

The gathering music calls us to quiet our hearts and minds in preparation for worship.

Please sign the friendship pad so we may take note of your presence and greet you by name.

**** S! - designates the new Sing! hymnal****

Bold text is read or sung by the congregation.

* Indicates an invitation to rise in body or in Spirit.

Confession is our opportunity to be honest with God and ourselves, so that our relationship may be repaired and our hearts reconciled.

God’s response to our confession is an outpouring of grace. By grace we have been saved through faith, not by our own efforts. By grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, according to scripture alone, for God’s glory alone.

The Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient practices of worship. Having received Christ’s peace, we pass it on.

We believe children learn to worship by being in worship, so all children are welcome in all corporate worship at NPC.

A nursery is provided for infants.

GATHERING MUSIC	Sheryl Dinklage
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rev. Dana Boes Pope
MINUTE FOR MISSION	Ann Strautman
CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP S! 326	“Our God Will Go Before Us”
CALL TO WORSHIP - Liturgist	David Pinner
We live in a world that entices us with influence, power, and accolades. We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call. Sometimes we find ourselves wishing for heaven without working to bring heaven to earth. We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call to live righteously here and now. Other times, we find ourselves exhausted by working for the gospel, wondering if anything we do is making a difference. We remind one another to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call, leaning on Christ as the source of our perseverance and hope. Beloved, God calls us not to escape this world but to build the Kingdom of God in this place and in this time. We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call to embody God’s mercy and justice as we build God’s Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Come, let us worship God!	
OPENING PRAYER	David
*HYMN S! 157	“By Faith”
CALL TO CONFESSION	David
PRAYER OF CONFESSION	David
Loving God, present and near, You are beyond our words and our understanding. Help us to remember that You are at once infinite, boundless, timeless, and eternal, but, at the same time, intimately entwined with our lives. You are with us no matter where we find ourselves. When we have forgotten You, when we have failed to speak words of love, when we have neglected the needs of others, Lord, forgive us. Help us to recognize Your presence and nearness with us as we worship You. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. <i>Time of silent confession.</i>	
ASSURANCE OF PARDON	Pastor Dana
*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST	Pastor Dana
“They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love” (Musical Cue to Return to Your Seats)	
SCRIPTURE READING	David
Psalm 67	
SONG OF PRAISE #2233	“Where Children Belong”
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES	Jay Young
(This will be shared on social media)	

SPECIAL MUSIC	“In Remembrance”
PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION	Pastor Dana
*SCRIPTURE READING	Pastor Dana
Philippians 3:4b-14	
SERMON	Pastor Dana
*DECLARATION OF FAITH	Pastor Dana
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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; 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	Pastor Dana
THE LORD’S PRAYER	Pastor Dana
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.	
*HYMN S! 311	“Break Thou the Bread of Life”
HOLY COMMUNION	Pastor Dana
Pastors chosen liturgy..... Hymn #2007 <i>Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!</i> <i>My heart knows how to say to you: You are holy, Lord!</i> <i>Santo, santo, santo, mi corazon te adora!</i> <i>Mi corazon te sabe decir: Santo eres Dios</i>	
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING	David
OFFERTORY	
*DOXOLOGY	Sheryl Dinklage
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION	Pastor Dana
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION	Pastor Dana
*CLOSING SONG #2036	“Give Thanks”
*POSTLUDE	Sheryl Dinklage

Reformed worship is centered around the Word, both the Word of scripture and Christ as the Word Incarnate. In worship we gather around the Word, and respond to the Word.

The Apostle’s Creed is one of the greatest statements of faith of the ancient Christian church. The creed, although not written by the apostles, summarizes the apostles’ preachings and teachings concerning the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The ministry of prayer is part of the baptismal calling of every believer. We pray for the world because God so loves it. We pray for the church because it is Christ’s body, living and working in the world, and we pray for others as God commanded us to love and care for our neighbors.

Jesus taught His disciples to pray in Matthew 6:9-13

The 100-Day Prayer Campaign is a focused time of corporate prayer through prayer triads (groups of 3) and individual devotion and prayer time. We commit to pray, fast, and seek God’s will for NPC. This is an act of worship, surrender, and holy expectation to His vision for us.

Communion is a distinctive rite of Christian worship, instituted by Jesus Christ upon the eve of His atoning death. The bread is a symbol for Jesus’ body broken for us and the wine is a symbol for His blood shed for the forgiveness of our sins. The liturgical color for communion is white. This symbolizes purity and signifies the sacred nature of the event.

World Communion Sunday is celebrated by Christians around the world on the first Sunday in October. It is a day when churches of many traditions and nations gather around the Lord’s Table to remember that, despite our differences, we are one body in Christ.

Stewardship is an essential part of Christian life. How we spend and share our money and our time, and use and bless others with our energy and talents is directed by our Christian values.

Our worship does not end with the postlude, but continues as we go out into the world, where we are sent to love and care for God’s people as we share the gospel message.

(Lyrics on Back)

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2026: A Year of Light



WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
OCTOBER 4, 2026
19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Prayer List

Members:

Cindi & Jack King	Karen Currie
Marion Barth	Bill & Louise Bischoff
Robin Atiyeh	Dana Boes Pope
Hugo Salazar	Charlie & Lora Havrda
Guy Greene	Nancy & Michael Moore
Margie Brown	Susan Cloud
Shannon Lewis	Brenda Pinner
John Salazar	Dickey May & Yvonne May
Dana & Eddie Pope	

Friends:

Zach McManus - ALS
Gretchen Lewis (Shannon Lewis' daughter-in-law)
Letha Adams (Suzanne's Mom)
Rebecca Jackson (Continued Treatment at MD Anderson)
Patricia Pope
Jackson (Grandson of a friend - Cancer)
Steve Kline (Jay's Cousin - ALS Diagnosis)
Ken & Carol Polsz
Betty Fiorillo (Camille's Sister-in-Law)

Weekly Calendar

Check out npcsatx.org for full calendar of events

Sunday, Oct 4 – 19th Sunday After Pentecost

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

MINUTE FOR MISSION - COLOMBIA OFFERING

9:00 A.M. - Sunday School
10:30 A.M. - Worship Service
11:45 A.M. - Fellowship Hour/October Birthday Cake
12:00 P.M. - Financial Stewardship Lunch Seminar

Monday, Oct 5

10:00 A.M. - *Monday Morning Group* on Zoom
1:00 P.M. - Handbell Practice
6:30 P.M. - *NPC Moveable Feast* - Texas Star Inn

Tuesday, Oct 6

10:00 - 2:00 P.M. - WorldSchool SA Homeschool Group
6:30 P.M. - Line Dancing Class

Wednesday, Oct 7

5:00 P.M. - Isaiah Video Bible Study - Classroom #1
6:30 P.M. - Choir Practice
Youth Bible Study

Thursday, Oct 8

10:00 - 2:00 P.M. - WorldSchool SA Homeschool Group
6:30 P.M. - Northminstrels Practice

Friday, Oct 9

12:00 P.M. - *Naomi's Sisters* - Location TBD

Sunday, Oct 11 - 20th Sunday After Pentecost

PULPIT SUPPLY - KAREN ARMSTRONG

HOLY SMOKE FUNDRAISER AT COVENANT PRES

9:00 A.M. - Sunday School
10:30 A.M. - Worship Service

Lectionary for 10/04/2026

19th Sunday After Pentecost

Exodus 20:1-7, 7-9, 12-20

Psalm 19

Philippians 3:4b-14

Matthew 21:33-46

This Week's Participants

Greeters: Vidal & Miriam Rodriguez
Ushers: Dennis & Marilyn Gurtner
Liturgist: David Pinner
Elders on Duty: Marsha Schendel and Jay Young

"Give Thanks"

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Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son

And not let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of What the Lord has done for us

Give thanks!



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