

*Our Mission:
Love God
Love Others
Make Disciples*



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

**Northgate United Methodist Church
April 25, 2021
Order of Worship
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Prelude
Greeting

Call to Worship

Come to the shepherd!
Walk in the paths of righteousness.
Come to Jesus Christ, the cornerstone!
Ground your life in Jesus.
Come to the Spirit, who abides in us!
Feast at the table of joy!
God is our shepherd! God cares for us.
Jesus Christ is the cornerstone!
He is the foundation of our lives.
The Spirit abides in us!
And we abide in the Spirit. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Loving Shepherd, you know our names;
you care for us. When we face darkness and death,
walk beside us. When we hunger for your love,
fill us with your presence. When we are fearful,
feed us at your table. May we dwell in the house
of goodness and mercy all the days of our lives. **AMEN.**

Opening Hymn

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

UMH 662, vs. 1 & 5

**Stand up and bless the Lord,
ye people of his choice;
stand up and bless the Lord your God
with heart and soul and voice.**

**Stand up and bless the Lord;
the Lord your God adore;
stand up and bless his glorious name,
henceforth forevermore.**

Concerns of the Community

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.**

Hymn

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

UMH 514, vs. 1 & 4

**Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
ye soldiers of the cross;
lift high his royal banner,
it must not suffer loss.
From victory unto victory
his army shall he lead,**

**till every foe is vanquished,
and Christ is Lord indeed.**

**Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
the strife will not be long;
this day the noise of battle,
the next the victor's song.
To those who vanquish evil
a crown of life shall be;
they with the King of Glory
shall reign eternally.**

Young Disciples' Time

Charlie Walden

Anthem

Standing on the Promises

David Forbus

Scripture

Acts 4:5-12(NRSV)

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

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

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Because of Jesus, I Stand"

Pastor Orr

Hymn of Commitment

It's Me, It's Me, O Lord

UMH 352

**It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.
It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.**

**Not my brother, not my sister,
but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.**

**Not my brother, not my sister,
but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.**

It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

**Not the preacher, not the deacon,
but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.**

**Not the preacher, not the deacon,
but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.**

It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

**Not my father, not my mother,
but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.**

**Not my father, not my mother,
but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.**

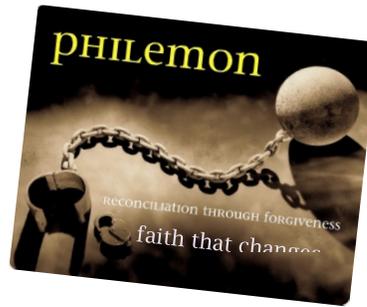
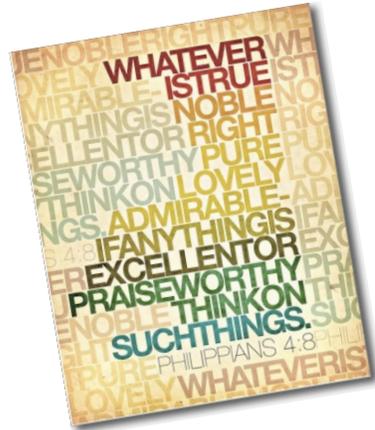
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Benediction

Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher Pastor Freddie Orr
Liturgist Gail Blythe
Music Director..... David Forbus
Accompanist Laura Benton
A/V Crew..... Cary Marsalis, Jay Marsh



New Bible Study Begins Monday, April 19

Philippians and Philemon, a new 5-week online study, begins Monday, April 19. Paul wrote both of these short letters from prison, probably in Ephesus. In this five-week study, we will read and discuss both of these letters, Paul's situation, issues facing the Christian community, and basic Pauline doctrines found in these letters - e.g. "righteousness, which comes not from the Law, but from the faithfulness of Christ."

Videos will be posted to the website each Tuesday, and there will be a ZOOM discussion (generally) the following Monday at 6:30pm. The second video session will be available on the website (www.northgateumc.org) on **Tuesday, April 20**, followed by the **Zoom discussion** session at **6:30 pm on Tuesday, April 27th**. **Please note: this week's ZOOM call has been moved to Tuesday because of a conflict with Church Council.**

You may click on this YouTube link for more information: <https://youtu.be/Xgbs4qQCw80>

To join the ZOOM discussion, or for additional questions, please send an email to: online.classes@northgateumc.org.



MOTHER'S DAY – May 9, 2021

Our tradition of honoring and remembering those women who have been influential in our lives continues. If you would like to honor or remember a special person with a donation to Northgate UMC, you may mail your donation to the church or drop it in the offering box on any Sunday. Please add a notation in the memo line of your check that it is for Mother's Day. Also, please include the name or names of those you wish to honor or remember.

You may make your donation using the Online Donation button at the bottom of our home page. Send the information on the person you'd like to recognize to the church office by mail or email (office@northgateumc.org).

DEADLINE for submitting information is Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

Find more information on the church website. (www.northgateumc.org)