

Worship for the Lord's Day

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

* Denotes all may stand if possible

Greetings & Announcements

Refrain: God is good / *All the time* / All the time / *God is good*

Prelude – *Praise To The Lord, The Almighty* by David Paxton

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading, *Psalms 103:1-12*, pew Bible N.T., p. 637

Call to Worship (*from Psalm 62*)

From God comes my salvation.

For God alone my soul waits in silence.

God alone is my rock and my salvation.

God is my fortress; I shall never be shaken.

*Hymn #263 – *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Prayer of Confession in Response to God's Grace

Forgiving God, we repent of all the ways we turn from you. You call, but we do not listen; you show us your path, but we prefer our own way. Forgive us, heal us, and lead us back to you, that we might show mercy to others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Response – *As the Deer* arranged by Cota

Joybells Handbell Choir

*Passing of the Peace:

Leader: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Word in Music – *Come, Thou Fount* arranged by Craig Courtney

Chancel Choir

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.
Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.
O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

Children's Message

*At this time, the children are invited to Children's Church.
They will return after the sermon.*

Minute for Mission – Bolivia

Dan Forsberg

Second Scripture Reading, *Matthew 18: 23-34*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1047

Sermon – *Surprise Endings*

The Rev. David Hunter

*Song of Praise (on insert) – *This is Amazing Grace*

by Josh Farro, Phil Wickham & Jeamy Riddle

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (*"Forgive us our sins"*)

Presentation of Offerings (If you haven't already, please pass the Friendship pads.)

Offertory – *Where He Leads Me* arranged by Cindy Berry

***Doxology, Hymn #592**

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING OUT THE WORD

*Hymn #345 – *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude – *Jubilate Deo* by George Blake

January 21, 2018

CHURCH OFFICERS		
(Note: date indicates term concludes 12-31 of the year listed.)		
ELDERS		
Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2020
Nancy Donatelli	Todd Cole	Randy Brown
Tawnee Hunter	Wendy Farmerie	Dan Forsberg
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Daniel Tennant	Cathy Smith	Marybeth Vavithes
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Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2020
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AUDITORS		
2018 - Carolyn Cuff	2019 - Jack Reed	2020 - Jessica Maret

PLEASE NOTE: There will NOT be ANY children or youth Sunday School classes next Sunday, January 28th. Many of our children and youth and some of our teachers will be attending the All Church Retreat. Adults, please check with your Sunday School teacher or coordinator to learn if your class is meeting. We'll be back to our regular class schedule in February!

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS are needed for 2018. A SIGNUP SHEET is located in the Church Nursery with Marilyn Reeher for any adult (including Dads and Grandpas) willing to spend an occasional hour loving and serving our youngest children. Please stop by to see available dates. Clearances are necessary for new volunteers and can be obtained free of charge. For assistance with clearances, contact Linda Black. Thank you.

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Today

Sunday, January 21, 2018

- 9:30am Sunday School Classes for all ages
 10:30am **Worship**
 11:30am Prayer Team Meeting, Lillian Martin Room
 11:30am ♥ Alternative Gifts Valentines, Ligo Room

♥ **Alternative Gifts Valentines**, a program annually sponsored by our Mission Committee, begins today and continues through February 11th. Find the order form here in the bulletin and committee members are in the Ligo Room. ♥

- 11:30am Kids Club Registration, Ligo Room
 6pm SHYG, Youth Room

This Week

Tuesday (23)

- 5:30pm Joybells Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
 6pm JHYG (Junior High Youth Group), Social Hall
 7pm Carillon Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
 7pm AA Meeting, balcony-Room 309 (at the top of the stairs)

Wednesday (24)

- noon Staff Brown Bag Lunch meeting, Room 206

Thursday (25)

- 5pm Sweet Survivors, Ryder's Restaurant (*See insert.*)
 6pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
 7:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Friday (26) – All Church Retreat begins at 6pm

Saturday (27) – All Church Retreat

Next Sunday

Sunday, January 28, 2018 – All Church Retreat concludes

- No Sunday School Classes for children & youth. (*See announcement.*)
 10:30am **Worship**
 11:45am ♥ Alternative Gifts Valentines, Ligo Room
 6pm SHYG, Youth Room

The Annual All-Church Retreat is Friday evening, January 26 - Sunday the 28th at noon, at the Life Ministries "Castle" in Franklin PA. Everyone is welcome, including those who can only join us for part of the weekend. **Registration forms and packets are available in the Ligo Room.** Questions? See Kristen Phillips. Please come - it is always a great time!



Announcements

KIDS CLUB

Kids Club is an after-school gathering for children in Kindergarten through fifth grade. Kids Club includes time for students to play and eat an after-school snack before diving into biblical lessons taught through storytelling, music and creative expression.

Transportation via church van is available. The new semester of Kids Club begins January 30th. We meet from 3:30-5:30pm on Tuesday each week. **New friends are always welcome!**

Register TODAY (Tomorrow is the deadline to return forms.) Forms are available in the Ligo Room after church and in the Volunteer Receptionist office tomorrow. Contact Linda Black if you have any questions!



NWPC Preschool Registration for 2018-2019 school year will begin on February 1, and is on a current enrollment then first come, first serve basis. Children who will turn 3 by 9/1/2018 will be enrolled in the class that meets on Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30-11:30am. Children who will turn 4 by 9/1/2018 will be enrolled in the class that meets on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:30am-noon. Application packets containing more information are available in the literature racks throughout the church or at www.nwpcpresby.org under the preschool tab. If you have any questions contact the Director, Jill Mook Wilson (724-699-2775 or nwpcpreschool@gmail.com).

From Treasurer Kay Taylor: 2018 offering envelopes are in the Ligo Room. Please save postage and take yours with you.

WHAT IS PER CAPITA? WHY SHOULD I PAY IT? Per capita is the amount of money per member that our congregation pays to our local Presbytery and larger church. This money is part of the glue that holds Presbyterians together. It is the money that enables us to work with other Presbyterian churches in our presbytery and across the country. It is also money that allows us to work with other churches to further the mission of Jesus Christ around the world.

The Per Capita for 2018 is \$38.09 per member. By contributing your portion of per capita, you free up dollars in our regular budget for the work of our congregation in this community. If you haven't yet contributed, we hope you will consider doing so.

Our Mission Focus for the month of January is Bolivia.



The NWPC-Bolivian connection began, one could say, right here in town. Paul & Lucinda Bentley are our mission partners in Bolivia. The New Wilmington Mission Conference brought Lucinda's parents, missionaries Otis and Wilma Rowe to town where they were supported by the Presbyterian Women's Organization for years. When the PWO was no longer able to support their cause, the Mission Committee of NWPC took up supporting their work. The Rowe's had a house here in town which they used for respite and allowed others in similar situations to live there. Lucinda became a member of NWPC in 1971.

Paul and Lucinda worked in Maine planting churches before receiving the call to mission work in Bolivia in January 1984. In Bolivia they have worked in evangelism, church planting, Bible Institute teaching among the Quechua people, established a Quechua radio station, and helped establish a clinic for low income Quechuas. Paul is presently the Regional Leader of Pioneers for the Americas Region, continuing to live and operate out of Bolivia. This role entails oversight of 4 Pioneer Areas encompassing South America, Mid Americas, Canada and the US Area of Immigrants/Internationals. Paul's duties in Bolivia include coordination with the work of Radio "Mosoj Chaski". They broadcast programs in the Quechua language including Bible teaching, music, agriculture, community health, literacy, etc. over shortwave radio 8 hours a day to all of Bolivia, parts of Peru, Chile and Argentina. The Mosoj Chaski ministry of an itinerant Quechua Bible School has expanded and needs more trainers. Lucinda teaches Bible studies and works caring for 52 kids of sex trade workers, and evangelizes in that very needy and troubled section of Cochabamba. Their role in leadership will take Paul and Lucinda on multiple trips to many parts of the two American continents in the coming year. They have 3 adult married children. Donnie & Jodi are workers in the Middle East. James & Joy are working in improving the agriculture and health of severely malnourished children in a rural area of Guatemala. Christina & Pablo Garcia are now living and working in Seattle, Washington.



We were privileged to host the Bentley's here on Sunday, June 26, 2016 when they were back in the US. Paul was our guest preacher that day.

If you are a guest today we pray that God will bless you through your presence with us. Please sign the pew pad, including contact information, so we may welcome you.

Assistance for worship is available including large print bulletins and hymnals. We also have personal audio receivers that provide sound amplification.

Childcare: The Nursery for babies and toddlers (infants-age 2) is located through the side doors of the sanctuary to the left of the pulpit area. "Thanks" to **Marilyn Reeher** for staffing our Nursery and to **Jodi Garrett** for assisting today.

Children's Church is a gathering where children engage a Bible story in a creative and developmentally focused way. There are two groups: preschool and kindergarten students go to the NWPC Preschool Room, #216; students in 1st - 3rd grades are in the Children's Church Room, #213. Teachers are **Joel & Jill Postema** and **Diane Camlin**.

Greeting you this morning at the main entrance is the Buly family – Matthew and Lauri and their 2 sons, Brooks and Brinn. Matthew is a superintendent for Swank Construction where he has worked for 16 years, and Lauri is a stay at home mom. Both are graduates of Wilmington Area High School and enjoy spending time with family and friends, especially riding dirt bikes when free time permits. Lauri enjoys teaching the Preschool Sunday School Class at NWPC.

We welcome Rev. Dave Hunter today and thank him for his leadership in worship.

The flowers this morning are given in honor of Bill & Connie Halttunen by their children Anne and Richard, and grandchildren, Sarah, David, and Matthew.

The pink rosebud celebrates the birth of Riley Anna Johnston on January 16, 2018. She is the daughter of Steve & Ashley Johnston. Her big sisters are Abby and Sadie. Her NWPC grandparents are Lyle & Sandy Johnston.

We are very pleased to have our middle school students serve as **acolytes** in worship. This morning **Sam Mistretta** and **Noah Postema** are lighting the candles.

The 2018 Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board by the southeast door (near the Ligo Room). Please sign up now for dates important to you. Particularly needed are Sundays in February and March. The cost remains at \$30. Questions? Please contact the church office, 724-946-3541.

