

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 – *The River* by Anna Laura Page

Carillon Handbell Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading – *Mark 1:29–39*

Gathering Prayer

*Hymn (on screen) – *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

Prayer of Confession in Response to God's Grace (here and on screen):

God, you are everlasting, the creator of all that is. Your understanding is beyond measure. We confess to you that we have sinned against you and our neighbors, failing to love as you have loved us. In your compassion, forgive us, for we place our hope in your steadfast love. Amen.

*Response (here and on screen) – *Trisagion*

*Holy God, Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
have mercy, have mercy on us.*

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 – *Like a River In My Soul* arranged by Tim Osiek

Chancel Choir

I've got peace like a river, like a river in my soul.

I've got peace like a river, soothing river, calmly flow.

When the world closes in, feel the stillness within.

I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, like an ocean in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, endless ocean, deep and full.

When you're lost and alone, let the waves bring you home.

I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, like a fountain in my soul.

When you hope nearly dies, just remember, once again you shall rise!

I've got joy like a fountain, love like an ocean, peace like a river, in my soul.

(Children are welcome to join Children's Church at this time - Room 213)

Sermon – *Everyone's Looking*

The Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Camlin

*Song of Praise (on screen) – *Jesus Messiah*

by Daniel Carson, Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, and Jesse Reeves

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Offerings

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory – *O Wondrous Food, O Cup That Heals* by Donald F Callender

Doxology, Hymn #592

*Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Communion continues,

Leader: ...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

People: *Holy God, Holy and Mighty,
 Holy Immortal One,
 We praise thee, we praise thee. Amen.*

Leader: ... Great is the mystery of faith:

People: *Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.*

Words of Institution

The Communion of the People

The Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Postlude – *Classical Postlude* by Robert J. Hughes

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response (on screen) -

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

The New Wilmington Presbyterian Church Annual Meeting takes place immediately following worship next Sunday, February 11th. The congregation will receive the 2023 annual report, elect two members-at-large to the Nominating Committee, and act upon any other business that may properly come before the body. Copies of the Annual Report are available in the Ligo Room if you want to review it in advance.



2024 ALTERNATIVE GIFT VALENTINES program has begun and continues through next Sunday, February 11th. Order forms are in the bulletin along with the valentine ministry descriptions. A Mission Committee representative will be in the Ligo Room following worship to help you.

February 4, 2024
Communion



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CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024 - Communion

- 9am Men's Bible Class studying *Hebrews*, Room 214
9:15am SALT Class - *Democracy Awakening, Notes on the State of America* by Heather Cox Richardson via ZOOM; for a link contact Jim Hines, jhines55@hotmail.com
9:30am Sunday School Classes for all children age 2-8th grade
10:30am WORSHIP at New Wilmington Presbyterian Church or via LiveStream (livestream.com/nwpresby) or Titan radio, at 88.9 FM
11:30am Alternative Gift Valentines, Ligo Room 
6-7:30pm SHYG, Youth Room

MONDAY, 2-5

- 9:30am Shutterbugs Camera Club, Room 214
7pm Discipleship Committee, Room 214

TUESDAY, 2-6

- 5:30pm Joybells Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
6pm Spanish Class, Room 206
7pm Carillon Handbell Choir, Sanctuary
7pm AA Meeting, Room 214

WEDNESDAY, 2-7

- 6-7:30pm JHYG, Balcony Room 309
7pm Reconciliation Steering Committee, Room 206
7pm Deacons in Room 214, and Trustees in the sanctuary


THURSDAY, 2-8

- 6pm Chancel Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary
7pm Worship Team rehearsal, Sanctuary

SATURDAY, 2-10

- 9am Adult Bible Study discussing the *Book of Acts*, Room 214

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WORSHIP NOTES

If you are a guest today, we pray 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 found in the bulletin racks, and personal audio receivers that provide sound amplification at the “sound booth” at the back of the sanctuary.

For Children:

To protect the health of our children and caregivers, please keep your child with you if he/she is not feeling well or has been ill in the last three days. Thank you for your attention to this request during cold and flu season.

1. **Welcome to our nursery care during the church service**, located through the side doors of the sanctuary to the left of the pulpit area, Room 212. *Please note* the space was thoughtfully designed for children 0-3 years of age. If your child is older than three, please refrain from including him/her with this age group. Many thanks. Providing childcare today are Kay Taylor and Alasdair Camlin.
2. **The 4 to 6-year-old child care room is open** for any child that age who would like to participate in age appropriate, supervised play/social time during our worship service. It is in Room 215, right next to the NWPC Preschool classroom. Today's caregivers are Jodi Garrett and Allison Stuart. If your child would like to start there, then go to Children's Church when it is being held, a caretaker is happy to escort him/her to the CC room. Just let the caregivers know your plan.
- 3 **Children Church**, Room 213, is a creative and developmentally appropriate worship experience for children age 4 to 4th grade. Jill Postema, Sharon Meyer, and Janine Stuart will be taking turns teaching.
4. **Children's Worship Bulletins** for ages 3-6 & 7-12 are located at the ramp door.

The 2024 Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin by the SE door, the one closest to WC chapel. Please sign up for dates important to you. If more convenient, send an email either to Flower Coordinator, Cinda Hickman, hickmanw@westminster.edu, or the Church Office, office@nwpresby.org, with the date in which you are interested. You will hear back confirming your request. The cost is \$35.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The NWPC Retreat will be held at the Life Ministries Castle in Franklin, PA, from Friday, February 23rd to Sunday, February 25th. Mark your calendar! A fun and thought-provoking time awaits. Good food, good friends, and memories will be made. Time for study, relaxation, fellowship, and a variety of activities to choose from makes for a weekend you don't want to miss. Find the flyer today in the Ligo room with more information. Questions? Contact Kristen Phillips, 724-657-7497 or forsbekl@gmail.com.



The Deacons are currently taking dinners to one of our members, every Monday and Friday. If interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Care Coordinator Linda McGrath for detailed information, by phone: 724-730-3813 or by email: lmoosemcgrath@gmail.com

SALT is engaging Heather Cox Richardson's recent book, Democracy Awakening. Notes on the State of America. The author crafts a "... narrative, explaining how, over the decades, a small group of wealthy people have made war on American ideals. By weaponizing language and promoting false history they have led the nation into authoritarianism -- creating a disaffected population and then promising to recreate an imagined past where those people could feel important again. She argues that (restoring) our country starts by remembering the elements of the nation's true history that marginalized Americans have always upheld. Their dedication to the principles on which this nation was founded has (repeatedly) enabled us to renew and expand our commitment to democracy." SALT convenes via Zoom at 9:15. All are welcome. Contact Jim Hines at jhines55@hotmail.com for a link.

TEMPORARY CHANGES:

- 1. HELP Committee:** Due to the social hall renovations, which involves the kitchen, the HELP Committee will be unable to provide funeral/memorial meals until that project is completed. *We can offer* light refreshments in the Ligo Room area following these services. We regret having to make this adjustment and hope it will be short term.
- 2. The Sunday Men's Bible class** is now meeting in Room 214, but will return to the Lillian Martin room once asbestos removal is finished.

Summary of January 2024 Session Meeting Outcomes: Session held its monthly meeting on Wednesday evening, January 17, 2024. Items discussed or acted upon of which the congregation should be aware include:

1. Session approved the minutes of its December meeting without correction.
2. The group welcomed Bob Devido (Class of 2026) and thanked Jamey Shaffer and Karen Wallace for serving another term on Session.
3. A large portion of the meeting was dedicated to discussing the projected deficit in the proposed budget for 2024. Special thanks to Church Treasurer Kim Romig for providing insight and explanations for budgetary questions.
4. The proposed budget for mission (15% of income) was largely discussed during the meeting, including how several aspects of mission aren't included in the budget. For instance, alternative gifts valentines, Seed to Feed Garden, and CarePortal. With 93 requests responded to in the last two years, the CarePortal platform estimates NWPC's economic impact to be \$120,299 (as of Jan. 24, 2024). Thanks to Geraldine Truog-Hodges for her knowledge of NWPC's mission partnerships in this discussion. The Session unanimously voted to place the Mission Budget for 2024 at 13% of 2023's Actual Income.
5. A number of ideas were discussed on how to address the projected budgetary deficit for 2024. Generosity will continue to be an agenda item in forthcoming Session meetings.
6. Session voted unanimously to use \$6,000 from the Discretionary/Special Designate in Non-Budget Designated Funds, \$2,500 from the Session Discretionary Funds in Non-Budget Unrestricted Funds, and \$15,095 from Estate and Memorial funds in Non-Budget Unrestricted Funds to cover the 2023 budget deficit.

The next stated meeting of the Session is 6:30pm on Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE CORNER:

- Trustees and others have cleaned out the Social Hall, SALT room and NWMC office. **THANKS** to everyone that helped with moving all the items out. While we had the dumpster, the Trustees threw out a lot of junk from the boiler room.
- The asbestos abatement has been taking place the past week and should be completed early this week.
- Rossman Hensley will start demo work in the Social Hall this week.
- PLEASE NOTE: use of Social Hall is currently "off-limits".