

Good Morning!

North Bend Church
a Global Methodist Congregation

Sunday, November 5, 2023
Because God is worthy we worship

GATHERING AND WELCOME

Prelude

Announcements

BIBLE STUDY resumed on Tuesday, October 31st at 10:00am.
The study is on the Old Testament book of Zephaniah.

Church Directory Check the list of names and contact information on the sheets in back. This information will be used to update our church directory.

LEADERSHIP MEETING There will be a leadership team meeting on Tuesday November 14 at 6:30 pm.

Operation Christmas Child 2023 Video

(Are there any other Announcements?)

COME BEFORE THE LORD

***Call to Worship¹**

Leader: God is leading us out of our wilderness.

People: God will provide a safe haven for us.

Leader: Place your trust in God's loving kindness.

People: God has heard our cries and offers us hope.

Leader: Thanks be to God who brings us to life.

People: Thanks be to God who nurtures and sustains us.

Amen.

***Singing**

Come, Thou Almighty King

UMH #61

(vs. 1, 4)

**1. Come, thou almighty King,
help us thy name to sing,
help us to praise!
Father all glorious,
o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days!**

**4. To thee, great One in Three,
eternal praises be,**

hence, evermore.
Thy sovereign majesty
may we in glory see,
and to eternity
love and adore!

PRAY UNTO THE LORD

***Praying Together¹**

God of gentle, loving guidance, who brought the Israelites into a new land, filled with new hope and promise: Be with us today, opening our hearts and spirits to an awareness of your abiding love and presence with us. Help us to place our trust solely in you; for we ask this in Jesus' Name, Amen.

Joys & Concerns

Silent & Pastoral Prayer

The 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

Galatians 5:13-18 (NIV)

5:13 You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh ; rather, serve one another humbly in love.

14 For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command:
“Love your neighbor as yourself.”

15 If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

16 So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

17 For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want.

18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

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

ALL: Thanks be to God.

RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

***Singing**

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

UMH #117

(vs. 1, 2, 3)

**1. O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home!**

**2. Under the shadow of thy throne,
still may we dwell secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defense is sure.**

**3. Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting, thou art God,
to endless years the same.**

GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD

***Receiving the Blessing**

Postlude

¹From "Worship Connection: November 5, 2023," by Nancy C. Townley, ministrymatters.com.