

*Our Mission:  
Love God  
Love Others  
Make Disciples*



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

**Northgate United Methodist Church  
September 26, 2021  
Order of Worship  
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
9-week Series on "The Fruit of the Spirit"  
Week Five: "KINDNESS"**

Prelude  
Greeting

NOTE: † Congregation, please stand as you are able.

**Bold: Congregation, please respond together.**

†Call to Worship

Jesus calls us to servant ministry.

**We must be willing to help others, not counting the cost or rewards.**

Pretense, disharmony, and greed have no place in discipleship.

**Serving God means receiving each person as though they were a beloved child.**

Lord, help us to truly become your disciples.

**Create in us hearts for ministries of compassion and kindness.**

†Opening Prayer

God of grace, we have come for a glimpse of your kingdom of kindness, a world where love rules over all, a world where enemies embrace, a world where the distinctions between friend and foe evaporate in the light of your love. Knowing you have the power to transform us, we give our lives over to you, body, soul, mind, spirit. In Jesus' name we pray. **AMEN.**

†Opening Hymn

*Jesus, Name above All Names*

TFWS 2071 (2X)

**Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.**

**Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word.**

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, for ever. AMEN.**

‡Hymn

*The Lily of the Valley*

TFWS 2062

**I have found a friend in Jesus, he's everything to me,  
he's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul;  
the Lily of the Valley, in him alone I see  
all I need to cleanse and make me fully whole.  
In sorrow he's my comfort, in trouble he's my stay,  
he tells me every care on him to roll.**

**He's the Lily of the Valley, the bright and Morning Star,  
he's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.**

**He all my grief has taken, and all my sorrows borne;  
in temptation he's my strong and mighty tower;  
I have all for him forsaken, and all my idols torn  
from my heart, and now he keeps me by his power.  
Though all the world forsake me, and Satan tempts me sore,  
through Jesus I shall safely reach the goal.**

**He's the Lily of the Valley, the bright and Morning Star,  
he's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.**

**He will never, never leave me, nor yet forsake me here,  
while I live by faith and do his blessed will;  
a wall of fire about me, I've nothing now to fear,  
with his manna he my hungry soul shall fill.  
Then sweeping up to glory, to see his blessed face,  
where rivers of delight shall ever roll.**

**He's the Lily of the Valley, the bright and Morning Star,  
he's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.**

**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.**

Young Disciples’ Time

Charlie Walden

Anthem

*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

David Forbus

‡Scripture

2 Samuel 9:1-7

David asked, “Is there still anyone left of the house of Saul to whom I may show kindness for Jonathan’s sake?” Now there was a servant of the house of Saul whose name was Ziba, and he was summoned to David. The king said to him, “Are you Ziba?” And he said, “At your service!” The king said, “Is there anyone remaining of the house of Saul to whom I may show the kindness of God?” Ziba said to the king, “There remains a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in his feet.” The king said to him, “Where is he?” Ziba said to the king, “He is in the house of Machir son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar.” Then King David sent and brought him from the house of Machir son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar. Mephibosheth son of Jonathan son of Saul came to David, and fell on his face and did obeisance. David said, “Mephibosheth!” He answered, “I am your servant.” David said to him, “Do not be afraid, for I will show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan; I will restore to you all the land of your grandfather Saul, and you yourself shall eat at my table always.”

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

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“KINDNESS”

Pastor Jennifer

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

‡ Closing Hymn

*Where the Spirit of the Lord Is*

TFWS 2119 (2X)

**Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is peace;  
where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is love.  
There is comfort in life’s darkest hour; there is light and life,  
there is help and power in the Spirit, in the Spirit of the Lord.**

‡ Benediction

‡ Choral Response

*God Be with You*

**God be with you, God be with you,  
God be with you till we meet again,  
O, God be with you, God be with you,  
God be with you till we meet again.**

Today’s Worship Leaders

Preacher.....Pastor Jennifer Kilpatrick  
Liturgist ..... Gail Blythe  
Music Director ..... David Forbus  
Accompanist.....Laura Benton  
A/V Team .....Cary Marsalis, Jay Marsh



***Traditional Worship Service in-person or online at 10:45 a.m.***

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***Nine-week Sermon Series: "The Fruit of the Spirit"***

*Week 1 – August 29 "Love" (Galatians 5:22-23; Romans 12:9-13)*

*Week 2 – September 5 "Joy" (Luke 1:39-45)*

*Week 3 – September 12 "Peace" (John 14:25-31)*

*Week 4 – September 19 "Patience" (Job 6:1-13)*

*Week 5 – September 26 "Kindness" (2 Samuel 9:1-7)*

*Week 6 – October 3 "Generosity"*

*Week 7 – October 10 "Faithfulness"*

*Week 8 – October 17 "Gentleness"*

*Week 9 – October 24 "Self-Control"*