

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



As a Congregational church, Meadowbrook traces its roots to the Pilgrims. We continue to explore our faith as a people free to interpret God's Word according to the dictates of our own conscience and in mutual support and love of one another. Not bound by any one creed or statement of faith, Congregationalists are gathered around a local church covenant in which we promise to serve alongside one another as followers of Jesus Christ.

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October 26, 2025

"Be still and know I am God"
Psalm 46: 10a

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. by Robert Lau Dave Howland

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Chris Richards

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of the Lord be with you.
Congregation: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

CHORAL INTROIT
God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

**Stand in body or spirit*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** John Webster

Leader: God of ancient times, who whispered in the ears of the people and said: "come and follow me!" Today, we are here to praise you!
Congregation: **God of the present time, who shares such wonder and creative power: We are here to thank you!**

Leader: God of the future, who builds a new world into being in Christ Jesus: We are here because we trust you!
All: **God of life, we are here to lift our voices in gratitude and praise, come let us worship together.**

***GATHERING HYMN** "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" # 382

***INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER** John Webster

Eternal Lord, walk amid our days, reminding us of your son who leaned always into your will. Help us accept the life you give. Help us to let go of all that we accumulate which overshadows the good news of your creative hand. May we receive in joy the One who bids us to pray simply:

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.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** "As We Gather" #549

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE Rev. Chris Richards

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 100 | Page #552 OT John Webster

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" arr. by Richard Shephard Sanctuary Choir

A TIME OF SILENCE & MORNING PRAYER Rev. Chris Richards

CHORAL AMEN

OFFERTORY "Vallée d'Obermann" (excerpt) by Franz Liszt Dave Howland

***DOXOLOGY** (sing in unison) #563
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavn'ly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

SERMON SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 46: 1-11 | Page #517 Rev. Chris Richards

CHORAL RESPONSE
Let the words of my mouth, and my heart's meditation be acceptable to you, O God.

MESSAGE "A Reforming Imagination" Rev. Chris Richards

***SENDING HYMN** "For Years to Come" #273

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Chris Richards

POSTLUDE "Toccata in D Minor" by J.S. Bach Dave Howland

*The flowers gracing the Meeting House this morning are given by:
Jody and Dave Scheller in loving memory of their daughter Sarah Elizabeth DiPasquale
and in honor of her son Dominic's 7th birthday.*

MUSICIANS: Dave Howland, Danny Reeves and Sanctuary Choir
TECHNICIAN: Moe Elmasry | **GREETERS:** Rich & Betsy Mazurkiewicz | **LITURGIST:** John Webster

Please join us in Fellowship Hall immediately following worship for a forum to discuss a preliminary 2026 budget. A light lunch will be served. All members and friends are welcome.