

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 – *Prelude* by Louis Nicolas Clerambault (1676-1749)

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading, *Numbers 21:4-9*, pew Bible O.T., p. 164

Call to Worship (*from Hebrews 12:2-3*, NIV):

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

the author and perfecter of our faith,

who for the joy set before him endured the cross,

scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God.

Let us consider him who endured such opposition from sinful people, so that we will not grow weary and lose heart.

*Hymn #485 – *To God Be The Glory*

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession:

God of compassion,

in Jesus Christ you did not disdain the company of sinners but welcomed them with love.

Look upon us in mercy, we pray.

Our sins are more than we can bear;

our pasts enslave us; our misdeeds are beyond correcting. Forgive the wrongs we cannot undo;

free us from a past we cannot change;

heal what we can no longer fix.

Grace our lives with your love and turn the tears of our past into the joys of new life with you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Response – *Holy Spirit Rain Down* by Russell Fragar

Holy Spirit rain down, rain down;

O Comforter and Friend, how we need Your touch again;

Holy Spirit rain down, rain down;

Let Your power fall, let Your voice be heard;

Come change our hearts as we stand on Your Word;

Holy Spirit, rain down. CCLI License #1116973

*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 children are invited to Children's Church at this time.

They will return after the sermon.

The Word in Music – *Sun of My Soul* arranged by Tom Fettke

Chancel Choir

Sun of my soul Thou Savior dear, it is not night if Thou be near;

O may no earth born cloud arise to hide Thee from Thy servant's eyes.

Abide with me from morn till eve, for without Thee I cannot live.

Abide with me when night is nigh, for without Thee I dare not die.

Come near and bless us when we wake, e're through the world our way we take;

Till, in the ocean of Thy love, we lose ourselves in heav'n above.

Second Scripture Reading, *John 3:14-21*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1130

Sermon – *So Must the Son of Man Be Lifted Up*

The Rev. Brad Walters

*Song of Praise (on insert) – *This Kingdom* by Geoff Bullock

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

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

Offertory – *Room At The Cross For You* by Ira F. Stanphill

**Doxology, Hymn #592*

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*Hymn #76 – *My Song Is Love Unknown*

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude – *Awake, My Heart* by J.S. Bach

March 11, 2018

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(Note: date indicates term concludes 12-31 of the year listed.)		
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THE DATES HAVE CHANGED:

Vacation Bible School
June 11 – 15, 2018

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Worship Notes



Dominican
Republic

In the month of March we are focusing on the Dominican Republic as we send out another mission team to Sabaneta de Yásica. 2018 is the 26th year of medical, building, and educational partnership with the congregations in and around Sabaneta de Yásica.

We ask that our congregation keep the team members in their prayers to provide a safe, effective, and productive mission trip this week.

2018 NWPC & Westminster College Mission Trip Members:

Afton Camlin, Rev. Matt Camlin, Sandra Davis,

Chance Harms-Robinson, Marite' Haynes, Linda McGrath,

Christine Parish & Will Parish, Joel Postema, Noah Postema,

Don Shelenberger, Jessica Shelenberger, Micah Shelenberger

Rachael Zahn (WC Alum), Bridget Herlihy (WC),

Katelynn Morrell (WC) and Madison Ordonez (WC)

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 **Meridee Bair** 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. Today's teacher is **Stephany Bruckner**.

Greeting you this morning at the main entrance are **Lisa Lodie** and **Fran Sharp**. **Lisa** is retired and looking forward to visiting her sisters and for them to visit her. **Fran** has been a member here since 1958. She is a retired Registered Nurse.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the life of Wendell 'Don' Wilson.

Lenten Worship Bags – for parents worshipping with children ages 4 to 8 or 9 years of age: Worship Bags, one per family, can be picked up on one of the tables in the Ligo Room for your child/children to use during worship during the Lenten season. A note in the bag explains what is within the bag for your child to keep and what should be returned in the bag at the end of the service. The bags will be replenished each Sunday of Lent.

We are very pleased to have our middle school students serve as **acolytes** in worship. Today **Emily Arblaster** and **Stephannie Klamut** are lighting the candles.

A New Members Class will be offered on Sunday, April 15, following worship.

Today

Sunday, March 11, 2018

9:30am Sunday School Classes for all ages

10:30am Worship

11:45am Narnia Event for 4th-6th Grade Sunday School Class

6 pm SHYG (Senior High Youth Group), Youth Room

This Week

Monday (12) SHYG Pizza Joe Fundraiser—*please use coupon in the bulletin*

Tuesday (13)

3:30pm Kids Club, 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 (14) Deadline for ordering Easter flowers—*form is in bulletin*

Thursday (15)

6 - 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room

7 - 8pm “*The Week That Shook The World*” Tenebrae Rehearsal

8pm Worship Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Friday (16)

6pm New Wilmington Mission Conference Spring Board Dinner & Meeting
Social Hall and Room 214

Saturday (17)

9am New Wilmington Mission Conference Spring Board Meeting, Room 214

Next Sunday

Sunday, March 18, 2018

9:30am Sunday School Classes for all ages

10:30am Worship

6 pm SHYG (Senior High Youth Group), Youth Room

7pm 2018 Christy Lecture, Westminster College, Wallace Memorial Chapel
(See announcement, next page.)

MEMO to Church Officers—Next Sunday, March 18th Greeters:

<u>N.W. Door</u>	<u>S.W. Door</u>	<u>N.E. Door</u>	<u>S.E. Door</u>
(by Ramp)	(Maple & Market corner)	(by Nursery)	(by Church Library)
Joan Dawson	Karen Wallace	Joanne Wilson	Charlene List

Holy Week

March 25, NWPC Palm Sunday Service – 10:30am, *The Week that Shook the World* written by Karen Latta and Marian Fairman. The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be received – *see insert*.

March 29, Maundy Thursday Communion Service – 7pm, here at NWPC

March 30, Good Friday Tenebrae Service – 7pm, at the New Wilmington United Methodist Church, 125 S. Mercer Street;

April 1, Easter Sunday Service – 10:30am, NWPC sanctuary

Announcements

SALT, Sunday morning class, is reading and discussing *Creative Faith, Religion as a Way of Worldmaking*, by Don Cupitt. In this book Cupitt proposes a shift in emphasis in Christian practice from self-purification to ethical rigor, a shift from a heaven-obsessed theology (to) a new theology of moral striving. No longer need Christians aim to conserve the self, preparing for eternity: they must simply expend it, by living generously. SALT meets in the southwest alcove of the social hall. All are welcome.

Sweet Survivors meets Thursday, March 22nd, 5pm, at Ryder’s Restaurant. Please contact Janet Imbornone if planning to attend at jsimbornone107@hotmail.com or 724-698-7597.

A New Members Class will be offered on Sunday, April 15, following worship. Please contact the church office, 724-946-3541 / office@nwpresby.org, if you are interested in participating.

Westminster College 2018 Christy Lecture Speaker:

This will be a return engagement for Shauna Braun Zukowski (’92) as she comes to campus as the guest speaker for the 31st Annual Wayne H. Christy Memorial Lecture on Sunday, March 18th, 2018, 7pm, at Wallace Memorial Chapel. She is an educator, swim coach and school administrator. 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. 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. Dr. Christy and his family have all been active members of New Wilmington Presbyterian Church.