NORTH CHEVY CHASE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)
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Sunday Worship

November 8th, 2026

11:00 a.m.

North Chevy Chase Christian Church is an Open and Affirming Congregation
Connecting Faith with Community.[1]

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The People of God Gather

If you're new to North Chevy Chase Christian Church, please consider filling out the Feedback Card you will find in the Pew pocket. We'll follow up with a brief phone call or email to say thank you for worshipping with us and to answer any question you may have. We are glad you're here with us today!

WELCOME Rev. Stephen Tickner

Preparation for Worship Glenn Pearson, Pianist/Organist

Congregation standing in body or spirit

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer[2]

(inspired by Psalm 78) Charlene Smith, Worship Leader

One: Set your hope in God, who is worthy of our trust.

ALL: We remember the glorious deeds of the Holy One.

One: Set your hope in God, who orders our days and redeems our lives.

ALL: We rejoice in the wonders the Holy One has done.

One: Set your hope in God, who leads us.

[2] Call to Worship and Opening Prayer provided by "Worship Way" of the United Church of Christ, www.ucc.org/worship-way

ALL: We recommit to the ways of the Holy One. Our hope is in God!

One: Now with our hearts open to God, let us pray...

OPENING HYMN "Nearer My God to Thee" CH 577
verses 1-3

LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP



PASSING OF THE PEACE

PASTORAL PRAYER & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.

Proclaim

A READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE Amos 5:18-24

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord!
Why do you want the day of the Lord?
It is darkness, not light,
19 as if someone fled from a lion
and was met by a bear
or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall
and was bitten by a snake.
20 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?

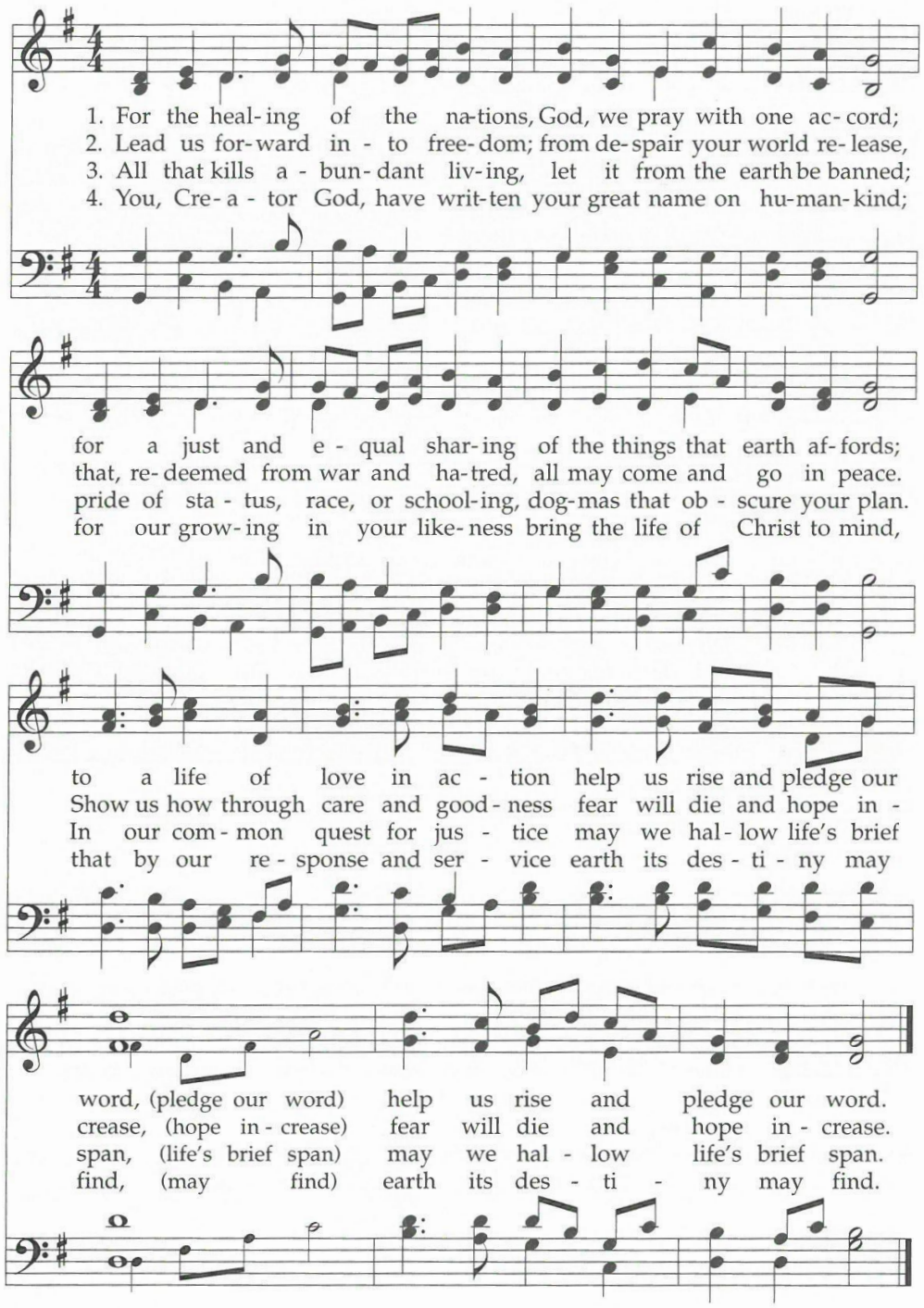
21 I hate, I despise your festivals,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and
grain offerings,
I will not accept them,
and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals
I will not look upon.
23 Take away from me the noise of your songs;
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.
24 But let justice roll down like water
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

MESSAGE Rev. Stephen Tickner

HYMN "For the Healing of the Nations" CH 668

For the Healing of the Nations 668



WORDS: Fred Kaan, 1965
MUSIC: John Hughes, 1907

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We Give and Receive

Communion is the central act of community within the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in remembrance of the life, death and resurrection of Christ. The invitation to the Table is extended to all who wish to follow Jesus and to share in the community of God's people.
Everyone is invited to eat from this Table.

THE INVITATION TO GIVE AND RECEIVE

PRAYER BY THE ELDER Cheryl Parsons

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMING FORWARD TO GIVE, AND TO RECEIVE THE BREAD AND THE CUP

We come forward to bring our physical bodies and our financial gifts to God. You are invited to come forward down the center aisle to place your tithes & offerings in the trays available; and to receive the elements of bread and cup, taking them and returning to your seats down the side aisle, to consume the elements in silent reflection.

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

…And Go Forth to Serve

SHARING OF JOYS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation standing

CLOSING HYMN "O Lord, May Church and Home Combine"



O Lord, May Church and Home Combine 695

1. O Lord, may church and home com - bine to
teach thy per - fect way, with gen - tle - ness and
love like thine, that none shall ev - er stray.

2. Let all un - wor - thy aims de - part, im -
bue us with thy grace; with - in the home let
ev - ery heart be - come thy dwell - ing place.

3. Shine, Light di - vine; re - veal thy face where
dark - ness else might be. Grant, Love di - vine, in
ev - ery place glad fel - low - ship with thee.

4. May stead - fast faith and ear - nest prayer keep
sa - cred vows se - cure; build thou a hal - lowed
dwell - ing where true joy and peace en - dure.

WORDS: Carlton C. Buck, 1961
MUSIC: USA folk melody; arr. by Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1988

LAND OF REST
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Glenn Pearson, Pianist/Organist

Please be seated and allow the music to offer a moment of reflection as you prepare to exit the Sanctuary.

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Please join us for coffee hour in Harlow Hall following the conclusion of the Postlude

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SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Stephen Tickner, Minister
Glenn Pearson, Pianist/Organist
Charlene Smith, Worship Leader
Cheryl Parson, Elder at the Table
A/V Team - Yvonne McGee, Lydia Oladapo, Devi Rambarran

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Please set all pagers and cell phones to vibrate at this time.
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Acknowledgment of Native Americans: A Statement toward Reconciliation

For thousands of years indigenous people have walked in this land, on their own country. Their relationship with the land is at the center of their lives. We gratefully acknowledge them, past and present, and their stewardship of this land on which we stand.