

OLD NORTH CHURCH

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

September 14, 2025

9:30 A.M.

Reverend Debbie Rundecker
Minister of Word and Sacrament

Mr. Alan Newman
Organist and Music Director

WE APPROACH GOD

PRELUDE

“Three Quiet Preludes” Frederick Jacobi
“Alas! And Did My Saviour Bleed” Hugh Wilson

***HYMN #21** “How Great Thou Art”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord!
Sing praise to God’s name!
The Lord has done wonderful things for us!
The Lord has heaped blessing upon blessing in our lives!
Come, sing, shout, and give thanks to God.
In all our ways, we will continually thank God!

HYMN #20 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Invitation and Unison Prayer of Confession *adapted from holdfasttowhatisgood.com*
Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives – that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful.

We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do. We love with condition. We judge and condemn. We cast the first stone and keep the logs in our own eyes. We do not turn to You as the source of our healing.
Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our us and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. Amen.

...a time of silence is kept...

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14
SERMON HYMN #536 “Open Our Eyes, Lord”
SERMON “Cost of Worship”

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

***Heidelberg Catechism** Lord’s Day 4 Insert
OFFERING
OFFERTORY “Morning Hymn” Flor Peeters

***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 #580 “Jesus Calls Us o’er the Tumult”

*BENEDICTION

*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 “The Little Fugue in G Minor” Johann S. Bach

*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.



OLD NORTH REFORMED CHURCH

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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

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.



A Blessing of backpacks and briefcases is a religious service, typically held by churches before the start of the school year, where students, teachers, and professionals bring their bags to receive a prayer for a year of learning, growth, and productivity. It is a way for congregations to show support and offer spiritual encouragement to those heading back to school or work, and the blessing often extends to all types of bags and even tools of a trade. If you did not receive a tag for your bag last week, please see Pastor Debbie.

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 • Ethan • 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: Nancy Gorman, Linda Treacy

Thank you to Rene Gallagher for hosting Coffee Hour today.

	Ushers & Greeters	Coffee Hour Hosts
9/21	Mikayla & Nate Schmude	Deb Connolly & Brianna Polbos
9/28	Ethel Reitsema, Donair Karkkainen	Betsy & Jack Erhard
10/5	Scott Benell, Karen DiBella, Nancy Gorman	Nancy Gorman
10/12	Betsy & Jack Erhard	Linda Treacy

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

9/5 Maureen Van Buren – 9/9 Nancy Gorman – 9/9 Shawn Gorman
9/17 Dawn Bennewitz – 9/17 Jack Erhard



Happy Anniversary!

9/11 Scott & Nancy Benell – 9/18 Jon & Jena Babicz
9/21 Henry & Nancy Gorman



Our next Consistory Meeting is next Sunday following worship in the Lounge.

Help Wanted: We are seeking Liturgists to help lead worship. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Auditorium.



Old North Thrift Shoppe Grand Re-Opening! Thank you to all of our volunteers for their hard work for another successful sale. We are accepting donations on Tuesday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. with the exception of the week before a sale. With fewer people receiving the newspaper we are low on wrapping materials for our sales. If you have newspapers to recycle we will gladly take them!

1ST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL - RALLY DAY BBQ



Food Drive: Our next Food Drive is on 9/27 from 9 am – 12 pm. Contact Scott Benell if you are interested in volunteering.

Pastor Debbie's Installation: We will be having the installation for Pastor Debbie on October 12th at 3:00 p.m. Save the date!

Capital Project Fund: Keep in your prayers our Capital Project Fund. The fund has been set up to maintain our beautiful Sanctuary and property. Contributions can be made by check to Old North or cash clearly labeled **CPF**.