

Northgate United Methodist Church
May 24, 2020
Order of Worship
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Ascension Sunday, Heritage Sunday, Aldersgate Day

Prelude
Greeting

Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 68:32-35)

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord, Selah

O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens; listen, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; and whose power is in the skies.

Awesome is God in his sanctuary, the God of Israel; he gives power and strength to his people.

Blessed be God! AMEN!

Opening Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, who prayed for your disciples that they might be one, even as you are one with the Father; draw us to yourself, that in common love and obedience to you, we may be united to one another, in the fellowship of the one Spirit, that the world may believe that you are Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
AMEN.

Opening Hymn

Sanctuary

TFWS 2164

**Lord, prepare me
to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy,
tried and true.
With thanksgiving,
I'll be a living
sanctuary for you.**

Community Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Affirmation of Faith

“The Apostles’ Creed”

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

Anthem

Grace Alone

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Sometimes It’s Hard to Do the Right Thing”

Pastor Freddie Orr

Hymn

Surely the Presence of the Lord

UMH 328

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
 I can feel his mighty power and his grace.
 I can hear the brush of angels’ wings,
 I see glory on each face;
 surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

Benediction

Today’s Worship Leaders

Preacher Pastor Freddie Orr
 Liturgist Valerie Orr
 Music Director..... David Forbus
 Accompanist Laura Benton

HOW DO YOU GET TO CHURCH WITH US ON SUNDAYS?

Join our live-streamed worship service starting at 10:45am Sunday.

The service will be presented online on FaceBook live, but you do not have to be a FaceBook user to watch it.

- Go to our website: www.northgateumc.org
- Scroll down to the bottom of the opening page to the lower right hand corner.
- Click on the  button and you'll be connected to the live stream.
- Enjoy this special community experience during worship.
- You may also access the service by using this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/Northgate-United-Methodist-Church-170310129989/>

If you somehow miss the live-stream, you will still be able to access the service through the website later.

HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT NORTHGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH?

You may:

1. **Mail a check** to Northgate United Methodist Church at 3700 W. Northgate Dr., Irving, TX 75062
2. **Drop a check** into the locked mailbox by the East side of the front main entrance double doors. Contents are not accessible without a key, so your donation will be safe. It is checked regularly.
3. **Online** through our conference offices via a link located on our website. Go to www.northgateumc.org; scroll to the bottom of the front/first page of the site; click on the “Donate Here” button and follow the instructions. Please note the complete name of the church: Northgate United Methodist Church.

Thank you for your generosity. We hope to “see” you Sunday morning! Be safe. Be Blessed.



Traditional Worship Service 10:45 am

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