroy every remnant of Baal worship
in this place, the very names of the idolatrous priests—
5 those who bow down on the roofs to worship the starry host,
those who bow down and swear by the LORD and who also
swear by Molek,
6 those who turn back from following the LORD and neither seek
the LORD nor inquire of him.”
7 Be silent before the Sovereign LORD, for the day of the LORD is
near. The LORD has prepared a sacrifice; he has consecrated
those he has invited.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Proclaiming the Gospel *The Prophet Zephaniah and His Message*

RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

***Singing**

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

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(v. 1, 4)

GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD

***Receiving the Blessing**

Postlude

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