

Worship for the Lord's Day

Greetings & Announcements

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

Prelude – *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* arranged by Albin C. Whitworth

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading – *1 John 3:16–18*

Gathering Prayer

*Hymn (on screen) – *How Great Thou Art*

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

Merciful and gentle God, we have wanted reward without sacrifice. We have been unwilling to serve and have not humbled ourselves in obedience. Forgive our hubris, gracious God. Correct our ignorant ways and help us to know your glory through servanthood. Guide us to be true followers of your way, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Response (here and on screen) – *In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful*

text by: Taizé Community; music by: Jacques Berthier

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God; do not be afraid.

Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

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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

Children's Message

Amy Warner

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

Scripture Reading – *Matthew 5: 14-16*

Sermon – *Conquering darkness...it's all about the Light* Elder Scott McGrath

*Song of Praise (on screen) – *Build Your Kingdom Here*

by Chris Llewellyn, Gareth Gilkeson, William Herron

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (...sins...)

Presentation of Offerings

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory – *I've Found a Friend, O Such a Friend* arranged by Don Phillips

Doxology, Hymn #592

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*Hymn (on screen) – *O God, in a Mysterious Way*

Postlude – *Postlude on "Festal Song"* by Gordon Young

Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response (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.

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:

1. **The Nursery** (infants – age 3) is located through the side doors of the sanctuary to the left of the pulpit area, Room 212. Alasdair Camlin and an adult volunteer will be in the nursery each Sunday.
2. Families of **4 to 6-year-old children** are welcome to use Room 215, next to the NWPC Preschool classroom, at any time during the worship service. A parent/guardian must be present at all times. Please feel free to use the toys, games and art supplies which are located in the labeled cupboards. Kindly return everything at the end of the service.
3. **Children's Church** (ages 4 years – grade four), in Room 213 during the middle part of the adult worship service. This week our children welcome Don Shelenberger to Children's Church. We see God in the way Don has shared his love for Westminster College and its students over many years. May we all be reminded of God's promise for the greatest homecoming of all.
4. **Children's Worship Bulletins** (ages 3-6 & 7-12) are found at the ramp door.

Our thanks to elder Scott McGrath for leading us in worship today, giving Rev. Camlin a respite Sunday.

The pink rosebud in the chancel celebrates the September 20th birthday of Felicity Grace Hodges, daughter of Johnathan & Geraldine, sister of Oliver.

The flowers today are given with thanks for and to say “Happy 90th Birthday” to Leona Boyle who continues to serve our church family as a “church mouse” from Scott & Linda McGrath. *God bless you!* (Church mice pick up the pew pads pages and other papers from the pews each Sunday!)

October 20, 2024

Stewardship Theme: LOVE PEOPLE



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ANNOUNCEMENTS continued,

SALT is discussing Sue Monk Kidd's novel and New York Times best seller, *The Book of Longings*. In this novel Kidd, the author of *The Secret Life of Bees* and *The Dissident Daughter* among others, tells the story of Ana the imagined wife of Jesus. Inspired in part by *The Thunder Perfect Mind*, one of the manuscripts found among the codices of the Nag Hammadi Library in 1946, the novel incorporates considerable portions of modern historical Jesus studies. The book is available from many sources. SALT gathers via Zoom, 9:15am Sunday. Contact Jim Hines, jhines55@hotmail.com, for a Zoom link.

The **NWPC PRESCHOOL** is in need of replenishing 18-year-old furniture and some new toys/supplies. The congregation is encouraged to donate a monetary gift to support this need to replace the old with the new. The "WISHLIST" is on the front of the desk in the Ligo Room. Checks can be made payable to NWPC with "preschool" written in the memo.



Church Fall Work Day-Saturday, November 2nd.

Please set aside time to serve your church. More details to follow.

COMMUNITY CORNER:

A Craft Show, featuring exclusive items handmade by the independent living residents of Shenango on the Green, will take place on Friday, November 15th from 10am to 3pm in the Community Room. All proceeds are donated to the Senior Care Fund.

PuzzlePalooza – a fun fundraiser for scholarships for women sponsored by local PEO Chapter – on Saturday, November 2nd from 2-5pm at Clen-Moore Presbyterian Church in New Castle. Bring a friend or be part of a team to complete a 500-piece puzzle. \$20/person which must be pre-paid. RSVP to Jayne by October 28th: 724-944-2111 or jsheehan0107@gmail.com. Questions? Text or call Kay Taylor, 724-301-1334.

Daily Lectionary Readings for This Week:

Monday	Psalm 75; Job 40:1-24; Hebrews 6:1-12
Tuesday	Psalm 75; Job 41:1-11; Hebrews 6:13-20
Wednesday	Psalm 75; Job 41:12-34; John 13:1-17
Thursday	Psalm 34:1-8 [19-22]; 2 Kings 20:12-19; Hebrews 7:1-10
Friday	Psalm 34:1-8 [19-22]; Nehemiah 1:1-11; Hebrews 7:11-22
Saturday	Psalm 34:1-8 [19-22]; Job 42:7-9; Mark 8:22-26

As you read, don't ask yourself, "What am I learning?" but rather, "How does this speak to me? What does this stir up within me? Why might that be?"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Registration is open for our 2025 Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic! The dates for this trip are February 15-22, 2025. Each traveler is responsible for their own air travel arrangements and expenses. Registration deadline is January 31, 2025. If you want to register or have questions, please contact Joel Postema (postemajt@westminster.edu / 724-944-3944) or Matt Camlin (matt@nwpresby.org / 724-747-7422).

Halloween Treat Collection:



The Borough Halloween Parade is quickly approaching! For our annual Trick or Treat station and Photo Booth in front of the church, we are collecting candy and treats like stickers, glow sticks, pencils, erasers, etc. in the box in the library until parade day. We would also love to have **YOU** join us! If you would like to help decorate, pass out treats, take photos, provide music, etc., please come before / for Trick or Treating, 2-4pm, Saturday, October 26th.

OCTOBER MISSION FOCUS:

“**LOVE THE WORLD**” is part of the challenge for NWPC. On the Mission Committee’s bulletin board in the Ligo Room there is a description of the flags which are displayed there. They remind us of all of the places, **past and present**, where NWPC has been involved in mission. We encourage you regularly to remember the peoples and ministries these flags represent and to pray for those who serve Christ around the world on your behalf.

FROM PDA:



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it. (Song of Solomon 8:7)

2024 Hurricane Season: As we reel from the multi-state devastation of **Hurricane Helene**, immediately followed by **Hurricane Milton** across Florida to several of the same affected areas, we know there may be more storms this season. Our support helps to ensure no community is left behind and gives PDA the ability to respond even to places where there is little media coverage. To learn more about Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, use this link: pda.pcusa.org

It will take years to recover. After initial needs are addressed, **PDA will remain** – providing emotional and spiritual care and long-term recovery to address unmet and ongoing needs. And since the needs for this response will be great, PDA requests God’s people to stand in the “GAP” – Give. Act. Pray.

Give: If interested in donating money, you may write a check to NWPC and specify Hurricane Assistance in the memo line.

Act: See the next page as NWPC partners with ROOT to help the people living in Canton, North Carolina.

Pray: *God of grace and compassion,*

May your Spirit move in this, your creation, bringing peace amid the turmoil and breathing hope in the place that feel broken. May your Spirit continue to be the quiet but constant reassurance that you are with your children and creation, even in the darkest moments, guiding us toward healing and restoration. Amen.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Helene, Root International in Mercer, Pa is working directly with the Met Con Plant in the town of Canton, North Carolina to help provide supplies for their 311 employees - many have lost everything - plus the people in the community. It is expected that these folks are going to be 3 to 6 weeks without water and sewer. Met Con has been able to bring in water trucks to help aid this problem. In addition to the already existing devastation, a growing issue in the area now is mold being found in homes. Met Con is sending a semi-truck to pick up donated items so the deadline for collection is October 21. This will enable donated supplies to be packed in boxes by October 25 when the truck is scheduled to arrive. If you wish to help, you will find a collection box in the Ligo Room.

Nonperishable Food:

1. Beans
2. Can Chicken
3. Soup
4. Tuna
5. Vegetables
6. Ready-to-eat pasta meals (e.g. Spaghetti o's)
7. Meals in a can

360 Total Care Infant formula (powder – if available)

Diapers – Sizes 1,2,3,6

Pull-Ups – All Sizes

Baby Wipes

Flushable wipes

Feminine products

Paper Plates

Disposable Cutlery

Vinegar

Dawn Dish Soap

Cleaning Wipes – (e.g. Clorox)

Trash bags

Gloves for Cleaning

Goggles for Cleaning

Masks/respirators (disposable n95 recommended) for cleaning

AAA batteries

Summary of October 2, 2024 - Deacon Meeting

October grief booklets have been mailed to congregation members moving through times of grief following the loss of a loved one.

Greeting and gift card sent to a family in the congregation welcoming a new child.

Meals Ministry provided 9 meals for congregation members who benefit from this support. All members of the congregation are welcome to join in providing meals. Please contact Linda McGrath, Congregation Care Coordinator (724)730-3813 or lmoosemcgrath@gmail.com for information.

Deacons continue to assist with home communion and serve communion at SOG while worshiping with residents viewing the broadcast service.

September Contact Tally

Calls – 12

Correspondence – 58

Visits - 8

Meals – 9 total, 5 prepared by deacons, 4 prepared by congregation members

Summary of October 2, 2024 - Trustees Meeting

The trustees met on Wednesday, October 2, 2024.

The trustees approved the following:

- Minutes of the September 4, 2024 meeting
- Church use requests for:
 - Phi Mu sorority's Breakfast with Santa on November 23, 2024
 - Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner on February 15, 2025
- The installation of "hold open" door closers on certain church doors that are frequently propped open.
- A proposal from Baut Studios for new front doors for the church. The trustees will also ask session to approve the proposal.

The trustees discussed the following:

- The flat roof repairs should take place soon
- The trustees are looking for a company to install an automatic soap dispenser for the new dish machine.
- The next meeting of the trustees will be on November 6, 2024.

SOMETHING SPECIAL:



Prayer Shawl Meeting

Thursday Evening, October 24, 2024

6 – 8 in the Social Hall

Light refreshments will be served at 6pm: Sloppy Jo, chips, veggies and dip, dessert, hot and cold drinks.

Come for food, fellowship, laughter and information on the 2025 hat project.

Come to learn to knit or crochet.

Come to pick up embroidery kits and supplies.

We are looking for new patterns for hats, shawls or "lapghans". If you have favorite patterns, please bring a copy to share.

If you can't come for the whole meeting time, **no worries**. Come when you can and leave when it is convenient for you.

Please text or call Sandy (724 651-0728) or Charlene (724 856-2781) so we have food and handouts for everyone!

Come!

CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024

- 9am Men's Bible Class, Lillian Martin Room
9:15am SALT via ZOOM, contact Jim Hines, jhines55@hotmail.com
9:30am "Love God, Love People, Love the World" Class, and
"Different Brews * Different Views" meeting together in Room 214
9:30am Sunday School classes for children
10:30am WORSHIP: here at New Wilmington Presbyterian Church, or via
LiveStream at livestream.com/nwpresby or Titan radio, at 88.9 FM
6pm SHYG, Youth Lounge

MONDAY, 10-21

TUESDAY, 10-22

- 9:30am Staff Meeting, Room 206
No Joybells Handbell Choir Rehearsal this week
7pm Carillon Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7pm AA Meeting, Room 214

WEDNESDAY, 10-23

- 5pm Kids Club, Social Hall
6pm JHYG, Youth Lounge
6pm Spanish Class, Room 206
6:30pm Session Meeting with Presbytery, Room 214

KIDS CLUB



THURSDAY, 10-24

- 6pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Group, Social Hall
6pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
6:30pm FYG (new Freshman Youth Group), Youth Lounge
7:15pm Worship Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary

SATURDAY, 10-26

- 9am Adult Saturday Bible Study on the *Book of Acts*, Church Library
2-4pm Trick or Treating Station & Photo Booth, out front on Market St.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024

- 9am Men's Bible Class, Lillian Martin Room
9:15am SALT via ZOOM, contact Jim Hines, jhines55@hotmail.com
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All You Can Eat

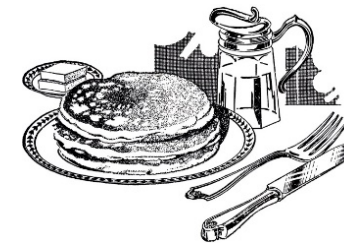
Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

sponsored by New Wilmington Presbyterian Children and Youth

Sunday, November 10, 2024

9:00 AM - 10:15 AM

Held at New Wilmington Presbyterian Church



Featuring:

Regular Pancakes

Regular and Sugar Free Syrup

Sausage

Fruit Appetizer

Coffee, Tea, Milk, Juice

Suggested Donations

Adults \$8.00

Children Under 10..... \$6.00

*All proceeds will be used by the children and youth to purchase
Christmas presents from the Presbyterian Mission Catalog*