



About the Cover: This Sunday's cover features a Tree of Life adorned in fall colors, symbolizing both the beauty and transience of life's seasons. In honor of Remembrance Sunday, the names of five beloved members of North Goshen who have passed away this past year are nestled within the branches.

May this image serve as a reminder of our deep connections and the lasting impact of their lives in our community.

We invite other artists of all ages in the congregation to share their creativity! If you're inspired to contribute your own artwork for future bulletin covers, please reach out to Becky or Belen. Let's continue to celebrate hope through art!

Attendance: October 27 — 53

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Remembrance Sunday invites us to gather as a community, honoring and celebrating the lives of those who have gone before us, holding their memories close and lifting them up in the light of God's love.

Gathering Song

Erica U. & Todd H.

Tú estás aquí

VT 067

Welcome & Announcements

Becky H.

Call to Worship

Songs of Remembrance and Hope

Lead Me, Guide Me

VT 601

When Peace Like a River

VT 617

Celebration of Reyna Paz Perez's Life

All are invited to share memories, honoring her spirit and the love she brought to those around her.

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:38-39

Reflection *In the Shelter of Memory*

Becky H.

Time of Remembrance

You are invited to come forward to light a candle, write a name on the slip of paper in your bulletin, or quietly hold in your heart those you wish to remember on this day.

Song of Comfort

Nothing Is Lost on the Breath of God

VT 653

Offering *O Healing River*

VT 706

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Blessing & Song *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* VT 297

Today:

9:00 AM Sunday School

9:45 AM Koinonia Kafé

10:15 Worship

Today's Volunteers:

Children's Church: Daisy G.L., Bonnie C., & Jenny G.

Nursery: Deena B., Alan L., Kristina B.M.

Music Team: Erica U. Todd H., Erika B., Josh H.

Translator: Erin Be-Mo

This Week

Tue., 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study @ Greencroft

Wed., 6:30 PM Youth Group @ Erin's

Wed., 6:30 PM Bilingual Group @ Martin's

Next Sunday:

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:4-7

Theme: *Gathering the Harvest: Celebrating Our Gifts*

Worship Leader: Deena B. Song Leader: Todd H.

Children's Church: Joan U., Bonnie C., & Kristina B.M.

Nursery: Belen R., Jeff U., & Jenny G.

Upcoming Events

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