



## NESHAMINY-WARWICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First Sunday in Lent

February 26, 2023

### PRELUDE

"A Lenten Supplication" by Dittrich

### WELCOME

### HYMN NO. 482

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
Praise Him in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.  
Let the Amen sound from His people again,  
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For forty days and forty nights

**People: our Savior fasted in the wilderness..**

Leader: Tempted to turn from God, tempted to turn to power and privilege

**People: our Savior resisted.**

Leader: Let us follow Jesus through the wilderness this Lent, examining our temptations,  
resisting them and returning to God.

**People: Let us worship God.**

## WORSHIP SONG

“Love the Lord”

Love the Lord Your God will all your heart, with all your soul  
With all your mind, and with all your strength  
Love the Lord Your God will all your heart, with all your soul  
With all your mind, and with all your strength

*With all your heart, with all your soul  
With all your mind, with all your strength  
Love the Lord Your God will all your heart, with all your soul  
With all your mind, and with all your strength*

I will serve You, Lord with all my heart, with all my soul  
With all my mind, and with all my strength  
I will serve You, Lord with all my heart, with all my soul  
With all my mind, and with all my strength (Chorus)

I will love You (I will love You)  
I will praise You (I will praise You)  
I will serve You (I will serve You)  
I will trust You (I will trust You)

With all my heart, with all my soul  
With all my mind, with all my strength  
With all my heart, with all my soul  
With all my mind, with all my strength

Love the Lord Your God will all your heart, with all your soul  
With all your mind, and with all your strength  
Love the Lord Your God will all your heart, with all your soul  
With all your mind, and with all your strength

*(You may be seatedd)*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, as we devote these forty days to you, shape us by your Holy Spirit into the image of Christ our Lord, so that we may be ready, by your grace, to confront the power of death with the promise of eternal life. **Amen.**

## WORSHIP SONG

### "In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died  
The love of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt of life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
'til He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

**BEAR CREEK CAMP**

Collin Groom, Executive Director

*(Collin will be available during brunch to answer any questions)*

**BAPTISM**

Orion Ronan Elu Watson

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

“Nursery Tune” by G. Young

Lee Nelmes

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

We pause here to examine our lives, our temptations and the ways we have fallen short before our God. Let us confess our sins together.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Gracious God, as we wander through this wilderness with Jesus, examining all the worldly comforts we turn to during times of stress and struggle, we confess the neglect of our faith. We confess all that we place above you, making idols of money, earthly power, and even food. Empty us this Lent, Holy God. Guide us in our spiritual practices so we can leave this wilderness season more aware of your presence and the ways our faith can sustain us. Amen.**

*(Please take a moment of silent confession)*

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Remember and receive these hopeful words from John 8:32, “If you continue in my word, you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” Receive God’s truth. Receive God’s grace. Accept the freedom God provides. **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

God calls us to lives of grateful generosity. Let us praise the Giver of all good gifts through our offering today.

### OFFERTORY

Keith Rounds

*(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

God of grace, you provide for us in amazing ways. Accept these offerings as signs of our gratitude and bless them to further Christ's ministry and mission among the poor, the despairing and the destitute. **Amen.**

*(You may be seated)*

## SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" <sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" <sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

## SERMON

"Get Out of Here!"

Pastor Mark Lyndaker-Studer

*(Please stand if you are able)*

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From Colossians 1:15-20)

**Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.**

**HYMN NO. 260****“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”**

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing;  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God’s own choosing:  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;  
Lord Sabaoth, His Name, from age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us:  
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure,  
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who with us sideth:  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
The body they may kill: God’s truth abideth still,  
His kingdom is forever.

**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 steadfast love of God surround you throughout these forty days and into everlasting life.

**POSTLUDE**

“Glory Unto Thee Be Given” by J.S. Back



**Prayer Concerns:** Robin Haug  
Lily Meade  
Dorothy Moritz  
Charles Frijia (friend of Steve Uzelac)  
John Anderson (brother of Kris Richard)  
Donny Fiedler (friend of Wendy Wirsch)  
Jennifer Young (niece of Alice Bray)  
Elsie Stoud (sister of Dottie Kieffer)  
Eileen Kardon (friend of Laura Stillinovich)  
Karin Hart (sister of Laura Stillinovich)  
Jeff Smith (friend of the Darreffs)  
Leslie McCartney (sister of Gail Bilsland)  
David Rankin (brother of Deborah Kapinos & Paul Rankin)  
William McFadden (friend of Wendy Wirsch)  
Helene Lyons (friend of Cindy Anderson)  
Sheha Ranade (friend of Beth Augustine)  
Beth Moffa (friend of Beth Augustine)

**Ongoing Concerns:** Karen Meade  
Debbie Edwards  
Joan George  
Kerry Zimmerman  
Debbie Watson  
David Rankin (nephew of Deborah Kapinos & Paul Rankin)



# BEAR CREEK CAMP

Explore, celebrate & grow in God's creation!

## SUMMER CAMP FOR NWPC KIDS!

Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup>- Friday June 23<sup>rd</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grades

We would like to offer this opportunity to your children this summer! For those of you who have older youth going on the mission trip, it is the same week. Please consider this prayerfully. It will be a chance for our children to grow in their faith while building relationships with each other and other children who will be there. Speaking from experience, some of my best memories are from church camp with my Sunday school friends. Donna

**Bear Creek Camp** in the Poconos Mountains (1 hour and 40 minutes from NWPC)

**Register online at: [Bearcreekcamp.org](http://Bearcreekcamp.org)**

**Use code: NWPC23 (all caps) and Select Tier A**

**Cost: \$350.00**

Bear Creek Camp's overnight camping program, is a traditional camp program centered on spiritual growth, outdoor living and small group development. Each age group experiences a mix of small-group and all-camp activities throughout their week to meet their group's spiritual, social and developmental needs. Camp sessions begin on Sunday afternoon and end Friday afternoon. Campers spend their time living and playing together: swimming, boating, hiking, worshipping, playing games, discussing their faith, camping, making arts and crafts, learning about the environment, singing and much more. Campers live in a cabin according to their gender and grade. Each cabin is paired with another to make a Quest Group. Quest Groups form the campers' main family group for their time at camp.

**Camp Director Collin Grooms** will be with us on Sunday February 26<sup>th</sup> to do a presentation and answer any questions parents have.

*\*If cost is an issue please speak with Pastor Mark or Donna.*

**BINGO**

14	29	38	52	74
4	18	33	46	62
7	16	★	60	71
9	27	44	51	67
12	23	35	47	73

**MISSION CORNER**

**BINGO~PIG ROAST & BBQ DINNER BUFFET~AUCTION**

Saturday, March 18th 4pm—8pm



Proceeds to benefit our ongoing Mission projects AND Youth Group mission trip in June.  
 There will be lots of gift baskets and food, and it will be a fun night!

If you would like to help, you can help by asking businesses you know to make donations or by donating and putting together a basket.

**Here are a few basket suggestions:** Outdoor things for kids (bubbles, chalk, water toys, goggles, fun floats), Fire Pit with smores kit, Grill with tools, Plants and/or stuff to plant (think veggie garden too), Fishing basket (rod, tacklebox), Movie and Candy, Girl scout Cookie and Wine basket, Family Game Night, Outdoor Games, Golf related items, Pet grooming/Pet toys, Coffee/Tea Basket/Espresso, Massage/Facial, Hair Salon, CrockPot/Cookware, Lottery Tickets, Margarita/Taco night, Beach Chair/Cooler/Towels, Legos, National Park Pass, hiking stuff, FitBit, Book Club, Arts/Crafts, Ice Cream Sundae, Knitting/Crocheting Basket

**Suggestions of places to call for donations:** Restaurants, Bowling - Thunderbird, Bowlero, Urban air, Sky zone, Lawn and garden centers - Holly Days, Gasper, Breweries - Artifacts, Crooked Eye, Warwick, Mini Golf - Merry Mead, Freddy Hill, iFly, Bucks County River Tubing, Gym Membership, Michaels

*If you don't have time or can't think of something to do  
 you can also donate money for us to buy items for baskets and prizes.*

**Tickets: \$25 Adult \$10 Kids under 16**

**Ticket includes:** 10 pack of Bingo Cards & Dinner Buffet

**Available Extras:** \$10 Bingo Game for a larger prize & Silent Auction items

**Dinner Includes:**

Whole Roasted Pig – freshly carved • Fried Chicken • Tossed Salad • Cole Slaw  
 Mac and Cheese • Baked Beans • Cookies • Iced Tea & Lemonade

**Tickets will be sold during Food & Fellowship every Sunday**



## PULPIT FLOWERS

The pulpit flowers are given in loving memory of Henry Strawn and Dorothy Strawn Petry by Nick and Sue Doerfler; and by Charlotte Rugel in memory of loved ones. Deacons Cindy Anderson & Doris Rowley 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.



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**JULY 16TH—JULY 19TH**

## 5TH ANNUAL WKM GOLF OUTING

Monday, May 15, 2023 Best Ball/Scramble Format

9:45 a.m. Shot-Gun Start (Sign-In/Registration starting at 8:45 AM)

Five Ponds Golf Club ~

Donation: \$175.00 per player



Includes: Lunch • Greens Fees and Cart • Putting Contest • 8 Hole Prizes, Door Prize  
Post-Tournament Reception • A fun day to benefit a Critical Urban Ministry

Support Opportunities: Sponsor a Hole - \$250 • Sponsor or Donate a Prize - \$400 or prize value • Sponsor WKM logo Golf Balls - \$900 • Sponsor or Co-Sponsor Golf Outing - \$7500  
Sponsor or Co-Sponsor Lunch - \$1500 • Sponsor or Co-Sponsor Reception - \$2500 • Silent Auction - Bid or Donate an Auction Item • Purchase Mulligans, 50/50 Raffle

To Register: go to [www.westkensingtonministry.com](http://www.westkensingtonministry.com), Click on the GREEN "Golfer Registration" icon. It's near the bottom of the home page.  
More info? Contact: Chad Pilling – [pillingcb@gmail.com](mailto:pillingcb@gmail.com)

# THIS WEEK AT NESHAMINY

TODAY—Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge

—Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary

—Food & Fellowship 10 am Auditorium

—Private Function 12 pm Auditorium

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—BCIU 9 am Auditorium

—William Tennent House Assoc. 2 pm Lounge

SUNDAY—Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge

—Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary

—Food & Fellowship 10 am Auditorium

—Mary-Martha Circle 10:30 am Lounge

—Handbell Rehearsal 10:30 am Choir Room

—Youth Group 6 pm Youth Room

## Church Staff

Rev. Mark Lyndaker-Studer, Pastor

Donna Mazeika, Director of Children & Youth

Rev. Sameh Shaker, Pastor of Visitation

Dr. Suzanne Zak Carver, Director of Music

Keith Rounds, Contemporary Music

Marianne Tierney, Business Manager

Cheryl Overton, Church Administrator

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.

## WAYS TO GIVE



**ONLINE:**

[www.nwpc.net](http://www.nwpc.net)



**ON YOUR PHONE:**

- Open the camera on your phone
- Point the camera at the QR code
- Follow phone prompts to give via credit card



**ENVELOPE:**

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