

OLD NORTH CHURCH

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

October 12, 2025

9:30 A.M.

Reverend Debbie Rundecker
Minister of Word and Sacrament

Mr. Alan Newman
Organist and Music Director

WE APPROACH GOD

PRELUDE

“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”
“The Little Fugue in G Minor”
“Nimrod”

Michael Burkhardt
Johann S. Bach
Edward Elgar

GREETINGS AND OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN #108 “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 63:1-5

God, You are my God. I earnestly seek

I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water.

I have seen you in your sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.

Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.

I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands.

I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

HYMN #9 “Sing Praise to the Father”

Invitation and Unison Prayer of Confession

adapted from thepastorsworkshop.com

Gracious God,

We confess that our attention wanders. We know that we don’t always listen well to your word. Our lives are full of distractions. We pay attention to things which deform our lives and steal our time. We are inattentive to the people around us who you call us to love. We have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Refresh us again with your Holy Spirit. Give us ears to hear you, eyes to see with your compassion, hands to reach out with your love and feet to walk the road you call us to walk. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the One who speaks your word to us and listens to us in our times of need. 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

YOUNG DISCIPLES’ TIME

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 3:1-21

SERMON HYMN #447 “Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God”

SERMON

Knock, Knock...Who’s There

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

*Heidelberg Catechism

Lord’s Day 8

(Insert)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Chaconne”

Louis Couperin

***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 #576** “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

***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 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” Johann Walther

***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

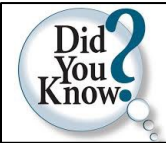


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Welcome to worship at Old North Reformed Church!

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.



The Purpose of an Installation Service....

Recognition: Acknowledges the pastor's calling, qualifications, and readiness for leadership. **Dedication:** Commits the pastor to spiritual duties and the congregation's well-being. **Celebration:** Honors the congregation's unity and support during the transition to new leadership.

Clarification: Underscores the responsibilities of both the pastor to the church and the church to the pastor. Join us this afternoon for the Installation Service of Rev. Debbie Rundecker at 3:00 p.m.

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: Betsy & Jack Erhard
Thank you to Linda Treacy for hosting Coffee Hour today.

	Ushers & Greeters	Coffee Hour Hosts
10/19	Linda Treacy, Ethel Reitsema	Maureen Van Buren
10/26	Mikayla & Nate Schmude	Carol McCarthy and Rich Schellberg
11/2	Scott Benell, Karen DiBella, Steven Cordova	Sign up in the Auditorium
11/9	Carol McCarthy and Rich Schellberg	Sign up in the Auditorium

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



10/7 Doris Reisser – 10/12 Bob Hashway – 10/22 Ethan Cordova

Happy Anniversary!

10/7 Ben & Sandry Toscano



House and Properties Committee: The House and Properties Committee will be meeting on the first Sunday of each month. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Jon Babicz.

Old North Reformed Church has called Rev. Debbie Rundecker to be our Minister of Word and sacrament and will be installed on 10/12/25. “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 2nd 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.



Greetings friends. Since we are still getting know one another, I wanted to let you know I am always available to talk. We can talk about ANYTHING, questions, concerns or the best chocolate chip cookie recipe. No topic is off the table. My door is open and I am at church most Tuesdays through Friday from 9-12 and other hours as we can arrange. It is important to us as a church family that we are always honest and open with one another.

Old North Thrift Shoppe: We are accepting donations on Tuesday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. with the exeption 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!

The office will be closed on Monday 10/13, in observance of Columbus Day.

Carol Sushko would like to thank our church family for your concern, cards and prayers during her illness. With heartfelt appreciation, God bless you all!