

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 – *Psalm 42 (Freu dich sehr)* by Alfred V. Fedak

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading, *Mark 1:21-28*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1064

Call to Worship (*from Psalm 111*)

Come! Let us give thanks to the Lord with whole hearts.

Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Glory be to the One whose wonders are to be remembered.

Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

The Lord feeds the righteous with truth.

Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Come! Let us give thanks to God.

*Hymn #455 – *All Creatures of Our God and King* (verses 1, 5 & 6)

Prayer of Confession in Response to God's Grace

Holy God, we confess that we are unable to do your will. We protect what is familiar and reject what is unknown. We admire those with courage but excuse ourselves when we falter from the truth. We forget that you are always with us, and that with you all things are possible. Forgive us, lead us, make us new. Remove our desire to heed false prophets, and show us your way; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Response – *Show Me Your Ways* by Russell Fragar

Show me Your ways that I may walk with You.

Show me Your ways, I put my hope in You.

The cry of my heart is to love You more,

To live with the touch of Your hand,

Stronger each day, show me Your ways. (REPEAT)

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*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 – *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* by J.S. Bach

Chancel Choir

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, Holy wisdom, Love most bright,

Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light.

Word of God our flesh that fashion'd with the fire of life impassion'd.

Striving still to Truth unknown, soaring, dying, round Thy throne.

Sermon – *Man of Mystery: A Poorly-Kept Secret*

The Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Camlin

*Song of Praise (on insert) – *Cornerstone* by Jonas Myrin, Reuben Morgan,
Eric Liljero and William Batchelder Bradbury

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 – *God Will Take Care of You* arranged by Cindy Berry

***Doxology, Hymn #592**

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING OUT THE WORD

*Hymn #335 – *Though I May Speak*

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude – *Marvelous Is Thy Name* by Robert Hughes

Worship Notes

January 28, 2018

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 **Janice Farmerie** for assisting today. There is **no Children’s Church** today due to the All Church Retreat.

Greeting you this morning at the main entrance are **Wendy Farmerie** and **Mary James**.

The flowers this morning are given in loving memory of Dr. Charles S. MacKenzie.

We are very pleased to have our middle school students serve as **acolytes** in worship. This morning **Micah Shelenberger** and **Will Bruckner** are lighting the candles.

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.



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.

Come let us celebrate God's faithfulness to our church and its ministry during the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, February 11. We will worship together using an abbreviated order, and then begin our annual meeting. In addition to receiving the 2017 Annual Report, two at-large members of the 2018 Nominating Committee will be elected. As you read the written annual report, which will be available prior to the meeting, and have specific questions please contact Clerk of Session Scott McGrath, mcgrathnw@icloud.com. Our elders value your concerns and ideas.

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Announcements



Several more “**BACKLESS BOOSTER SEATS**” are needed for our church van for Kids Club transportation. If you have one that you can donate OR loan to NWPC during January through March, please contact Linda Black (linda@nwpresby.org). This will help us safely transport "big kids" from 40- 100 lbs. and up to 57 inches tall (ages 5 - 10 years).

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.nwpresby.org under the preschool tab. If you have any questions contact the Director, Jill Mook Wilson (724-699-2775 or nwpcpreschool@gmail.com).



From Church Treasurer Kay Taylor:

1. **2018 offering envelopes** are in the Ligo Room. Please save postage and take yours with you.
2. Please return your **2018 Pledge Card**. If you have misplaced yours, pledge cards are available in the Ligo Room, next to the offering envelopes. If you prefer, you may send it via email to our treasurer, kay@nwpresby.org.
3. **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 2018 Per Capita 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.

Announcements continued,



Annual Spaghetti Dinner which benefits New Wilmington Boy Scout Troop 733 will be Saturday, February 10, 2018 from 4-7 pm, in the NWPC Social Hall. Adults=\$8.00, children ages 3-12=\$4.00, under 3 free. Take-outs will be available.

Westminster College 31st Annual Wayne H. Christy Memorial Lecture will take place on Sunday, February 11, at 7pm in Wallace Memorial Chapel. Eight-time All American swimmer and secondary school administrator Shauna Braun Zukowski, '92, will speak on her experiences as an educator, administrator, wife, mother and survivor of a ruptured brain aneurysm. This event is free and open to the public.

The Wayne H. Christy Memorial Lecture series honors the late Dr. Christy, who was a long-time faculty member and chair of the Department of Religion and Philosophy at Westminster College. As Dr. Christy dedicated his life to relating the heritage of faith to the emerging issues of a changing culture, the lecture series seeks out men and women who distinguish themselves by relating Christian faith to issues of contemporary life. Also, Dr. Christy, his wife Lola, daughters Lo Ann and Ronee were all active members of NWPC.

Westminster College also invites the community to the following events:

- Monday, February 12th, 7pm, in Wallace Memorial Chapel a movie presentation, “Under African Skies”. This movie tells the incredible story behind Paul Simon’s Graceland and features the upcoming WC Spiritual Emphasis speaker Bakithi Kumalo.
- Sunday, February 18th, 7pm, in Wallace Memorial Chapel Grammy Award winning bassist/singer/songwriter & speaker Bakithi Kumalo will share his experiences: “Take Chances, Have Courage” Special music: South African All Stars.
- Monday, February 19th, 7pm in Orr Auditorium a concert performed by Bakithi Kumalo and the South African All Stars: Morris Goldberg, Rodney Harris & David Bravo. There is admission charge of \$10/person.

NWPC will be privileged to have Bakithi Kumalo and the South African All Stars share their faith through music during worship Sunday morning, February 18th.

The next **American Red Cross Community Blood Drive** takes place on Monday, February 19th, 1-6:30pm, here at NWPC, in Rooms 214 & 215.

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.



Today

Sunday, January 28, 2018 – All Church Retreat concludes

10:30am **Worship**

11:45am ♥ Alternative Gifts Valentines, Ligo Room

This Week

Tuesday (30)

3:30pm Kids Club begins again, Social Hall

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 (31)

7pm Reconciliation Steering Committee, Room 206

Thursday (February 1)

6pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room

7:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Next Sunday

Sunday, February 4, 2018

9:30am Sunday School Classes for all ages.

10:30am **Worship - Communion**

11:45am ♥ Alternative Gifts Valentines, Ligo Room

11:45am SHYG Take-Out Soup Sale, Ligo Room *(See announcement below.)*

6pm SHYG, Youth Room



SHYG TAKE-OUT SOUP SALE:

Next Sunday, February 4th, following worship, delicious soup will be available for you to take home to enjoy: chicken noodle, vegetable, and potato. All donations will support the SHYG 2018 Summer Mission Trip. *Thank you.*