

# 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 – *He Is Exalted* arranged by Mark Hayes

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading – *John 6:51-58*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1135

Call to Worship

The God of wisdom sent Jesus Christ, the bread of life,  
to teach us his ways, feed us with his flesh and blood,  
and fill us with the Holy Spirit.

***Thanks be to God!***

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

***Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!***

\* Hymn #261 – *God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us*

Prayer of Confession in Response to God's Grace

***All-knowing God, we are your children, but we have turned away from your wisdom and walked in our own ways. We have lived carelessly and squandered time. We have been foolish and failed to understand your will. We have been drunk with the wine of this world and debauched in our own desires. Purge us from evil and fill us with your Spirit. Clear our minds from clutter that we may discern what is right and walk in your ways. Amen.***

\*Response (here and also on screen) – *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

Katie Dreyer

*Give Me Jesus, African American Spiritual* arranged by Fernando Ortega

Scripture Reading – *Ephesians 5:15-20*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1244-1245

Sermon – *Wine and Spirits*

The Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Camlin

\*Song of Praise (on screen and on music insert) – *Breathe* words and music by Marie Barnett

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayers of the People

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

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory – *In Thy Tender Care* by Sylvia K. Riggs

\****Doxology***, Hymn #592

\*Prayer of Dedication

## SENDING

\*Hymn #316 – *Breathe on Me Breath of God*

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response (here and also on screen)

*May the Peace of the Lord Christ Go with You* by P. Sutcliffe

***May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you wherever he may send you.***

***May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.***

***May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.***

***May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.***

\*Postlude – *In Thee Is Joy* by James Denton

# Worship Notes

**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. **To all new and returning college students:** we're glad you're here and invite you to make this church your home away from home!

**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 **Janine Stuart** for assisting today. **Children's Church** will not meet again until fall, but **Summer Worship Bags** are available and can be found in a basket on the front pew in the transept.

**Greeting you** today at the main doors are **Dan & Debbie Forsberg** who have been members for over twenty years. Dan is currently a seated Elder. Debbie also has served as an elder. Dan is Chairman of the Mission Committee and a member of the Worship Team. Dan is a semi-retired choral director and Debbie retired as Resource Director of Shenango Presbytery. Daughter Kristen and husband Doug have two daughters Sloan and Elin, all of whom are active in NWPC. Son Dan Jr. and wife Kristin live in Hermitage and are expecting their first child in December.

**The chancel flowers** are given in celebration of Oakleigh Michele Mathieson's first birthday. Her parents are Fred & Rachelle Mathieson; her NWPC grandparents are Don & Michele Bolinger and Brian McFarland; her NWPC great grandparents are Shirley Hamilton and Bill & Jane McFarland.

**Our thanks** go to Westminster College student **Katie Dreyer** for sharing her gift of music with us today.

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**NWPC's annual "Back to School Picnic" is today** immediately following worship. Hot dogs, drinks and paper products are provided. Members bring a favorite side dish to share, but **visitors & college students – please come as our guests.** The picnic is held across the street from NWPC on the Westminster College patio. In the event of rain, we will gather in NWPC Social Hall. *All are welcome to attend.*



August 26, 2018

Welcome Westminster College Students  
Annual "Back to School" Church Picnic

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**Won't You Be My Neighbor?** Everyone is invited to attend a celebration to WELCOME our new neighbors from Puerto Rico and the volunteers in our community who are helping to support this effort. The picnic will be held **this evening, from 5pm to 8pm at the Hutchinson Building in Pearson Park.** It is sponsored by area churches, elected officials, businesses, and schools.

## Week of August 26 – September 2, 2018

### Sunday (26)

9am Men's Bible Study, Lillian Martin Room  
 10:20am Church Chums gather at Shenango on the Green to worship with residents  
 10:30am Worship  
 11:35am Annual "Back to School" Potluck Picnic, WC patio (*See announcement.*)

### Monday (27)

### Tuesday (28)

7pm AA Meeting, Balcony-Room 309 (at the top of the stairs)

### Wednesday (29)

### Thursday (30)

5:30-6pm NWPC Preschool Open House – 3 & 4 year old class, Room 216  
 6:30-7pm NWPC Preschool Open House – 4 & 5 year old class, Room 216  
 7:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary

### Friday (31)

### Saturday (September 1)

10am-1pm Communion Bread Baking, Church Kitchen

### Sunday (2)

9am Men's Bible Study, Lillian Martin Room  
 10:30am Worship - Communion  
 11:30am UKirk Lunch, Social Hall - *All college students welcome!*

<b>MEMO — Next Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> Greeters:</b>			
<u>N.W. Door</u> (by Ramp)	<u>S.W. Door</u> (Maple & Market corner)	<u>N.E. Door</u> (by Nursery)	<u>S.E. Door</u> (by Church Library)
<b>SHYG</b>	<b>SHYG</b>	<b>SHYG</b>	<b>SHYG</b>

*Did you know?*  
 There are some very comfy chairs  
 for you to sit in, here at NWPC!  
 You'll find them in the choir room.  
 Rehearsals start Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.



**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS** are needed *for the remainder of summer and in the fall.* A SIGNUP SHEET is located in the Church Nursery with Marilyn Reeher, for any adult who is 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 Judi Hartzler or Linda Black. *Thank you.*



**ARE YOU VOLUNTEERING  
 with children and youth in any capacity this fall?  
Clearances for every volunteer are essential!**

- Under Pennsylvania state law, all adults working with children and youth have to obtain or update clearances (Child Abuse *and* Criminal History) every five years. Many members of our church family obtained clearances and filed them with us five years ago and are nearing the time for renewal. Judi Hartzler has graciously agreed to help us track these clearances. You may have received an email or a phone message from her recently. Like Peggy Gordon, Judi is willing to assist those who have questions about the process. Judi's email address is [judihartzler@gmail.com](mailto:judihartzler@gmail.com)
- You will also find instructions and links on our website under the Resources Tab.
- If you already have clearances for your work for another organization, you may give us a copy.

**Friday Morning Bible Study** will be using F. F. Bruce, *Hard Sayings of Jesus.* The book can be purchased through Amazon. Group leader, Rev. Roman Garrison, has asked participants to read John 6:22-71 and the first chapter of Bruce's book. The first Bible study will be on Friday, September 7, from 10 -11 in the Craft Room at Shenango on the Green.

**Rev. Art Fuller**, friend of this congregation, is seriously ill. If you would like to send him a card, please call the church office for his address.



## Our Mission focus for August is Burundi.

Burundi is a small country in East Africa, although it has some cultural and geographical ties with Central Africa. It is surrounded by Rwanda, Tanzania and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Burundi covers 27,834km<sup>2</sup> with an estimated population of almost 8.7 million. Although the country is landlocked, much of the south-western border is adjacent to Lake Tanganyika, one of the deepest lakes in the world.

Burundi is one of the ten least developed countries in the world and it has the lowest per capita GDP of any nation in the world which is due primarily to civil wars, corruption, poor access to education, political instability and the consequences of HIV/AIDS. Because of the great needs of the people there, Five Talents, one of our mission partners has set out to assist the people through setting up savings and loan programs to incubate businesses and create income to elevate their standard of living. With additional income they can improve their health, education and enjoy a much better lifestyle.

We are most fortunate this month to have the Executive Director of Five Talents, Dale Stanton-Hoyle coming to speak to us and tell us first hand about the work of Five Talents in Burundi and other countries where we have mission partners such as South Sudan and Kenya. Below is one of Dale's weekly newsletters received in the church office telling of the Five Talents work in Burundi:

Dear Friend,

Good Monday morning. This week we travelled to see Five Talents programs in Burundi, where we have been training over 35,000 savings-group members. What a wonderful time. In the news recently, almost all we hear is how fragile Burundi is, how difficult it is to manage, and how poor its people are. But we witnessed reasons for hope. A new bishop we spent time with in conversation, and in prayer, said "I can't believe that God wants the people I am responsible for to live in poverty their whole lives." We saw women leaders singing and dancing, as well as working through the details of how to build and improve their Five Talents training programs. When I walked around a circle of two dozen savings group members, I placed my left hand on my right elbow as I shook their hands (a sign of respect). I could not believe how their faces were shining... These new entrepreneurs are not defeated. They will not allow their children to grow up in poverty. There are good reasons for the new bishop and all of us to hope.

Until next Monday morning,

Dale Stanton-Hoyle Executive Director, Five Talents USA

[www.FiveTalents.org](http://www.FiveTalents.org)

Please pray for the work and success of Five Talents and the people of Burundi, that their country may attain stability and grow both economically and in Christian faith.



## Dual Language Ministry

We are excited to let you know that final details are forthcoming for the Dual Language Spanish class!

If you are interested in taking the class to learn Spanish please confirm your interest by emailing [ESLSpanish.NWPC@gmail.com](mailto:ESLSpanish.NWPC@gmail.com) or by calling the church office at 724-946-3541. Please leave a number or email so that we may contact you with further details. Also you can use the insert in today's bulletin and put it in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office. The class will be held for 12 weeks, every Tuesday starting on September 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7pm. Place to be announced.

We will need your confirmation by Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. To enable us to have materials, please let us know how many from your family will attend. Let us know your interest as soon as possible, as we will be keeping the class number under 15 to 20 members. Just a reminder, the class is for 7<sup>th</sup> graders through adults and a donation of \$60 per person per semester or \$100 per family is being requested. The donation for the class can be paid by check made payable to NWPC and in the memo line please indicate that it is for "Dual Language Ministry."

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### Small Group Study Coming This Fall

Fall Small Group Study – *START > BECOMING A GOOD SAMARITAN* – will be the weeks of October 7 – November 11, 2018. We are currently looking for hosts in homes, at the church or at Shenango on the Green. Leadership resources will be provided. Please turn in the form below to the church office or put in the offering plate if you feel called to share in this ministry of hospitality.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_