

NORTHPARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 31, 2026



Mike Moyers, *Be Thou My Vision*

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

A vision is not just a picture of what could be,
it is an appeal to our better selves,
a call to become something more.

- Rosabeth Moss Kanter

WELCOME

One: The Lord be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

Rev. Amy Moore, Parish Associate

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision
Louis Walker, Organist

A. Travis

INTROIT

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether
Sanctuary Choir
Tinsley Silcox, Director

Harold Friedell

✠Please rise as you are able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Anne Thomas, Liturgist

One: In the beginning was the vision.

**All: And the vision was with God
and spoke of peace.**

One: In the beginning was the vision.

**All: And the vision was with God
and spoke of justice.**

One: In the beginning was the vision.

**All: And the vision was with God
and spoke of love.**

One: We come to worship
in a spirit of peace, justice, and love.

**All: We come to worship
to glimpse the promise
of a new heaven and earth.**

One: Let us worship God.

✠HYMN 450 Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

✠PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

We repent, Lord,
of all the ways we doubt your promises.
Open our hearts to your vision,
which is truer than anything we can perceive:
there *will* be a new heaven and new earth,
you are coming to make all things new.
Help us live our lives in anticipation of your vision.
Let our words and actions sow the seeds of your kin-dom,
foreshadowing the perfect peace, justice, and love that will prevail.
Gratefully we pray. Amen.

✠PROMISE OF GRACE

One: There is a new heaven, a new earth and a new city -
where the river of life flows,
where the tree of life bears fruit in every season.
This heaven, this earth,
this city and river and tree
are a vision of life reborn, restored, and renewed.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

✠HYMN 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

✠SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

**One: The peace of Christ be with you!
All: And also with you!**

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

Kathy McCarron, Director of Christian Education

All children (youth and parents too!) are invited to the front of the Sanctuary.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 21:1-5a

**One: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON Reformed Words for a Transformed World:
V Is for Vision

Rev. Nicole Bates, Pastor

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (together)

From the Iona Community (adapted)

**We believe that God is present
where fear and courage join hands,
conflict and caring link arms,
and the sun rises over barbed wire.
We believe in a with-us God
who sits down in our midst to share our humanity.
We affirm a faith that takes us beyond the safe place
into action, into vulnerability, and into the streets.
We commit ourselves to work for change and put us on the line -
to bear responsibility and take risks,
to live powerfully and face humiliation,
to stand with those on the edge,
to participate in God's vision for all creation. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

SHARING OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM Be Thou My Vision Tinsley Silcox
 Caiden Hernandez, Flute

Lyrics can be found in the Glory to God Hymnal, #450.

✠**HYMN 606** Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✠PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SABBATICAL SEND-OFF FOR NICOLE BATES

✠**HYMN 543** God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me GREEN TYLER

✠**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Matthew 22:37-39
Go out into the world in peace.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind;
and love your neighbor as yourself.

✠**RESPONSE** Alleluia, Amen Randall Thompson

POSTLUDE March (Organ Symphony #3) C. M. Widor

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NEWS AT NORTHPARK

WELCOME

Welcome to worship at NorthPark! Please record your attendance in the blue book found in your pew. Newcomers - by sharing your contact information, NorthPark will donate a bag of rice to a local food pantry in your honor. Hearing-assisted devices are available from an usher.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Children of all ages are welcome in worship! A station with resources to borrow is located outside the Sanctuary, and a table with activities and space to color is in the front of the Sanctuary. The nursery is also available for infants - PK in Room 50.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We worship at 10:00 a.m. through Sunday, September 6. Kick-Off Sunday is September 13 when Faith Formation resumes, and there is one worship service at 11:00 a.m. followed by a BBQ lunch. The 8:30 a.m. worship service resumes September 20.

POPSICLES ON THE PLAYGROUND

Stop by the playground today after worship and cool off with a popsicle.

CROSSROADS (YOUNG ADULTS)

Singles and couples (22-40ish) meet in the Lounge from 11:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. discuss the Gospel of Mark led by Jann Treadwell.

JustUs MEETING

This civic engagement group meets in the Small Dining Room at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome!

CENTERING PRACTICES

Centering Practices meets in the Lounge from 9:15 - 9:45 a.m. Finding stillness in contemplative prayer, we practice listening for the desires God places on our hearts.

PICKIN' AND PRAYIN' GUITAR CIRCLE

This group will meet today in the Parlor at 11:00 a.m. Connect with your guitar, music, God, and others. Bring your instrument. Music provided.

REFORMED WORDS CARD DECK

Pick up weekly "Reformed Words for a Transformed World" card in the foyer featuring scripture, reflection questions, and a breath prayer. It's a simple way to carry the Sunday message into your daily life. If you miss a Sunday, previous weeks' cards are available, too.

TODAY'S FLOWERS

Flowers are given by the Rev. Nicole Bates in gratitude to NorthPark for the gift of sabbatical.

TALK ABOUT IT

Reflecting on today's service, may these questions guide your thoughts and conversations:

1. Are you living the life God wants you to live (or the one someone else has designed for you)?
2. What is God's vision for the world? What is one way you feel called to live into that vision?

HOW TO GIVE



NorthPark relies on your generosity to support the mission and ministry of the church. Offering envelopes are found in the pew racks. Online gifts may be given by scanning the QR code with your phone camera. Checks may be mailed to NPPC; 9555 N. Central Expressway; Dallas, TX 75231.

NEWS AND INFORMATION

SUMMER CHOIR

Sing with the NorthPark Sanctuary Choir in June and August! Experience the joy of singing familiar anthems chosen by choir members. No audition is needed. The next rehearsal begins at 7:30 p.m. on August 5. On Sundays in June and August the choir will rehearse at 9:30 a.m. before the 10:00 a.m. service. There is no choir in July.

SACRED SHENANIGANS – YOUTH

Youth entering grades 6-12 are invited to participate this summer in “Sacred Shenanigans” every other Monday beginning tomorrow, June 1 through August 10, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in the Youth Lounge. Contact Anna Hernandez for more info (ahernandez@northparkpres.org).

CANCER PILLOW MINISTRY

Join us Tuesday, June 2, at 9:30 a.m. in the Small Dining Room to stuff pillows for cancer patients at Presbyterian Hospital.

GAMES AND SANDWICHES

Mark your calendar for June 28 when we will gather in Fellowship Hall after worship for games and sandwiches. Sandwich fixings, chips, and cookies will be provided. Please RSVP at the Welcome Desk or at northparkpres.org/fellowship by Wednesday, June 24. Everyone is welcome!

SESSION TO RECEIVE NEW MEMBERS

Interested in becoming a NorthPark member? The session will meet next Sunday, June 7 in the Parlor, 10 minutes after the 10:00 a.m. worship. Seekers, thinkers, doers – all are welcome here! To learn more about NorthPark, contact Cheryl Cunningham (membership@northparkpres.org).

SOULFOOD GREENHOUSE

After a great growing season and feeding many in our community, it's time for the annual greenhouse cleanout. FYI - This volunteer opportunity is physically challenging – cutting down and hauling vines. If you can help on June 27 at 9:00 a.m., sign up at bit.ly/45v6e3u.

STAFF UPDATES

Katy Evans, Anna Hernandez, & Kathryn Qualia are returning today from the All-Church Mission Trip. Rev. Nicole Bates begins her sabbatical tomorrow, June 1, and will return September 1.

LEARN MORE

Find more information (calendar of events, staff contact information) at northparkpres.org.