

Traditional Service

11:00 am

Prelude

Trumpet Tune
(Composer: Frederick Swann)

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?”
Here we are, Send us.
We come to worship God who calls, the Spirit who equips, and the Savior who sends.
Let us worship God.

Hymn #246

God Is Here

Responsive Reading

Psalm 8

O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.
When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
What are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?
Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and
crowned them with glory and honor.
You have given them dominion over the works of your
hands; you have put all things under their feet,
Leader: All sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
The birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever
passes along the paths of the seas.
All: Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Almighty God, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have not loved you with our whole heart. You call us to join you in your mission in everyday life, but we have not listened or obeyed. You send your Spirit, yet we harden our hearts. Instead of trusting the bridge you built through Christ’s death on the cross, we try to build our own. Forgive us, Lord, for going our own way. Renew us by your grace, that we may embody and extend the life and ministry of Jesus in our everyday lives.
(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)
In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News:
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Response

Glory be to the Father #961

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be
World without end. Amen, Amen.

Passing the Peace

Joining God’s Mission

Fall Dinner Series:
Sharing Jesus in Everyday Life

Hymn #142

We Are People on a Journey

Scripture Readings

Genesis 1:26-28 & John 20:21-22

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Sent from the Start
Sent: Joining God’s Mission in Everyday Life

Musical Reflection

How Can I Keep From Singing?
(Composer: Lowry/Bullard)

Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Communion: Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and was born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living 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

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion Music

Now the Silence
(Composer: Schalk/Mitchell-Wallace)

Hymn #854

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me
(verses 1-4)

Benediction

Postlude

How Firm a Foundation
(Composer: Marianne Kim)

Worship Participants	
Welcome & Sermon	Rev. Spencer Lundgaard
Announcements & Liturgy	Greg Buell
Contemporary Worship Leader	Luke Stoner
Praise Music	Village Church Worship Band
Scripture Reader	Sherry Maloney (9:30)
	Ron Mantegna (11:00)
Organist	Sharon Peterson (11:00)
Soloist & Song Leader	Joe Cloonan
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Contemporary Service

Welcome and Call to Worship

9:30 am

Praise and Prayer

Take You At Your Word

Only Ever Good

Prayer of Confession

Goodness of God

Passing the Peace

Announcements

(Offerings are received weekly via mail and online giving at <https://villagechurchnorthbrook.org/give/> . Those attending live worship can leave their donations in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary.)

Joining God’s Mission

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Sharing Jesus in Everyday Life

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

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Apostles’ Creed
Prayers of the People
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Closing Song

Remembrance

Blessing

Questions for Discussion

Read: Genesis 1:26-28 & John 20:21-22

1. Why did God create humanity? (Gen. 1:26)
2. What does it mean to be created in God’s image? What is the significance of both male and female being made in God’s image? (Gen. 1:26, 27)
3. What are the key points of God’s blessing on humanity, and what does this say about our purpose on earth?
4. How does sin in our lives keep us from fulfilling our purpose?
5. For most of this year, we went through a series on the Gospel of Luke. What was the title of that series and what does it say about the Mission of God? Why did God send Jesus into the world? (see Luke 19:10)
6. What remarkable thing does Jesus say to his followers with regard to joining in God’s mission? (John 20:21)
7. What does it mean to be sent ? Where is Christ sending us?
8. Why is the work of the Holy Spirit important in fulfilling our mission and purpose in life? (John 20:22)

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Worship
Vision Sunday
September 7, 2025



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