

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 – *Cornet Voluntary* by Henry Heron (18th century)

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading, *1 John 4:7-21*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1304

Call to Worship

In the wilderness, water brings life.

Seek us out, O God, and take us to the water.

In the Word of God, the good news gives light.

Seek us out, O God, and fill us with understanding.

In the bread and the wine, the body of our Savior nourishes everyone.

Seek us out, O God, and give us yourself.

Here is the water of life, the word that feeds, the food of eternity.

Come and praise the vine that gives all goodness.

Hymn #527 – *Near to the Heart of God*

Prayer of Confession in Response to God's Grace

God of mercy, we confess that we have not borne the fruit of the Spirit. We have not loved others as you have loved us. We have denied the promises of baptism and cut ourselves off from you. Forgive us, restore us, that we may abide in your love and live out your mercy, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*Response – *Change My Heart, Oh God* by Eddie Espinosa

Change my heart oh God, Make it ever true.

Change my heart oh God, May I be like You. (2x)

You are the potter, I am the clay,

Mold me and make me, This is what I pray.

Change my heart oh God, Make it ever true.

Change my heart oh God, May I be like You.

*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 -

Chancel Choir

Lord, I Know I Been Changed arranged by Larry Shackley

Lord, I know I been changed. Angels in heaven done signed my name.

If you don't believe that I have been redeemed

(the angels in heaven done signed my name)

Then follow me down to that ol' Jordan stream...

I went to the river and the water was cold...

It chilled my body but not my soul...

Children's Message

Debbie Krawchyk

At this time, the children are invited to Children's Church.

They will return after the sermon.

Second Scripture Reading, *Acts 8:26-40*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1166-1167

Sermon – *Whose Conversion?*

The Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Camlin

Song of Praise (on insert), *Lion of Judah* by Robin Mark

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayers of the People

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

Offertory

Angela Renninger

**Doxology, Hymn #592*

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*Hymn #343 – *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude – *God Gave To Us This Glorious Day* by J. S. Bach

Worship Notes

April 29, 2018
Congregational Meeting

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 **Linda Black** for assisting today. **Children’s Church** is a gathering where children (preschool through 3rd grade) engage with a Bible story in a creative and developmentally focused way. The group meets in the Children’s Church Room, #213. Today’s teachers are **Jill & Joel Postema** and **Diane Camlin**.

Greeting you at the main entrance are **Sue Goodwin** and **Ruth Ann Mansell**. **Sue** has been a NWPC member for 10 years. While a Deacon, she served as their secretary. Sue has 2 children: Kristin lives in New Wilmington; Scott & his wife Christi live in Pittsburgh. Sue has 4 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. She is a retired teacher and enjoys gardening, cooking, exercising and reading. **Ruth Ann** first joined NWPC in 1955 and rejoined in 1975 when she married Dr. John Mansell. She is a graduate of Westminster College and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. She has been actively involved with NWMC and is chair of the Board of Shenango Presbyterian SeniorCare. For several years Ruth Ann headed up VBS, taught Bible studies, and was involved in our mission to the Dominican Republic. Mother of 6 and grandmother of 28, she also has 7 great grands.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of Melvin T. Hanna, with love from the Hanna Family.

Playing the offertory today is Angela Renninger. She is an “adopted daughter” of Kay & Chuck Wiley through our UKirk program. In addition to playing in worship, Angela has also shared her musical gifts with our Church Chums worship services at Shenango on the Green. Angela is currently a senior music major at Westminster and will graduate next December. She will be performing her senior recital on May 6th at 3:30pm in the chapel. *Thank you, Angela.*

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

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The Session has approved a Congregational Meeting for today, in the sanctuary immediately following worship for the purpose of electing and installing officers.

Today

Sunday (29)

- 9:30am Sunday School Classes for all ages
- 10:30am Worship
- 11:30am Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
- 6pm SHYG (Senior High Youth Group), Youth Room

This Week

Tuesday (May 1)

- 5:30pm Joybells Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6pm JHYG (Junior High Youth Group), Social Hall
- 7pm Carillon Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 7pm Trustee Meeting, Room 214
- 7pm AA Meeting, balcony-Room 309 (at the top of the stairs)

Wednesday (2)

- 5pm Worship Committee Meeting, Room 206
- 7pm Deacons Meeting, Room 214

Thursday (3)

- No Chancel Choir Rehearsal this week
- 7:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Saturday (5) Church Work Day – inside & out! 9am-noon
All hands needed! (Childcare provided.)

Next Sunday

Sunday (6) Graduate Recognition Sunday

- 9:30am Sunday School Classes for all ages
- 10:30am Worship
- 11:30am Good Race Lunch and Workshop *(See blue insert.)*
- 11:30am UKirk Luncheon, Social Hall *(See announcement.)*
- 6:30pm SHYG (Senior High Youth Group), Youth Room

MEMO to Church Officers—Next Sunday, May 6 th Greeters:			
N.W. Door	S.W. Door	N.E. Door	S.E. Door
(by Ramp)	(Maple & Market corner)	(by Nursery)	(by Church Library)
SHYG	SHYG	SHYG	SHYG



India is our focus on mission for the month of May as we now display this country's flag in the chancel. Further information regarding our congregation's involvement with Witnessing Ministries in Christ in India will be coming in the following weeks.

Announcements

All college students and adopting parents: Mark your calendars! On Sunday May 6th we will be recognizing our college seniors in worship and in fellowship with a lunch after church in the Social Hall.

Look & Take! Pictures of various NWPC groups and activities from the mid 1990's to approximately 2005 can be found on one of the round tables in the Ligo Room. Come take a look and please take any you find of yourself/family or a happy memory.

Also, on another table there are "Lost & Found" items left here at the church. Please check to discover if you find something you lost!!

Attention Parents:

Graduate Recognition Sunday for all graduates is next Sunday, May 6th, during worship.

If your son/daughter is receiving **a post high school degree** this spring, please inform the Church Office.

Use the tear off slip below or contact office@nwpresby.org or 724-946-3541, ASAP so that he/she may be recognized.

 Graduate's name _____
 School / university _____
 Degree _____ Major _____

You are invited to attend the ordination of **Carolyn Fenner Moss** as Minister of Word and Sacrament on **Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.** at Slippery Rock Presbyterian Church, 258 Slippery Rock Drive, Ellwood City, PA 16117.

Carolyn, along with her husband Howard and their children Caitlin and Zachary, has been **active in the life of NWPC since they joined in 2003**. Carolyn sang for many years in our chancel choir. She served six years on session, during which time she chaired the Nominating Committee and the Worship & Music Committee – now the Divine Encounter Committee.

Carolyn is a **1988 graduate of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary** but at that time she was not pursuing a ministry vocation. In recent years, beginning with a **mission trip to Southeast Asia in 2010**, Carolyn began to **feel God's call into pastoral ministry**. Over the past three years, Carolyn came under care of our session as she went through the process of preparation for ordination.

This past year Carolyn preached at Rich Hill Presbyterian Church as well as other churches around the Presbytery as she prepared for her pastoral ministry.

Join us in celebrating with Carolyn and her family on April 29th!

There will be a celebration of the life of Bill Brocklebank on Sunday, May 6th at 2pm at Christ Lutheran Church, 396 Buhl Boulevard, Sharon, PA 16146. A dessert reception and time of fellowship will follow.

As many already know, Bill joined the church triumphant on February 25, 2018. If anyone wishes to share a story about Bill, come prepared to do this or feel free to write it down and send it to Christ Lutheran Church Office for someone else to read it to the gathering that day.

Bill was the NWPC organist for many years.



IT'S NOT TOO EARLY!

Now is the Time to Register for Summer Camps and Conferences:

Are you looking for up-to-date information and links for camps and conferences for your child? Visit our church website, <http://nwpresby.org/growing/summercamps>. Under the "Growing" tab, you will find a brief description and link to several of the camps in our area. Also listed are the names of families who have had experience as "happy campers" at that location!

The Deacons would like to give each child from NWPC who is going to a faith-based summer camp, other than missionary conference, **a \$100 gift** towards attending camp this year! If your child has signed up for camp already, or is planning to sign up, please notify Alex Schroder at alexandraligotaylor@gmail.com or [724-714-1770](tel:724-714-1770) and we can give you more information! Thank you!



**VBS Registration
begins May 20th**