

# Worship for the Lord's Day

\* Denotes all may stand if possible

Greetings & Announcements

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

Prelude – *An Exhortation to Praise* by Lani Smith

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading – *Luke 15:1-3, 11-32*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1112 - 1113

Call to Worship (*from Psalm 32*)

Grace and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*Hymn (on insert/screen) – *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

Prayer of Confession in Response to God's Grace

***Merciful God, we confess that we have strayed from your ways. Like the Prodigal Son, we have wasted our inheritance. You gave us the earth for our home, but we squander earth's resources and hoard its bounty. You gave us neighbors to love, but we pursue selfish ambitions. You gave us the commandments that lead to human flourishing, but we break your law and forsake your love. Forgive us our sin and bring us to repentance. Draw our wandering hearts back to you that we may find freedom in obedience to your love. Through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.***

\*Response – *Lord Listen to Your Children Praying* by Ken Medema

***Lord, listen to Your children praying,***

***Lord, send Your Spirit in this place;***

***Lord, listen to Your children praying,***

***send us love, send us power, send us grace. 2X***

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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

Word in Music

Chancel Choir

*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* by Eric Nelson

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come.  
What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting.....  
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

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

*They will return to the sanctuary following the sermon.*

Scripture Reading – *Joshua 5:9-12*, pew Bible O.T., p. 230

Scripture Reading – *2 Corinthians 5:16-21*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1228

Sermon – *God Moves Down the Road*

The Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Camlin

\*Song of Praise (on insert and screen)

Worship Team

*Good Good Father* by Anthony Brown and Pat Barrett

## 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 – *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain* by Ludwig M. Lindeman, 1812-87

\***Doxology**, Hymn #592

\*Prayer of Dedication

## SENDING

\*Hymn #332 – *Live Into Hope*

Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response (on screen)

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

\*Postlude – *Lieberman Herz, bedenke doch (Loving heart, consider)* by J.S. Bach

**REMINDER: Please join us for lunch and some stories** from Denise Sciuto's recent trip to Sudan and Uganda **TODAY** in the Social Hall after worship. Denise will bring us an update on partners of our Presbytery and Frontier Fellowship. Come hear what God is doing through our Sudanese and South Sudanese friends.

March 31, 2019  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

## April Mission Focus:



*One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is the church saying,  
“We’ll be there when you need us.”*

**To be received at NWPC  
on Palm Sunday – April 14, 2019**

Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God’s love with people experiencing need. Your gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, food for the hungry, and community development that helps people find safe refuge, start new lives, and work together to strengthen their families and communities.

To learn more about One Great Hour of Sharing, visit [pcusa.org/oghs](http://pcusa.org/oghs).

**Spring New Member Class:** There will be a new member class offered on Palm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 immediately following worship. Lunch will be provided. Please contact the church office, 724-946-3541 or [office@nwpresby.org](mailto:office@nwpresby.org), if you plan to participate.

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**HOORAY!!!**

***It's time for the ever-famous,  
long-awaited,  
mouth-watering,***

# **ANNUAL CHILI FUNDRAISER**

**TODAY – Sunday, March 31, 2019**

***Immediately following the worship service,  
SHYG youth will have TAKE OUT CHILI  
in the Ligo Room***

This is an event that you will definitely not want to miss and will feature the world famous "secret chili recipe" for which this event is known. There is no doubt that this recipe cannot be duplicated!!! Come to the Ligo Room and pick up some to go for an easy meal at home. Donations for the chili provide support for the yearly SHYG summer mission trip. Thanks for your support.



**SHYG Chili  
Fundraiser**



## 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.

**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 **Susan Devido** and to **Marilyn Reher** for staffing our Nursery today.

**Children's Church** is a gathering where children (preschool through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) engage a Bible story in a creative and developmentally focused way. The group meets in the Children's Church Room, #213 with **Jill Postema** leading today.

**Children's Bulletin** for two age groups (3 to 6 & 7 to 12) can be found in the racks at each entrance.

**Lenten Worship Bags** – for parents worshipping with children ages 4 to 8 or 9 years of age – can be picked up on the front pew in the transept to use during worship during the Lenten season. Please return the bag at the end of the service and it will be ready for next Sunday.

**Greeting you** at the main entrance are **Doug, Kristen, Sloan** and **Elin Phillips** who each has their NWPC niche. Kristen has been around since middle school and currently plays bells and sings with the Praise Team. She teaches 6th-grade English at Wilmington MS. Doug is in denial about his age and leads JHYG and SHYG with the hope that people will think he is one of them. He also plays softball with NWPC's softball team. Sloan and Elin love Sunday School and Sloan especially loves Kids Club. Sloan is in first grade. Elin attends NWPC Preschool and is Mrs. Mohr's biggest fan. She is excited to start Kindergarten in the fall. The Phillips feel blessed to be a part of this Christ-centered church family.

We are very pleased that our middle school students serve as **acolytes** in worship. Today **Jacob Wilson** and **Ellie Postema** are lighting the candles. On April 7<sup>th</sup> **Will Bruckner** and **Sam Mistretta** will serve.

<b>MEMO—Next Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> Greeters:</b>			
N.W. Door	S.W. Door	N.E. Door	S.E. Door
(by Ramp)	(Maple & Market corner)	by Nursery)	(by Church Library)
<b>Carol Aiken</b>	<b>Robert Devido</b>	<b>Beth Mickle</b>	<b>Nathan Hunter</b>

## Today

### Sunday (March 31) Fourth Sunday in Lent

- 9am Men's Bible Study, downstairs in the Lillian Martin Room  
9:30am Sunday School Classes for all ages  
10:30am Worship  
11:30am Lunch with Denise Sciuto Sudan Mission Trip Presentation, Social Hall  
11:30am SHYG Annual, Take-Out Chili Fundraiser, Ligo Room  
6pm SHYG (Senior High Youth Group), Youth Room

## This Week

### Monday (April 1) Easter flower order due. (See insert.)

- 6:15pm Dual Language Classes, Room 214  
6:30pm Financial Peace Class, middle balcony room-#306

### Tuesday (2)

- 5:30pm Joybells Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
6pm Kids Club, Social Hall  
6pm JHYG (Junior High Youth Group), Youth Room  
6:15pm Dual Language Classes, Room 214  
7pm Carillon Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
7pm AA Meeting, Room 309

### Wednesday (3)

- 2:45pm Youth Bells Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
5pm Worship Committee, Room 206  
7pm Deacons, Room 214  
7pm Trustees, Room 309

### Thursday (4) Preschool Picture Day, Rooms 215 & 216

- 6pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room  
7:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary

### Friday (5) Preschool Picture Day, Rooms 215 & 216

## Next Sunday

### Sunday (April 7) Fifth Sunday in Lent

- 9am Men's Bible Study, downstairs in the Lillian Martin Room  
9:30am Sunday School Classes for all ages  
10:30am Worship  
11:30am UKirk Lunch, Social Hall  
6pm SHYG (Senior High Youth Group), Youth Room

## Announcements

### Meet Andrew and Ingrid Walls – Palm Sunday Lunch:

In the world of mission scholarship and practice, Andrew and Ingrid Walls are the most interesting people you could meet. They live in Aberdeen, Scotland, but will be worshipping with us on Palm Sunday. Following worship there will be a light sandwich lunch in Room 214 where we will have a conversation about how the mission of God is being lived around the world today. Don't miss it! No reservation, just come!

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** will be meeting in April on Tuesday evening, the 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm and Friday morning, the 12<sup>th</sup>, at 10am downstairs in the Lillian Martin Room.

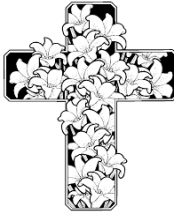
*Why Religion? A Personal Story*, Elaine Pagels' New York Times best seller, is the subject of **SALT discussions** and began today. Pagels' book is "(a)n extraordinary memoir of loss, spiritual struggle, illumination, and insight – emotionally heartrending, intellectually exciting, a model of what a memoir should be" (Joyce Carol Oates). Pagels is a historian and interpreter of early Christianity, who Bart D. Ehrman describes as "one of the truly eminent scholars of our generation." SALT meets in the southwest alcove of the Social Hall. All are welcome.

**Adult Sunday School Series: "The Bible from Scratch: The Old Testament"** Join us in Room 214 from 9:30 to 10:15am. Rev. Brad Walters is facilitating a series written by Don Griggs, which presents an accessible, easy-to-understand, overview of the Bible for participants of all levels of familiarity with scripture, including those who have - or fear they have - little or no Bible knowledge. Everyone is welcome, whether or not you are able to attend the whole series.



**SUMMER CAMP, ANYONE?** Please visit the updated SUMMER CAMP page on our church website, found under the "Ministries" tab. There are camps for almost every age from Preschoolers through Adults. These include camps for young children accompanied by a parent / grandparent, camps where whole families attend, as well as camps geared specifically to a child's age. You'll also find specialty camps with horseback riding, sports, music, the arts and drama, wilderness exploration and more. Our website has links to the homepages of our most popular camps. Our website also lists several members of our church family who know these various camps well and are happy to share their experiences. Camp can be a life-changing experience. Consider making it a part of your summer plans.

*It is time to order Easter flowers...*



Please complete the form below and return with payment in the offering plate, or bring to the church office during the week. Please put form in an envelope and mark it "flowers." The deadline for ordering Easter flowers, as set by the florist, is Monday, April 1, 2019.

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Please order \_\_\_\_\_ Easter lilies at \$10.50 each.  
Please order \_\_\_\_\_ Tulips at \$10.50 each  
Please order \_\_\_\_\_ Daffodils at \$10.50 each

Ordered by \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Print dedication in bulletin as follows:

1. In memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. In memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_  
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1. In honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
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Given by \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. In honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
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Given by \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Plants should be taken home after worship on Easter Sunday.**

**Flowers left here will be delivered to those unable to attend.**