



## NESHAMINY-WARWICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Easter Sunday

April 5, 2026

### WELCOME

### 300th ANNIVERSARY HYMN INTRODUCTION

HYMN NO. 379

*"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above"*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist-Donna Mazeika

One: On the first day of the week, while the world was still wrapped in darkness, the women came to the tomb.

**All: They came with grief, with questions, with hearts weighed down.**

One: But the earth trembled, the stone was rolled away, and an angel of the Lord proclaimed, "Do not be afraid."

**All: Fear gave way to wonder; sorrow gave way to joy.**

One: The tomb was empty, but the promise was full—Christ had been raised, just as he said.

**All: Hope rose with the dawn; life broke through the shadows.**

One: And as the women ran to share the good news, the risen Christ met them on the road and called them by name.

**All: We come seeking that same presence, to hear that same word of life.**

One: Come with your doubts and your faith, your weariness and your joy, your longing and your praise.

**All: For Christ is risen and meets us here.**

One: Let us worship the God who overturns every expectation, who brings life out of death and joy out of fear.

**All: Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed. Let us worship God.**

## WORSHIP SONGS

### “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)*

### “Beautiful Things”

All this pain, I wonder if I'll ever find my way  
I wonder if my life could really change at all

All this earth, could all that is lost ever be found  
Could a garden come up from this ground at all

*You make beautiful things  
You make beautiful things out of the dust  
You make beautiful things  
You make beautiful things out of us*

All around, hope is springing up from this old ground  
Out of chaos life is being found in You

You make me new  
You are making me new

## SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 118:14-24

(Liturgist)

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. <sup>15</sup>There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: “The right hand of the LORD does valiantly; <sup>16</sup>the right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.” <sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but I shall live and recount the deeds of the LORD. <sup>18</sup>The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death. <sup>19</sup>Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. <sup>20</sup>This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. <sup>21</sup>I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. <sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. <sup>23</sup>This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. <sup>24</sup>This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

One: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

## JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

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

## CHOIR ANTHEM

“Crown Him, the Risen King!”

## CALL TO CONFESSION

(Liturgist)

The risen Christ meets us on the road, not to condemn us, but to call us into new life. Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Liturgist)

**Risen Lord, we confess that we are often like the women at the tomb—unsure, afraid, slow to believe the good news you speak. You call us to joy, yet we cling to fear. You send us to share your hope, yet we remain silent. You meet us with grace, yet we turn away from your presence. Forgive us. Raise us to new life with you. Give us courage to trust your promise and hearts ready to worship and follow you. Amen.**

*(Please take a moment of silent confession)*

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

(Liturgist)

Hear the good news: The angel said, “He is not here; he has been raised.” And Christ himself met the women on the road, saying, “Do not be afraid.” In Jesus Christ, the risen Lord, we 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)*

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

On that first Easter morning, the women ran to share the good news with “fear and great joy.” Our giving is part of that same witness—a joyful response to God’s victory over death. Let us offer our gifts, our lives, and our hope to the risen Christ.

## OFFERTORY

“Jubilate Deo”

Jubilate Choir

*(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

Risen Lord, receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and use them to proclaim your life-giving love. As you met the women on the road, meet us in our giving, that we may serve you with joy, share your good news with courage, and live as witnesses to your resurrection.  
**Amen.**

*(You may be seated)*

## SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28:1-10

28 After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup>For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." <sup>8</sup>So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup>Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: **Thanks be to God**

## SERMON

"Hi"

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.**

## GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Page 12 Blue Hymnal)

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,

with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, 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 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**

...With thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service.

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.**

*(We celebrate communion by intinction. Please come forward, dip a piece of bread in the cup, and partake.*

*Gluten-free elements are available on the side tables. You may consume the bread and wine upon returning to your seat. )*

### **COMMUNION HYMN**

*"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

## **HYMN**

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” (Please sing when directed)

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!  
Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!  
Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!  
Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

## **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**

Go forth with the joy of the women who ran from the empty tomb. Go forth with the courage of those who heard the words, “Do not be afraid.” Go forth with the hope of the risen Christ who meets you on the way. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you now and always. **Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION** by Philip Loewen

May the peace of the Lord be in your heart as you go, and through the days to come, there abide. May He lead you that in your life His will may be done; the Spirit of the Lord be your guide. May God's love always lift you, in His mercy, comfort give, as through life's joys and trials, you roam. May our Father in heaven bless His children each day, 'til the day He calls His children home. Amen.



**Prayer Concerns:**

Robin Haug  
Ron Vickery  
Izzy  
Ed Laguardia  
Dawn Park  
Sue Ellen Nolan  
Family & friends of Steve Weirback  
Family of Madeline Schollmeyer  
Family of Rich McNeeley  
Bill M.  
Wanda Warwick  
Tony Witkosky  
Jessica Hess

Edna Reiss  
Tom Curfman  
Mick & Larry Arnold  
Karen Deloia  
Jerry Furr  
Kim Roberts  
Cyndee Carr  
Karin Hart  
Crystal Ceneviva  
Tom Ceneviva  
Rhonda Auman  
Maria D. Andres  
Dave Cochran

**Ongoing Concerns:**

Debbie Watson  
Charles Sutton  
Connie Reisinger  
Rima Mironas  
Cathy Shaheen  
David Rankin  
Debbie Edwards  
Kerry Zimmerman

**NEW MEMBERS: Sunday April 26th 10:30 In the Lounge**

What does it mean to belong to a church? Whether you have worshiped with us in person at Neshaminy-Warwick, Presbyterian Church, or you have met us through online worship, we invite you to consider uniting with our congregation through membership. We'd be delighted to include you in our family of faith. If you have additional questions, please reach out to Pastor Mark. Even if you are not sure about membership, you are welcome to come and learn more about the church.



## MOMENT IN HISTORY

1776 Four of Rev Beatty's sons were all officers in the army feeling drawn to patriotic service of their country during the war of Independence. The eldest son John, whom rose to the rank of Major, was taken prisoner at the surrender of Fort Washington in Manhattan, New York. Son Charles was commissioned as an officer in a Pennsylvania regiment. A third son, Reading, was also taken prisoner at the surrender of Fort Washington. A fourth son, Erkuries, narrowly escaped great danger when attacked by the enemy. His name was coined by Rev Beatty from the Greek E (from) and Kurios (the Lord).

### NEXT MEN'S GROUP MEETING, APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup> at 6pm

We invite you to join us in the lounge for our engaging monthly Men's Group. This gathering provides an opportunity for meaningful conversation and connection. We will continue our journey through Dr. Iain Provan's book, *Seriously Dangerous Religion: What the Old Testament Really Says and Why It Matters*. Our focus will be on the chapter titled *It Isn't Natural – Why Do Evil and Suffering Mark the World?* We look forward to an engaging discussion as we explore these important themes together.

### WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY 10 am Auditorium

#### Strength to Love by Martin Luther King Jr.

*"If there is one book Martin Luther King, Jr. has written that people consistently tell me has changed their lives, it is Strength to Love." Coretta Scott King*

During our Bible study in this season of Epiphany, we will reflect on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s famous book, *Strength to Love*. Dr. King believed that real change in society starts when people courageously choose to do what is right. He wrote, "By reaching into and beyond ourselves and tapping the transcendent moral ethic of love, we shall overcome these evils." The short sermons and messages in this book were written during hard times, some even while Dr. King was in jail. Through his words, he shares his strong commitment to justice and explains how important it is to change our minds and hearts. His sermons serve as an excellent guide for Christians, both in his era and in ours.

### PHILLIES VS. MIAMI GAME

Tuesday, August 18, 2026

Phillies vs. Miami Dolphins

Price per person \$66.00

### SIGHT AND SOUND THEATRE "JOSHUA"

Tuesday, November 10, 2026

(If 30 people \$180.00 pp, If 40 people \$165.00 pp)

Includes motor coach, ticket, and gratuities

Includes lunch at Fulton Steamboat Inn

## EASTER LILIES DONATED

BY:

Mary-Martha Circle

Sarah Circle

In loving memory of our parents from Gordon & Gail Bilsland.

In loving memory of my son, Michael from Leslie Bonner.

In loving memory of Mark Hennessy from his family.

In memory of James R. Flick, Sr. from James R. Flick, Jr.

In memory of my parents Mary & Joe Kaelin from Peg Kaelin.

For all the saints from the Kreischers.

In memory of loved ones from Karen Ludwig.

In memory of loved ones from Marge Louderback.

In memory of Karen Meade, the mom we loved, given by Katie Meade and her family.

In memory of Karen Meade from her daughter, Melissa Meade.

In memory of Thomas Potts, Jr., father of Melissa Meade.

In memory of Richard Potts, brother of Melissa Meade.

In memory of loved ones from the Miller Family.

In memory of our daughter, Krissy Millin from Jan & Don Millin.

In celebration of our granddaughters, Emma and Izzy DeChristopher from Jan & Don Millin.

In loving memory of loved ones from Suzanne Pearce.

In memory of Gertrude, Louis, Marian, Sam, and Warren Smith from their family.

In memory of loved ones from Eloyce Sturgeon.

Happy Blessings at Easter.



# 8th Annual WKM Golf Outing Five Ponds Golf Club

Benefiting West Kensington Ministry



**Monday, May 11, 2026**

Best Ball / Scramble Format

9:45 a.m. Shot-Gun Start

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



**Donation: \$190.00 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.net](http://www.westkensingtonministry.net)  
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)  
Joe Porter – [josephporter1011@gmail.com](mailto:josephporter1011@gmail.com)

## THIS WEEK AT NESHAMINY

SUNDAY—Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge

—Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary He has risen!

—Food & Fellowship 10:15 am Auditorium

MONDAY—Office Closed

TUESDAY—Staff Meeting 2 pm Lounge

—WholyFit 6:30 pm Auditorium

WEDNESDAY—Bible Study 10 am Auditorium

—Girl Scout Troop 6 pm Youth Room

THURSDAY—Choir Rehearsal 7 pm Choir Room

—WTHA Meeting 2 pm Lounge

SUNDAY—Prayer Group 8:30 am Lounge

—Worship Service 9 am Sanctuary

—Food & Fellowship 10:15 am Auditorium

—Men's Group 6 pm Lounge

### WAYS TO GIVE



**ONLINE:**

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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

### Church Staff

Rev. Mark Lyndaker-Studer, Pastor

Donna Mazeika, Director of Children & Youth

Valerie Pendrak, Director of Youth Ministries

Lisa Ceraso, Director of Children's Ministries

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.