

*Our Mission:
Love God
Love Others
Make Disciples*



*Our Vision:
Be the hands
and feet
of Christ*

**November 15, 2020
Order of Worship
Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

Prelude
Greeting

Call to Worship

Come and find the quiet center
in the crowded life we lead.
**Find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed.**
Clear the chaos and the clutter.
**Clear our eyes that we can see
all the things that really matter.**
Be at peace and simply be. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Lord, we are always seeking guidance for the journey you have placed us on. We would like it if everything was spelled out so that we knew what to expect. But that's not the way life works. You remind us, in the story of the 10 bridesmaids, that we should always be ready to seek you and to serve you. Open our hearts today and remind us of your awesome love for us throughout all the generations, for we ask these things in Jesus' Name. **AMEN.**

Opening Hymn

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

UMH 206, vs. 1 & 2

**I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.**

**In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**

**I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father.**

**In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**

Concerns of the Community

Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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

Come, Thou Almighty King

UMH 61, vs. 1 & 4

**Come, thou almighty King,
help us thy name to sing,
help us to praise!
Father all glorious,
o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!**

**To thee, great One in Three,
eternal praises be,
hence, evermore.
Thy sovereign majesty
may we in glory see,
and to eternity love and adore!**

Young Disciples' Time

Anthem

This Little Light of Mine

Scripture Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Walk in the Light, the Beautiful Light”

Pastor Orr

Benediction

Today's Worship Leaders

PreacherPastor Freddie Orr
Liturgist..... Valerie Orr
Music Director David Forbus
Accompanist..... Laura Benton
A/V Team Cary Marsalis, Jay Marsh

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Traditional Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Live Online

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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/>

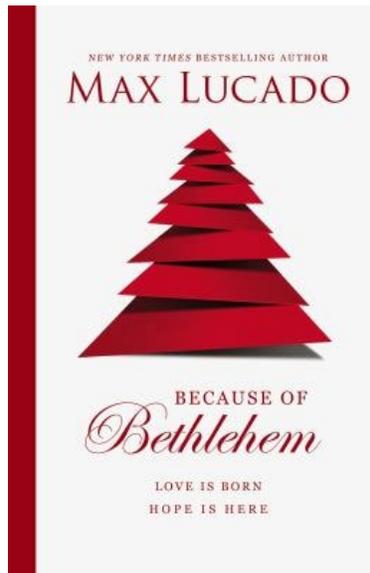
If you somehow miss the live-stream, you will still be able to access the service through the website later.

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.



Pastor Orr will be leading the Advent Study *Because of Bethlehem* by Max Lucado beginning Tuesday, December 1st. A video introduction will be shown during today's service.

BECAUSE OF *Bethlehem*

A REMARKABLE GIFT IN AN UNREMARKABLE PACKAGE
A FOUR-WEEK ADVENT STUDY

A remarkable gift can arrive in an unremarkable package. One did in Bethlehem more than 2000 years ago. No one expected God to come the way he did. Yet the way he came was every bit as important as the coming itself. The manger is the message.

In this four-session video Bible study, Max Lucado explores how the One who made everything chose to make himself nothing for us. He experienced hunger and thirst. He went through the stages of human development. He was taught to walk, stand, and wash his face. He was completely and genuinely human. Because of Bethlehem, we no longer have marks on our record . . . just grace. We have the promise that God is always near us, always for us, always within us . . . and that we have a friend and Savior in heaven. Long after the guests have left, the carolers have gone home, and the lights have come down, these promises endure.

Join us starting December 1st for our journey about A Remarkable Gift. We will meet each Tuesday for the first four weeks of December (1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd) by ZOOM; invitations will be sent out once we have the rosters. Each Tuesday we will meet two times: 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; you can choose to attend either class.

You may **register on the website** or call the church office by Tuesday, November 24th to let us know you will be attending, and which time you'll be joining us. Books can be ordered from Amazon Smile through the website and will be shipped directly to you. If you're taking the class, please order the book quickly so you get it in time. (REMEMBER: If you order from Amazon Smile, Northgate gets a "rebate" for each purchase. Just access the link from our website: www.northgateumc.org)

Look forward to having you join us!
Pastor Orr