



NESHAMINY-WARWICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 23, 2022

WELCOME

HYMN NO. 551

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

Come, ye thankful people, come, Raise the song of harvest home;
All is safely gathered in, Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide For our wants to be supplied;
Come to God’s own temple, come, Raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God’s own field, Fruit unto God's praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown, Unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade, and then the ear, Then the full corn shall appear:
Lord of harvest, grant that we Wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come, And shall take the harvest home;
From each field shall in that day All offenses purge away;
Give the angels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store In God's garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come To Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou Thy people in, Free from sorrow, free from sin;
There forever purified, In Thy presence to abide:
Come, with all Thine angels come, Raise the glorious harvest home.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;

People: you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

Leader: By your strength you established the mountains;

People: you are girded with might.

Leader: You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the Peoples.

People: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

WORSHIP SONG

“Everything Glorious”

The day is brighter here with You
The night is lighter when I'm with you
Would lead me to believe
Which leads me to believe

*You make everything glorious
You make everything glorious
You make everything glorious
And I am Yours
What does that make me?*

My eyes are small but they have seen
the beauty of enormous things
which leads me to believe
there's light enough to see that

*You make everything glorious
You make everything glorious
You make everything glorious
and I am Yours (2x)*

(Worship Team)

*You make everything glorious
You make everything glorious
You make everything glorious
and I am Yours (2x)
What does that make me?*

(You may be seated)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Righteous and gracious Lord, you reveal to us the way of goodness and life. Teach us humility that we may trust in your power, and not our own, and make us ever grateful; in Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

WORSHIP SONG

“Create In Me a Clean Heart”
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me. (2x)
Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation,
and renew a right spirit within me.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGERS

“Let Everybody Praise the Lord”
*(All children will now be dismissed to their Sunday School teacher,
or if you prefer they may return to their seats with you.)*

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Hymn of Devotion”

*Guest Cellist, Walt Fisher

Where you go I will go; where you stay, there I will stay.
Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God!

Where you go (Where you go) I will go (I will go);
where you stay (Where you stay), there I will stay (I will stay).
Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God!

Where you go there I will go; where you stay, there I will surely stay.
Where you die, there I will surely die; where you lie, there I will lie.

Where you go I will go; where you stay, there I will stay.
Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God!
Your God will be my God!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Longing for rescue from the weight of our failures, let us confess our sin to God who hears our pleas and waits in mercy to forgive.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, hope of your people in every age, we confess that we have sinned against you. We have wandered from your pathways, turned toward idols, lived without compassion, and disregarded the well-being of your creation. Do not turn away from us, O Lord, but renew your covenant, for only in you will our lives be healed. Guide us and lead us in your ways, for happy are those who live in your house. Amen.

(Please take a moment of silent confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

In the name of the One who yearns to crown all people with righteousness and whose mercy exalts the humble, your sins are forgiven. May you be strengthened to live in the freedom of God's holy and eternal generosity. **Amen.**

(Please stand if you are able)

RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE

"Gloria Patri"

**Glorify 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.**

(You may be seated)

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

With humility for all that God has given us, let us gratefully give for the work of the church and the healing of this world.

OFFERTORY

Suzanne Zak Carver

(Please place your offering in the plate in the Narthex as you enter/exit the Sanctuary.)

(Please stand if you are able)

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 host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy and merciful God, you know the joy that is in us when we offer ourselves, our time, and our possessions for the work you set before us. Use these gifts to heal and teach, comfort and challenge, that all the world might give you praise. **Amen.**

(You may be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON

“Keep on Running”
Pastor Mark Lyndaker-Studer

(Please stand if you are able)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Philippians 2:5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

HYMN NO. 307

“Fight the Good Fight”

Fight the good fight with all thy might;
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God’s good grace,
Lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face;
Life with its way before us lies,
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, lean on thy guide;
God's boundless mercy will provide;
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not nor fear, God's arms are near;
God changeth not, and thou art dear;
Only believe, and thou shalt see
That Christ is all in all to thee.

CHARGE

Go out into the world in peace. Be of good courage. Hold onto what is good. Render no one evil for evil. Uplift the fainthearted. Support the weak. Laugh with those who laugh and mourn with those who mourn. Do this in a spirit of joy and appreciation for you are God's child. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

BLESSING

May the strength of Almighty God surround you, the mercy of the Lord Jesus Christ attend you, and the peace of the Holy Spirit be yours, today and always.

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\*Walt Fisher is a local cellist who has been playing since the age of 6. He currently performs with the Bucks County Symphony Orchestra and the Bucks County Gilbert and Sullivan Society. You may recognize him as he has played at Neshaminy for the 2019 Christmas Cantata. We are happy to have him back today.

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Prayer Concerns: Family of Alma McKenzie

Kari Watson

Joanne Cochran

Dorothy Moritz

Karen Meade

Dan Wolfgang

Trey McFadden (friend of Wendy Wirsch)

Craig Marvill (friend of Sue Rems)

Tim Godfrey (son in law of Sue Rems)

Helene Lyons (friend of Cindy Anderson)

John Anderson (brother of Kris Richard)

Sheha Ranade (friend of Beth Augustine)

Beth Moffa (friend of Beth Augustine)

Raydon Van Horn (great nephew of Beth Augustine)

David Louderback (nephew of Marge, cousin of Bob)

Christy Lessard (friend of Bill Watson)

Lyubov & family of Michael Farrel (family of Dalia & Jamme Lucas)

Tom Potts (father of Melissa Meade)

Amy Miller (niece of Bill Watson)

Donald Fiedler (cousin of Sandee Wilson)

Ed Bray (brother of Alice Bray)

Ed Larlick (friend of Dorothy Smith)

Kate McCullough (cousin of Susan Zimmerman)

Rima Mironas (mother of Dalia Lucas)

Bill Reiss (father of Robin Haug)

Ongoing Concerns: Debbie Edwards

Joan George

Kerry Zimmerman

Debbie Watson

David Rankin



PULPIT FLOWERS

The pulpit flowers are given in loving memory of Richard (Dick) Lucas and John Lucas from Jeanne Lucas and family; and given in loving memory of Joyce from Monty and Cindy Anderson. Deacons Don Millin & Sandee Wilson will deliver the flowers. Each week the flowers can be a bright moment for someone needing prayers or praise. If anyone in the congregation has a person in mind to give the pulpit flowers to, please contact Cindy Anderson at 215-672-3219.

Pulpit flowers are needed for October 30, November 13, 20, and 27. If you are interested in donating pulpit flowers, please contact Dorothy Smith at 215-343-1142.



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Join us for bible study at 10:00 A.M. in the Auditorium
Come and go in depth into that week's scripture to learn not only what the passage is about, but how it is relevant in your life.
You can come and just listen or, ask any questions you would like.
Newcomers are always welcome!

FUNERAL SERVICE

On Friday, October 28th there will be a funeral service for Alma McKenzie. Visitation with the family will be at 10 am followed by the funeral service at 11 am.



TODAY at 2pm – Trunk or Treat/Chili Cook-Off

EVERYONE is invited to join us for this fun event! Decorate your car....**OR NOT!**

Hand out candy....**FOR SURE!**

Children should come in costume and will travel from car to car to collect their candy.

Our youth is decorating the lodge to be a haunted house (not too scary).

Anyone can make chili and enter the Chili Cook-off.

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the outer narthex.

Please join us for this all-generational event!

MEN'S GROUP

First Meeting: Sunday November 6th from 6:15pm to 7:45pm

At Rick Rugel's 1471 Greenleaf Dr. Warrington, PA

This is your opportunity to get to know other men at NWPC better, and to participate in discussing the challenges we face in living a life of faith today. Please join us! For more information, or any questions you have you can talk to or email Pastor Mark or Rick Rugel.

Please *RSVP* so that we know how many will be coming.

pastormark@nwpc.net. Church Office: 215-343-6060

Red Cross Blood Drive

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!

Monday, November 7, 2022

2:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Coordinator Name: Don Millin

You can sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org



Blood supplies are low and the need is great. Presently, significant precautions are being taken to ensure the safety of each donor and Red Cross volunteer involved in the donation process. They are staggering appointments to keep contact to a minimum, doing temperature checks before donors step inside, practicing social distancing, and sanitizing everything constantly.

The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds and most of us will need blood in our lifetime.

Please consider a donation and sign up today to save a life!

JOIN OR DIE: THE DOAN GANG OF BUCKS COUNTY

Did you know that our third minister, Nathaniel Irwin, was a wanted man? During the American Revolution Bucks County's British loyalists were after our pastor for his ardent support to win our freedom from England. Maybe some of those loyalists were members of the notorious Doan Brother's Gang of Bucks County. Historians Clint Flack and Annie Haldiday of the Mercer Museum will present a program on these bad boys on Saturday, November 12th at 7PM in the church auditorium. The cost is \$10 per person if you make your reservation before the 12th. At the door the price is \$12. See Wendy Wirsch at brunch or contact her at 267-261-1274. You don't want to miss this presentation on the "Bad Boys of Bucks County." All proceeds benefit the restoration of the William Tennent House.

ADULT MISSION TEAM HOME REHAB

Ephesians 2:10

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works."

The Neshaminy Adult Mission Team are working with Good Works, a faith-based organization in Phoenixville. About twelve church members recently worked on two homes, installing windows, drywall, and a storm door, repairing stairs, and demolishing an old ceiling! Thanks to Darlene Baker for coordinating the registrations. The work is a one-day effort from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Our next workday will be in the spring of 2023, if you are interested in joining us, please contact Peter Clayton at super_limey@yahoo.com.

WHOLYFIT™

WholyFit is a low-impact women's ministry for your mind, body and soul. It's held every Tuesday in the Auditorium from 7:00 - 8:00 pm. Live music from Keith Rounds happens every first Tuesday each month. If you are interested in WholyFit, please contact Chelsea Rounds at mrsrounds@gmail.com. God bless!

THIS WEEK AT NESHAMINY

TODAY—Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge
—Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary
—Sunday Food & Fellowship 10:15 am Auditorium
—Trunk or Treat & Chili Cookoff 2 pm Parking Lot

MONDAY—Session meeting 7 pm Sanctuary then Lounge
—Deacon meeting 7 pm Sanctuary then Auditorium

TUESDAY—WholyFit 7 pm Auditorium

WEDNESDAY—Bible Study 10 am Auditorium

THURSDAY—Choir Rehearsal 7 pm Choir Room

FRIDAY—Visitation with the McKenzie family 10 am Narthex
— Funeral Service for Alma McKenzie 11am

SUNDAY—Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge
—Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary
—Sunday Food & Fellowship 10:15 am Auditorium

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Remembering that the members of Neshaminy-Warwick Presbyterian Church are the ministers and missionaries of our faith community, our Pastoral Staff and Support Team provide leadership and specialized ministries.