# **OLD NORTH CHURCH**

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

**September 21, 2025** 

9:30 A.M.

Reverend Debbie Rundecker Minister of Word and Sacrament

Mr. Alan Newman
Organist and Music Director

## **WE APPROACH GOD**

**PRELUDE** "Variation on an American Hymn Tune"

Gordon Young

**GREETINGS AND OPENING PRAYER** 

\*HYMN #362 "Morning Has Broken"

**CALL TO WORSHIP** adapted from Psalm 150:1-6

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens!

Praise him for his mighty deeds.

Praise him according to his excellent greatness!

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!

Let us worship God with joy!

**HYMN #115** "Fairest Lord Jesus"

## **Invitation and Unison Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, we confess that we seek gain at the cost of loyalty, comfort at the cost of courage, self at the cost of others. Lord, have mercy and forgive us. We let bitterness root and grow in our hearts. We let fear silence our trust. We let our own needs overshadow the needs of others. Christ, have mercy and forgive us. We run when You call us to remain. We are silent when You call us to speak. We choose the easy way when You call us to be brave. Lord, have mercy and forgive us. Turn our fear into faith, our silence into witness, and our weakness into courage. Teach us to follow where You lead, and to trust that You are faithful still.

...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 27:1-41

SERMON HYMN #538 "I Need The Every Hour"

**SERMON** "The Stolen Blessing"

## **WE RESPOND TO THE WORD**

\*Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 5 Insert

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Deck Thyself" arr. Joseph Clokey

\*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 #124

"I Love You Lord"

(sing through twice)

\*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 "Trum

"Trumpet Voluntary"

Francis Linley

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

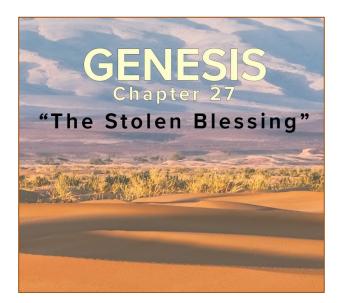
Welcome to Old North. We are pleased you chose to worship with us today!

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.



The Donor Plaque for our Legacy Window Project is complete and is hanging in the sanctuary by the doorway leading to the church house.

**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: Mikayla & Nate Schmude

Thank you to Deb Connolly & Brianna Polbos for hosting Coffee Hour today.

	Ushers & Greeters	Coffee Hour Hosts
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 Consistory Meeting is TODAY 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 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!

## 1<sup>ST</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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**.