



NESHAMINY-WARWICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 1, 2023

WELCOME

HYMN NO. 473

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: People will come from east and west,

People: from north and south,

Leader: and will eat in the kingdom of God.

People: Thanks be to God for welcoming us to the table.

Leader: People of God, bless the Lord,

People: bless God's holy name.

Leader: For as the heavens are high above the earth,

People: so great is God's steadfast love for us.

WORSHIP SONG

“How Great Is Our God”

The splendor of the king, clothed in majesty,
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at his voice, trembles at his voice.

Chorus:

**How great is our God, sing with me,
How great is our God, all will see,
How great, how great is our God.**

Age to age he stands, and time is in his hands,
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
The Godhead, three in one: Father, Spirit, Son,
The lion and the lamb, the lion and the lamb. **(Chorus)**

Name above all names, Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing how great is our God **2x (Chorus)**

(You may be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 2:1-10

2 Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. **2**The woman conceived and bore a son, and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. **3**When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. **4**His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. **5**The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. **6**When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. **7**Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” **8**Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. **9**Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. **10**When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and he became her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

WORSHIP SONG

“Wonderful King”

We are here because of grace because of love
We are here because of You because of You
You are here because of grace because of love
You are here because of You because of You

You fill out hearts with more than we can hold inside and so we sing

Chorus:

Beautiful Savior Wonderful King

Beautiful Savior Wonderful King

We are here because of grace because of love
You are here because of You because of You

You fill out hearts with more than we can hold inside and so we sing **(Chorus)**

Oh, beautiful sound the joy of Heaven here
Oh, wonderful sound love of Heaven now
Oh, beautiful sound the joy of Heaven here
Oh, wonderful sound love of Heaven now
Oh, beautiful sound the joy of Heaven here
Oh wonderful sound Oh wonderful sound **(Chorus)**

SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGERS

“When I Look Up”

directed by Kyle Montgomery

*(Children are then dismissed to their Sunday School teacher,
or if you prefer they may return to their seats with you.)*

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Cornerstone”

CALL TO CONFESSION

Sin is our stumbling block. Repentance clears the way to hear and receive God’s truth. Let us confess our sins together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we are indebted to you and your generosity. But we fail to live as good stewards of all you have given us. We confiscate and consume far more than our fair share. We neglect the poor and trap people in poverty, claiming that debt forgiveness is unfair. God, liberate us from our spiritual and moral bondage. Free our world for jubilee. Reorder our priorities so all your nations and peoples may thrive. **Amen.**

(Please take a moment of silent confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **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)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

We are inspired to be generous by a generous God. We are inspired to give by the greatest of givers. In gratitude to God, let us present our tithes and offerings.

OFFERTORY

Keith Rounds

*(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

Holy God, bless these gifts for your good use. May these tokens of our gratitude be of service in blessing the poor, feeding the hungry, clothing and sheltering those struggling to survive. Use these gifts to further Christ's mission and ministry in a hurting world. **Amen.**

(You may be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 2:11-22

¹¹One day after Moses had grown up, he went out to his people and saw their forced labor. He saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his own people. ¹²He looked this way and that, and seeing no one he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. ¹³When he went out the next day, he saw two Hebrews fighting, and he said to the one who was in the wrong, "Why do you strike your fellow Hebrew?" ¹⁴He answered, "Who made you a ruler and judge over us? Do you mean to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?" Then Moses was afraid and thought, "Surely the thing is known." ¹⁵When Pharaoh heard of it, he sought to kill Moses. So Moses fled from Pharaoh. He settled in the land of Midian and sat down by a well. ¹⁶The priest of Midian had seven daughters. They came to draw water and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. ¹⁷But some shepherds came and drove them away. Moses got up and came to their defense and watered their flock. ¹⁸When they returned to their father Reuel, he said, "How is it that you have come back so soon today?" ¹⁹They said, "An Egyptian helped us against the shepherds; he even drew water for us and watered the flock." ²⁰He said to his daughters, "Where is he? Why did you leave the man? Invite him to share a meal." ²¹Moses agreed to stay with the man, and he gave Moses his daughter Zipporah in marriage. ²²She bore a son, and he named him Gershom, for he said, "I have been an alien residing in a foreign land."

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

SERMON

When You Feel like You Don't Belong Anywhere"
Pastor Mark Lyndaker-Studer

(Please stand if you are able)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostles Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and God of might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.

(Everyone is welcome to partake of the elements. We will be using prepackaged wafers and juice. Please come forward by the center aisle, take the elements from one of the baskets, and return to your seat by the side aisle. Please hold your elements until all are served so we can partake together. There are also gluten-free elements on the side tables.)

COMMUNION SONG

“Shout to the Lord”

My Jesus, my Savior
Lord there is none like You
All of my days
I want to praise
the wonders of your
mighty love

My comfort, my shelter
tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath
all that I am
Never cease to worship you

Shout to the Lord
on the earth let us sing
power and majesty praise to the king
Mountains bow down
and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name

I sing for joy
at the work of your hand
Forever I'll love you
forever I'll stand

Nothing compares to the promise I have in you

PARTAKING OF THE SACRAMENT

COMMUNION PRAYER

HYMN NO. 511

“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

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

The blessing of God be with you, the love of Jesus fill you, and the power of the Holy Spirit sustain you, now and forevermore.



Prayer Concerns: Jonie Garcia (mother of Dave Garcia)
Malory Mee (friend of Garcia family)
Family of Mark Hennessy
Family of Iris Lyndaker (Anita & Mark's sister in law)
Allan Schrage (friend of Sue Rems)
Family of Elsie Stoud (sister of Dottie Kieffer)
Family of Gloria Mizdail (mother of Lisa Forbes)
Tom Ceneviva (friend of Laura Stilinovich)
Karin Hart (sister of Laura Stilinovich)
Paulette Gold (friend of Sandee Wilson)
Tracey Schaaf (friend of Sandee Wilson)
Sue Ellen Nolan-Greeby (sister of Bill Watson)
Ed Sochanski (friend of Bill Watson)
Terry Blue (friend of Dave & Joanne Cochran)
Lois Williams (friend of Nina Resavage)
Rob Salvia (friend of Wendy Wirsch)
Sharon Burrink (friend of Wendy Wirsch)
Rima Mironas (mother of Dalia Lucas)
Jerry Furr (friend of Barb & John Landis)
David Rankin (nephew of Deborah Kapinos & Paul Rankin)

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



PULPIT FLOWERS

The pulpit flowers are given by Edith Miller in memory of family and loved ones; and given to the glory of God. Deacons Beth Haller & 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.



TRUNK OR TREAT/CHILI COOK-OFF – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH – 2PM

EVERYONE is invited to join us for this fun event! Decorate your car...OR NOT! Hand out candy... **FOR SURE!** Hot Dogs, Chili, Kona Ice, Pumpkin Painting, Face Painting and more!

- Children should come in costume and will travel from car to car to collect their candy.
- **Anyone can make chili and enter the Chili Cook-off. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the outer narthex. We encourage you to be creative and have some fun with this!**

Please join us for this all-generational event!

REMEMBER OUR VETERANS

NWPC's veterans who have served our Country will be recognized on Sunday, November 5, 2023. If you haven't contacted me before, please do so now by giving me your name, branch, rank, and years of service. You can reach me at 215-343-1142 and leave a message or send an email to drsmith524@verizon.net. Also notify me if you'll be in church on that Sunday. Thanks! Dorothy Smith

MISSION CORNER

CASSEROLES

We are making casseroles for the St. Francis Inn in Kensington
October 8th after Food & Fellowship
Eight volunteers are need to help assemble the casseroles.

SECOND HAND MARKET & CRAFT FAIR

November 4th 9am—2pm
A great time for everyone to sell your treasures or crafts!
We provide the tables, YOU provide your treasures to sell
\$25.00 per table
10x10 Vendor spaces available \$40
Food will be available for purchase, including hot dogs, pretzels, & baked goods
Bakers are needed!
Sign-up sheets are available during Food & Fellowship
Rain or Shine!

Red Cross Blood Drive



Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!
Monday, November 6, 2023 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Coordinator Name: Don Millin

You can sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org, enter NWP

Blood supplies are low and the need is great. If you've donated in the past - THANK YOU and we look forward to seeing you again on November 6. If you haven't ever given blood, PLEASE consider making this your first time. The need is continuous and the satisfaction of helping others with what truly is "the gift of life" is rewarding. If you have questions, you can contact Don at PSU2242@gmail.com or 267-402-0040.

Be a Hero and sign up to give blood. Every donation saves three lives!

TAKE A WALK WITH BEN FRANKLIN

Last May the William Tennent House Association sponsored a walking tour with Ben Franklin in the historic district of Philadelphia. Due to cancellations because of rain, we decided to offer the tour again. On Saturday, October 21st the tour will begin at the First Bank of the United States at 11AM. Visit the sites where Ben Franklin made a name for himself as a printer, inventor, and statesman. Last may those of us who went on the tour took the train from the Warminster Station to Jefferson Station and walked to the First Bank. The cost for the walking tour is \$35. Wendy Wirsch will be in Coffee Hour to sign you up or you can call her at 267-261-1274 and email her at wbw42451@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK AT NESHAMINY

SUNDAY—Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge
—Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary
—Food & Fellowship 10 am Auditorium
—Mary-Martha Circle 10:30 am Lounge
—Youth Group 6 pm Youth Room

TUESDAY—WholyFit 7 pm Auditorium

WEDNESDAY—Bible Study 10 am Auditorium

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

WAYS TO GIVE



ONLINE:
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:

1401 Meetinghouse Road,
Warminster PA 18974

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.