

# The Covenant (Gen 12:1-3, 7)

- “I will make you a great nation” (12:2)
- “I will make your name great” (12:2)
- “I will Bless those who bless you” (12:3)
- “I will curse those who curse you” (12:3)
- “I will (thru you) Bless all the families of the earth” (3)
- “I will give this land to your descendants” (12:7)
- Your Descendants shall be as the stars (15:5)
- “To your Descendants I’ll give this land (15:18)
- Gen 17:1-11 – Repeats the Promises (Circumcision)

**“ABRAHAM:  
Faith  
that Follows  
God’s Call”**



## *Welcome to the North Benton Presbyterian Church*

19070 North Benton West Road

North Benton, OH 44449

**October 18, 2026**

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**Members of the Church, ministers**

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*“Since 1818, A church where everyone is someone  
and Jesus Christ is Lord!”*

# North Benton Presbyterian Church

October 18, 2026 AD Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Sentences of Scripture: "Everything is possible for those who believe."

-Mark 9: 23b



## PRELUDE

## CHURCH LIFE

## GREETINGS AND WELCOME

## CALL TO JOIN IN WORSHIP

**Pastor:** God called Abraham to leave what was familiar and journey toward a promise not yet seen.

**People:** **By faith, Abraham went, trusting the One who called him.**

**Pastor:** Abraham believed God, and his faith was counted as righteousness.

**People:** **Strengthen our faith, O Lord, that we may trust Your word and follow where You lead.**

**Pastor:** God promised Abraham a future filled with blessing.

**People:** **We trust the God Whose promises endure from generation to generation.**

**Pastor:** Even when the way was uncertain, Abraham gave glory to God.

**All:** **We will trust the Lord, follow in faith, and worship the God Whose promises never fail. Let us join in the worship of God to the glory of God!**

## INVOCATION

## +PRAISE SONGS

**"Holy, Holy"**  
**"In His Time"**

## Please Pray For:

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## Sermon Notes:

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## ***This Week***

## ***Caring, Sharing, Praying***

**Sun  
10/18**

9:30 Worship Service  
(Youth Sunday School  
after children's message)  
10:45 Searcher's Class  
**Chili & Soup Luncheon**

**Sun**

**10/25** 9:30 Worship Service  
(Youth Sunday School  
after children's message)  
10:45 Searcher's Class

### **Nursing Home:**

Dan Rowe  
Essex #1, Salem, OH 44460  
(Rm.#201)

### **Continued Prayer for:**

Denton Herron  
James Hilles  
Stan & Sandy Jozwiakowski  
Maeo Bates  
Carol Schiffler  
Chris & Alicia Gamble

***Contact the office to add or  
remove a name***



We are taking donations of candy  
for the annual "Trunk or Treat"  
event. Please leave your  
donations in the narthex.

### **Thank You**

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|-----------------------|----------------|
| Deacon Greeters ----- | Karen Fay      |
| -----                 | Barb Franklin  |
| Keyboard -----        | Marilyn Smith  |
| Praise Songs-----     | Sylvia Hammond |
| Sound System -----    | Dale Fay       |
| Acolyte -----         | Addie Pierce   |

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (Sunday School to Follow)**

### **"Abram-Abraham"**

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Pastor: Brothers and sisters, Abraham believed the promise of God, and his faith was counted to him as righteousness. Yet we often trust what we can see, rely on our own strength, and doubt that God will keep His word. Let us confess our unbelief and self-reliance, trusting the God who justifies the ungodly and is faithful to forgive.

### **SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Pastor: Hear the good news: the promise rests on grace and is received by faith. The God in whom Abraham trusted—the God Who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist—has raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. Christ was delivered up for our sins and raised for our justification. All who trust in Him are forgiven and counted righteous.

**All: Praise be to God! Let us live as forgiven people!**

### **+GLORIA PATRI**

### **PRESENTATION OF GIFTS, TITHES, & OFFERINGS**

### **OFFERTORY SCRIPTURE**

Pastor: **"Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it?" -Luke 14: 20**

## **DOXOLOGY**

## **PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISES**

## **PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER**

**+Hymn #6        "This is My Father's World"**

## **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**All: Faithful God, as You called Abraham to journey by faith, call us now to open our hearts to Your Word. By Your Holy Spirit, give us ears to hear Your promises, courage to trust where You lead, and grace to obey even when the way ahead is not clear. Through these Scriptures, deepen our faith and make us a blessing to others, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**SCRIPTURE    "Hebrews 11: 8-12 and Genesis 12: 1-4a"**

**SERMON        "Abraham: Faith That Follows God's Call"**

**Hymn #96    (Verses 1-2)    "I Know Who Holds Tomorrow"**

## **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**+RECESSIONAL HYMN #96 (verse 3)**

**"I Know Who Holds Tomorrow"**

## **POSTLUDE**

## **NEXT WEEK'S SERMON:**

**"Sarah: Faith That Trusts God's Promise" based on Hebrews 11: 11-12, Genesis 18: 9-15 and Genesis 21: 1-7.**

*+ Indicates congregation is invited to stand*

## **Praise Songs**

### **"Holy, Holy"**

Holy, holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy,  
Lord God Almighty;  
And we lift our hearts before You  
As a token of our love, Holy, holy,  
Holy, holy.

Gracious Father, gracious Father,  
We're so blest to be Your children, gracious Father;  
and we lift our heads before You  
as a token of our love,  
Gracious Father, gracious Father.  
Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit,  
Come and fill our hearts anew, Holy Spirit;  
and we lift our voice before You  
as a token of our love,  
Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit.

### **"In His Time"**

In His time, in His time;  
He makes all things beautiful in His time.  
Lord, please show me every day  
as You're teaching me Your way,  
That You do just what You say in Your time.  
In Your time, In Your time;  
You make all things beautiful in Your time.  
Lord, my life to You I bring;  
May each song I have to sing  
Be to You a lovely thing in Your time.



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