



NESHAMINY-WARWICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Second Sunday in Lent

March 16, 2025

WELCOME

HYMN NO. 276

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Ondine Van Tassel

Leader: We gather today in the presence of God, celebrating the journey of faith and the commitment of those who are being confirmed.

People: We rejoice with our sisters and brothers, who have chosen to confirm their faith and join us in the life of the church.

Leader: The Lord has called each of us by name. Let us worship God with hearts full of gratitude.

People: With joy and thanksgiving, we lift our voices in praise to the One who guides and sustains us.

Leader: As we witness the confirmation of faith today, may we all be reminded of our own journeys and the covenant we share.

People: In unity and love, we continue to grow in faith, trusting in God's promises.

WORSHIP SONG

“Watchmen”

Tell me watchman now what of the morning
Is the end of the night coming soon
I've been waiting and praying and longing
For the One who is faithful and true
But I know He's the hope for the helpless
And a comfort to all those who mourn
Is the song of His glorious returning
Rising up on the wings of the dawn

(Chorus)

*His morning comes and O the sun will rise again
And all of the earth will be filled with His glorious light
And even when the day is short and evening comes
I know in Him even darkness even the darkness is light*

Tell me watchman now what of the morning
For we sing of the light of the world
And we sing of the one they call Jesus
Who is mighty in deed and in word
For I know He's the Son of the Highest
And I know that His victory is won
And the song of His glorious returning
Rises up on the wings of the dawn *(Chorus)*

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(You may be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:1-10

Emily Curtis

5 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷ "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸ "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹ "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

WORSHIP SONG

"Sovereign"

Sovereign in the mountain air

Sovereign on the ocean floor

With me in the calm

With me in the storm

Sovereign in my greatest joy

In my deepest cry

With me in the dark

With me at the dawn

In your everlasting arm

All the pieces of my life

From beginning to the end

I can trust you

In your never failing love

You work everything for good

God whatever comes my way

I will trust you

All my hopes

All I need

Held in your hands

All my life

All of me

Held in your hands

All my fears

All my dreams

Held in your hands (2X)

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.)

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Let All Things Praise the Lord"

Praise the Lord Who reigns above and keeps His court below.

Praise the Holy God of love, and all His greatness show!

Praise Him for His noble deeds. Praise Him for His matchless pow'r.

Him from Whom all good proceeds, let earth and heav'n adore.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

He's the God of Love and He reigns above.

Let all things praise the Lord!

Jesus reigns! Let earth be glad, let distant shores rejoice.

Heav'n proclaim His righteousness, earth sing with ev'ry voice.

Praise Him ev'ry tuneful string, all the songs of heav'nly art,

all the pow'rs of music bring the music of the heart.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Of His righteousness ev'ry tongue confess.

Let all things praise the Lord!

Of His righteousness, ev'ry tongue confess. Praise the Lord!

Him in Whom they move and live, let ev'ry creature sing

Glory to their Maker give, and homage to their King.

Praise His everlasting name, as in heav'n and earth adored.

Oh Praise the Lord in ev'ry breath, let all things praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

He's the coming King, lift your voice and sing.

He's the God of Love, and He reigns above.

Let all things praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leah Curtis

As we gather on this Confirmation Sunday, we are reminded of our need for God's grace and forgiveness. Let us come before God in humility and confess our sins, trusting in God's mercy and love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leah Curtis

Merciful God, we confess that we have not always followed your ways. We have strayed from your path and have failed to love you with our whole hearts. Forgive us, we pray, and renew us by your Spirit.

(Please take a moment of silent confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leah Curtis

Christ died for us while we were still sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

(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

Dylan Augustine

As we gather our gifts and offerings, let us do so with a spirit of gratitude and generosity. Remember the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, who said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Let us give joyfully and sacrificially, knowing that every gift, no matter the size, makes a difference in the lives of others. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY

“Like a Child” by Jars of Clay Keith Rounds & Mark Lyndaker-Studer

(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

Dylan Augustine

Almighty and Gracious God, We come before You with hearts filled with gratitude for the many blessings You have bestowed upon us. As we gather today, we dedicate these gifts to Your service and to the work of Your Kingdom. **Amen.**

(You may be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 3:17-19

David Garcia

¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: **Thanks be to God**

CONFIRMANDS PRESENT STATEMENTS OF FAITH

Bella Garcia, Emily Curtis, Dylan Augustine, Emma Studer, Caylee Gorniowsky,
Audrey Nelmes, David Garcia, Ondine Van Tassel, Leah Curtis

QUESTIONS TO THE CONFIRMANDS

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.

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 grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, now and forevermore. Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. **Amen.**



Prayer Concerns: Dawn Hampson (daughter in law of Eloyce Sturgeon)
Jonathan Wilson (son of Sandee Wilson)
Nichole Trollman (friend of Sandee Wilson)
Betty Pauciello (friend of Nina Resavage)
Family of Larry Kuhn (brother of Linda King)
Hariclia Michalopoulos (Friend of Dalia Lucas)
Annette Rancourt (mother in law of Peggy Rancourt)
Sandee Wilson
Dana Maria Ryman (friend of Bill Watson)
Bob Gill (friend of Bill Watson)
Family of Iris Brown (mother of Lynne VanFossen)
Debbie & Bill Watson
Karin Hart (sister of Laura Stilinovich)
Tom Cenevia (friend of Laura Stilinovich)
Cyndee Carr (sister of Laura Stilinovich)
Geraldine Schultz (friend of Sue McOwen)
Faith Vernon (friend of Bill Watson)
Rich McNeeley (cousin of Sally Traubel)
Gloria Long (sister of Charlotte Rugel)
Ethan Chow (friend of Jen Kreischer)
Ian Smith (nephew of Dorothy Moritz)

Ongoing Concerns: Cathy Roushey
Leslie Bonner
Rima Mironas
Cathy Shaheen
David Rankin
Charles Sutton
Debbie Edwards
Kerry Zimmerman



PULPIT FLOWERS

The pulpit flowers are given in memory of her parents Alice and Allen Cullis from Audrey Read; and given in celebration of their granddaughter, Isabelle's, 11th birthday from Don and Jan Millin. 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 let the Deacons delivering the flowers this week know. Pulpit flower donations are needed for March 23rd and 30th. If you would like to donate flowers, please contact Dorothy Smith at 215-343-1142.

MEN'S GROUP NEXT MEETING

TONIGHT @ 6:00 PM

At NWPC (Lounge)

The next Men's Group meeting will be on Sunday, March 16th. We will be discussing Eugene Peterson's book *A Long Obedience in the Same Direction – Discipleship In An Instant Society*. There is no need to read the book for the Men's Group meetings. The Men's Group is a great opportunity to get to know other men at NWPC better, and to participate in discussing Bible themes as well as 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 Pastor Mark or Rick Rugel.

THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

The Compassionate Friends is a support group for grieving parents and grandparents. The purpose of the group is to provide support to grieving parents through this extremely difficult time. A co leader, who has also lost a child, facilitates the meeting. The group meets the third Wednesday of every month in the lounge from 7:00—8:30 pm. For additional information please contact Jan Millin at 215-820-3506 or janmke12@gmail.com.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Palm Sunday, April 13th

at 2pm for children ages 2 – grade 5.

Children will be divided into age groups.

If you would like to help we are in need of the following donations: Plastic Eggs, Individually wrapped candy (NO NUTS OR NUT BUTTER!!!), prizes (i.e., chocolate bunnies, small stuffed animals, children's books, bubbles, balls, coloring books, small board games, fast food, Dairy Queen or coffee shop gift cards {\$5})

Please bring all donations by Sunday, April 6th.

Bring your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, neighbors!!

7th Annual WKM Golf Outing Five Ponds Golf Club

Benefiting West Kensington Ministry



Monday, May 12, 2025

Best Ball / Scramble Format

9:45 a.m. Shot-Gun Start

(Sign-In/Registration starting at 8:45 AM)



Donation: \$180.00 per player

Includes: Lunch - Greens Fees and Cart - Putting Contest
Hole Prizes, Door Prizes
Post-Tournament Reception

Your Support will benefit a Critical Urban Ministry

Support Opportunities:

Sponsor a Hole.....	\$300
Sponsor or Donate a Prize.....	\$400 or prize value
Sponsor WKM logo Golf Balls.....	\$900
Sponsor or Co-Sponsor Lunch.....	\$1500
Sponsor or Co-Sponsor Reception.....	\$2500
Sponsor or Co-Sponsor Beverage Cart.....	\$1000
Sponsor or Co-Sponsor the Golf Outing.....	\$5000
Silent Auction - Bid or Donate an Auction Item	
Purchase Mulligans, 50/50 Raffle	

To Register: go to 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
Joe Porter – josephporter1011@gmail.com

EASTER LILIES

All those interested in making donations for lilies to decorate the sanctuary at Easter please notify Dorothy Smith (215-343-1142) no later than Friday, April 11. Please fill out the form below indicating which option you prefer:

I am interested in making a donation (any dollar amount). I understand the lilies will be delivered to shut-ins.

I prefer to make a donation for a lily (\$10). I understand I can pick up this lily after the 9 o'clock service.

As all donations will be noted in the Sunday, April 17 bulletin, please designate what the wording should be for you:

(In memory of, from Mr. & Mrs. Smith, etc.)

All checks should be made payable to Neshaminy-Warwick Presbyterian Church, Attn: Easter Lilies and forwarded to the church at 1401 Meetinghouse Road, Warminster, PA 18974.

(Signature)



THIS WEEK AT NESHAMINY

SUNDAY—Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge
—Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary
—Food & Fellowship 10:15 am Auditorium
—Men’s Group 6 pm Lounge

TUESDAY—WholyFit 6:30 pm Auditorium

WEDNESDAY—Sarah Circle 9:15 am Lounge
—Bible Study 10 am Auditorium
—The Compassionate Friends 7 pm Lounge

THURSDAY—Choir Rehearsal 7 pm

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

WAYS TO GIVE



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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
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.