

# Contemporary Service

9:30 am

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

There's Nothing That Our God Can't Do

Goodness of God

Prayer of Confession

His Mercy is More

Passing the Peace

Announcements

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

Scripture Reading Revelation 1:1-20

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Behold, The Revelation of Jesus Christ

First in the series, "Dear Church, Seven Messages for Today"

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song Living Hope

Blessing



## Program Staff

Spencer Lundgaard, Senior Pastor  
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Jesse Borower, Director of Music (Traditional)



January 29, 2023

# Traditional Service

11:00 am

**Prelude**      **Christians, We Have Met to Worship**  
(Composer: Joel Raney)

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

**Opening Hymn**      **O Worship the King**      #2  
(Verses 1-5)

**Responsive Reading**      **Psalm 121**

I lift up my eyes to the hills—  
from where will my help come?  
**My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.**  
He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.  
**He who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.**  
The LORD is your keeper;  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand.  
**The sun will not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.**  
The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.  
**The LORD will keep your going out  
and your coming in  
from this time on and forevermore.**

**Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Lord God, we confess that we find faith difficult in times of testing. Because of your many blessings in our lives, we are not as familiar with sickness, failures, persecution, and suffering. We wonder if you have abandoned us when they come into our lives. Forgive us, Lord Jesus, for our lack of memory of your death on the Cross and the suffering you endured. Forgive us for not remembering the Cross you ask us to bear as we follow you in our discipleship. Help us to believe and trust you in times of stress and strain. Help remind us of the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives to take on the burdens that come our way. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

*(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)*

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

Leader: 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**

**Anthem**      **Hush! Somebody's Callin' My Name**  
(arr. Brazeal W. Dennard)

**Scripture Reading**      **Revelation 1:1-20**  
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;  
**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**      **Behold, The Revelation of Jesus Christ**  
First in the series, "Dear Church, Seven Messages for Today"

**Musical Offering**      **Teach Me, O Lord**  
(Composer: Thomas Attwood)

**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.

**Prayers of the People & 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 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.

**Closing Hymn**      **Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers**      #477

**Benediction**

**Postlude**      **Tone Piece, Op. 22 #3**  
(Composer: Niels Gade)

## Worship Participants

Sermon  
Worship Leader  
Liturgist  
Scripture Reader

Prayers of the People

Director of Music (Traditional)  
Organist  
Soprano  
Alto  
Tenor  
Bass  
Anthem

Spencer Lundgaard  
Luke Stoner (9:30)  
Todd Luke (11:00)  
Sherry Maloney (9:30)  
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Greg Buell (9:30)  
Todd Luke (11:00)  
Jesse Borower (11:00)  
Sharon Peterson (11:00)  
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Village Church Choir

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