# **OLD NORTH CHURCH**

Our mission is to follow Christ and proclaim his word in a lost and broken world so loved by God.

October 26, 2025

9:30 A.M.

Theodore Bubeck

Rev Dr Joanne Van Sant Pastor Friends to Friends Community Church Mr. Alan Newman
Organist and Music Director

**WE APPROACH GOD** 

PRELUDE "Meditation"

"Abide With Me" arr. Diane Bish

**GREETINGS AND OPENING PRAYER** 

\*HYMN #44 "Great is the Lord"

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

We know that there is a place for us at this table.

Our hearts are filled with gratitude!

We notice that there is a place for those not like us.

We come ready to open our hearts beyond their current size.

We humbly take our seat.

We look into each face and know the presence of Jesus!

**HYMN #502** "Amazing Grace"

**Invitation and Unison Prayer of Confession** 

God of our lives, the turning of the season reminds us of our frailty as nature goes through change: The morning mists softening the landscape, the days drawing shorter and the nights colder and on the air the smell of evening rain and fallen leaves. Let all creation sing your praise!

God of all time and all seasons, we come before you now, all too aware of our smallness and our brokenness. All too aware that our insecurities, our selfish thoughts, and our secret desires are an open book to you. God of mercy, forgive us: Our words and actions have injured others. God of mercy, forgive us: Our silence and inaction have injured others. God of mercy, forgive us: For the harm we have done to the earth. God of mercy, forgive us: For we have failed to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you. God of mercy, forgive and renew us. Help us to live in each moment and in every circumstance lives of generosity and peace. Amen.

**KYRIE** 

Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy upon us

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

**SHARING OF THE PEACE** 

THE PEACE OF CHRIST BE WITH YOU!

AND ALSO WITH YOU!

LIVING THE WAY OF JESUS

\*GLORIA PATRI #805

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost! As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end; Amen, Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

YOUNG DISCIPLES TIME

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Romans 12: 9-21 Marianne Schmude

Matthew 16: 24-25

SERMON HYMN #498 "I Love to Tell the Story"

**SERMON** "Hospitality And The Imago Dei"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

**OFFERING** 

OFFERTORY "Prière à Notre Dame" Léon Boëllmann

\*DOXOLOGY #809

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**DEDICATION OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES** 

ANNOUNCEMENTS Scott Benell

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*HYMN #517

"The Solid Rock"

### \*BENEDICTION

Hospitable God, Jesus, Host of our Tables, Spirit, Sustainer of our Lives, we give you thanks for all you have given. We know that you have heard the sorrows and joys spoken here and the ones we keep in the quiet of our hearts. We know that already you are present where needed and you call us to do the same. And God's people say, Amen. Go in peace as the reaffirmed church of Jesus Christ.

We go to be his body in a broken world.

May the grace of God and the love of Christ go with you.

Amen

### \*PARTING SONG

May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever. Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and see his face and his grace forever. May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

POSTLUDE "Toccato" Lani Smith

\*Please rise, in body or in spirit. **Bold words indicate unison participation.** 

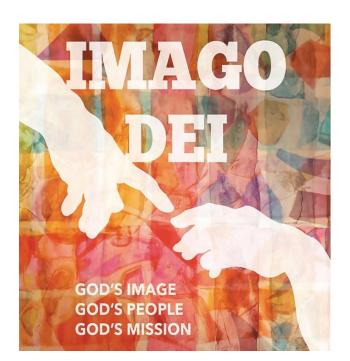
Welcome to Old North. We are pleased you chose to worship with us today!

Please fill out a welcome card if you would like us to have a record of your visit, more information about Old North, or wish to be contacted by the Pastor.

**Prayer Requests:** If you have a prayer request this morning, please fill out the Prayer Request section of the welcome card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

#### THE CONSISTORY OF OLD NORTH

ELDERS: Jon Babicz, Scott Benell, Karen DiBella, Carol Sushko
DEACONS: Tim Frohlich, Rene Gallagher, Brianna Polbos, Richard Schmude
Minister and Pastor: Debbie Rundecker



# **OLD NORTH REFORMED CHURCH**

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# Welcome to worship at Old North Reformed Church!

If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please leave your contact information in the guest book in the entrance to the sanctuary before leaving today.

We encourage you to keep this copy of the bulletin and take it home to share with a family member or with a friend. The service can be experienced anytime online via Old North's YouTube channel or Facebook page.



Offering Envelopes will soon be available for 2025. If you do not already receive them and you would like to, please contact the office. You will receive an offering statement for your taxes at the end of the year.

**Prayer Chain:** If you wish to add the power of prayer in times of celebration, healing, or transitions in life, please call Pat Hooey, 201-843-4456.

Your prayer requests are uplifted by our prayer team, and confidentiality is honored.

## **Church Family Prayer List:**

• Diana • Helen • Katie • Michael • Tom

For those chronic conditions and their loving caregivers; those seeking employment or vocation; those facing medical procedures or recovering from surgery, and safety for all who are traveling. Prayers for all who serve in the military, home and abroad and for all first responders.

Scheduled to serve today with our thanks:
Ushers & Greeters: Marrianne & Mikayla Schmude

Thank you to Carol McCarthy and Rich Schellberg for hosting Coffee Hour today.

	Ushers & Greeters	Coffee Hour Hosts
11/2	Scott Benell, Karen DiBella, Steven Cordova	
11/9	Carol McCarthy and Rich Schellberg	
11/16	Donair Karkkainen and Ethel Reitsema	
11/23	Betsy and Jack Erhard	Kathleen West and Gail McNeill
11/30	Mikayla and Nate Schmude	Scout Troop 64

# Congratulations to all of our Church Family who are celebrating a special event! Happy Birthday!



11/7 Betsy Erhard – 11/8 MaryBeth Frohlich – 11/8 Marilyn Hashway 11/16 Aiden Babicz – 11/17 Ken Huth – 11/22 Kathleen West 11/23 Jon Babicz



Old North Reformed Church has called Rev. Debbie Rundecker to be our Minister of Word and sacrament and will be installed on 11/30/25 at 3:00 pm. "The Book of Church Order (Chapter 1, Part I, Article 2, Section 3) directs that after a call to a minister of Word and sacrament to the pastorate of a church has been approved by the classis and accepted by

the minister, the name of the person so called "shall be published in the church on three successive Sundays, so that opportunity may be afforded for the raising of lawful objections. "If you have a concern or question, please see Scott Benell or any Consistory Member.

**All Saints' Day**: On November 2<sup>nd</sup> we will celebrate All Saints' Day. If you have a friend or loved one that you would like mentioned who has passed since last years' All Saints' Day, please let the office know.

**Bergen County Housing & Human Services:** There is a collection box on the stage in the auditorium for gloves, hats, scarves, socks, toiletries, deodorant, shaving cream, razors, toothpaste, tooth brushes, etc.... If you have any questions, contact Donair Karkkainen. **ONLY NEW ITEMS PLEASE!** 

**Triple Header:** Food Drive – Thrift Shoppe Donation Drop – Winter drive for Bergen County Housing & Human Services. November 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 12 pm. we will be collecting donations for our missions!



Greetings friends. If you would like to talk or I can help you with anything, please call or text me at 973-600-5848.

### OLD NORTH THRIFT SHOPPE - NEXT SALE IS ON NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

We are accepting donations on Tuesday mornings from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. with the exeption of the week before a sale.

**2026 Sale Dates** 2/14, 3/14, 4/11, 5,9, 6/6, 9/12, 10/10, 11/7, 12/5