



NESHAMINY-WARWICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 9, 2023

WELCOME

HYMN NO. 487

“When Morning Guilds the Skies”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, all you who carry heavy burdens, and Christ will give you rest.

People: For he is gentle and humble in heart; in him we find rest for our souls.

Leader: In this place, we gather to turn our hearts and minds to God.

People: We rejoice that the Triune God meets us here.

Leader: As we worship, we remember,

People: that we are the family of faith together!

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)

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 24:34-38

³⁴So he said, "I am Abraham's servant. ³⁵The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. ³⁶And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old, and he has given him all that he has. ³⁷My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites in whose land I live, ³⁸but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.'

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

WORSHIP SONG

"You are My All in All"

You are my strength when I am weak
You are the treasure that I seek
You are my all in all
Seeking You as a precious jewel
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool

You are my all in all
Jesus, Lamb of God
Worthy is Your name
Jesus, Lamb of God
Worthy is Your name

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame
Rising again I bless Your name
You are my all in all
When I fall down You pick me up
When I am dry You fill my cup
You are my all in all

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Donna Mazeika

(We invite all children through 5th grade to come up to the front of the Sanctuary for a special message for them. They will then be dismissed to their Sunday School teacher, or if you prefer they may return to their seats with you.)

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Here I Am Lord"

Chris Davies & Suzanne Zak Carver

CALL TO CONFESSION

When we come to worship God, we must first remember who we are, and we are people who often sin and turn from the ways of God. Relying on God's abundant grace, let us offer our confession together, knowing that we will be offered forgiveness in Christ.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we are a people who often do the wrong thing, even when we want to do what is right. We have not cared for others as you have called us to, but we have been focused primarily on ourselves. We have been a people who are more divisive than uniting, more unkind than kind, and more rebellious than faithful. Forgive us, we pray and make us new to go forth and glorify you. Amen.

(Please take a moment of silent confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the Good News! Through the grace and love of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! **Amen.**

(Please stand if you are able)

RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE

"Gloria Patri"

Glory 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

In response to God's gracious action in our lives, we are called to give an offering to God. Our offering to God is our whole lives, including a part of what we have. Let us give an offering to God for God's purposes in our community and the world.

OFFERTORY

"Siyahamba" (We are Marching in the Light of God)
Chris Davies & Suzanne Zak Carver

*(If you are our guest, please don't feel obligated to participate.
We would be honored if today's service could be our gift to you.)*

(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

Thank you, God, for all that we have and all that we are. We take these gifts given today and dedicate them ever and only to you. **Amen.**

(You may be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 24:42-49, 58-67

⁴²“I came today to the spring and said, ‘O LORD, God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going!’ ⁴³I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, “Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,” ⁴⁴and who will say to me, “Drink, and I will draw for your camels also”—let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master’s son.’ ⁴⁵“Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder, and she went down to the spring and drew. I said to her, ‘Please let me drink.’ ⁴⁶She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder and said, ‘Drink, and I will also water your camels.’ So I drank, and she also watered the camels. ⁴⁷Then I asked her, ‘Whose daughter are you?’ She said, ‘The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor’s son, whom Milcah bore to him.’ So I put the ring on her nose and the bracelets on her arms. ⁴⁸Then I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master’s kinsman for his son. ⁴⁹Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left.”

⁵⁸And they called Rebekah and said to her, “Will you go with this man?” She said, “I will.” ⁵⁹So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham’s servant and his men. ⁶⁰And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, “May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes.” ⁶¹Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man, and the servant took Rebekah and went his way. ⁶²Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi and was settled in the Negeb. ⁶³Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field, and, looking up, he saw camels coming. ⁶⁴And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel ⁶⁵and said to the servant, “Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?” The servant said, “It is my master.” So she took her veil and covered herself. ⁶⁶And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. ⁶⁷Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah’s tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife, and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother’s death.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

SERMON

“Good God or Good Luck?”
Pastor Mark Lyndaker-Studer

(Please stand if you are able)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the PC(USA) Declaration of Faith)

Jesus Christ stands at the center of the biblical record. The Bible is the account of God’s word and action in history, together with his people’s response in faith. It tells how the Lord has moved with Israel and the church towards the kingdom of God, his just and loving rule over all. It is the story of the one God, who is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. That story is still unfolding, and in faith, we make it our own. It forms our memory and our hope. It tells us who we are and what we are to do. To retell it is to declare what we believe.

HYMN NO. 155

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

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 God who feels compassion for all lead you to find love in your life and the peace that comes from living with a gentle and humble heart.



Prayer Concerns: Family of Thomas Potts (father of Melissa Meade)
Susan Zimmerman
Family of Nick Doerfler (former long-time member of NWPC)
Larry McClure (friend of Wendy Wirsch)
Terry Blue (friend of Dave & Joanne Cochran)
Lois Williams (friend of Nina Resavage)
Judy, Erin, and Lauren (friends of Robin Haug)
Rob Salvia (friend of Wendy Wirsch)
Nichole Trollman (future daughter in law of Sandee Wilson)
Ted Lioumis and Era Papanicolaou (friends of Dalia Lucas)
Diane Raab
John Roushey
Joan Becker
Susan Bubb (friend of Dalia Lucas)
Sharon Burrink (friend of Wendy Wirsch)
Rima Mironas (mother of Dalia Lucas)
Joe O'Neill (brother of Mike O'Neill)
Robin Haug
Jerry Furr (friend of Barb & John Landis)
Donnie Fiedler (cousin of Sandee Wilson)
David Rankin (brother of Deborah Kapinos & Paul Rankin)
David Rankin (nephew of Deborah Kapinos & Paul Rankin)

Ongoing Concerns: Charles Sutton
Dorothy Moritz
Karen Meade
Debbie Edwards
Joan George
Kerry Zimmerman
Debbie Watson

VBS 2023

Compassion Camp: What Every Living Thing Needs

July 16th – 19th

6 – 8pm

Age 3 – Grade 5



Bible Story, Singing, Crafts, Active Games

Register: www.nwpc.net

To volunteer contact:

Donna Mazeika

Director of Children & Youth Ministries

215-343-6060

donna.mazeika@nwpc.net

ALL ARE WELCOME!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE SUMMER!

We will continue to provide Bible stories and activities for children thru 5th grade throughout the summer. We need at least 2 adults to cover each Sunday (grades K – 5). There is a sign-up sheet in the outer narthex. On the Sundays that Heidi is here we need one person to sign up to help. There are a few Sundays that we need two people. I will provide story books and coloring sheets for you to use with the children. *If you signed up, there are some story books on the table next to the sign-up sheet.* There are more downstairs in the Sunday school room. Weather permitting, you may take the children outside to the playground after their story. The younger children will continue to meet in the toddler classroom with Miss Lisa and Miss Sue.

PHILLIES BUS TRIP

I look forward for our Phillies Bus Trip scheduled for Tuesday, August 22, 2023 as the Phillies play the San Francisco Giants. Bus leaves promptly at 3:30 p.m. and returns to church by 10:30 p.m. If you haven't already paid, monies are due by July 14. The cost is \$54. Checks should be made payable to NWPC and either dropped off at the church or mailed to the church. Contact person is Dorothy Smith and she can be reached at 215-343-1142 or email her at drsmith524@verizon.net.



PULPIT FLOWERS

The pulpit flowers are both given to the glory of God. Deacons Beth Haller & Peg Kaelin 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 July 23, July 30, August 6 and August 27. If you are interested in donating pulpit flowers, please contact Dorothy Smith at 215-343-1142.

WHOLYFIT

There will be NO WholyFit in the month of July. We will resume August 1.

2023 DIRECTORY

New church directories are now available in the Outer Narthex. Please take one per household. If any corrections or changes are needed please contact Cheryl in the church office.

KEITH ROUNDS SOLO ACOUSTIC SHOWS IN JUNE AND JULY

Our contemporary worship leader Keith Rounds will be performing solo acoustic shows in June and July. Keith plays both original songs and covers.



TODAY from 3-6pm

Tranquility Brewing Company

780 Falcon Cir, Warminster, PA 18974

WAYS TO GIVE



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www.nwpc.net



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



ENVELOPE:

1401 Meetinghouse Road,
Warminster PA 18974

THIS WEEK AT NESHAMINY

SUNDAY, JULY 9

- Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge
- Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary
- Food & Fellowship 10 am Auditorium

SUNDAY, JULY 16

- Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge
- Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary
- Food & Fellowship 10 am Auditorium

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.