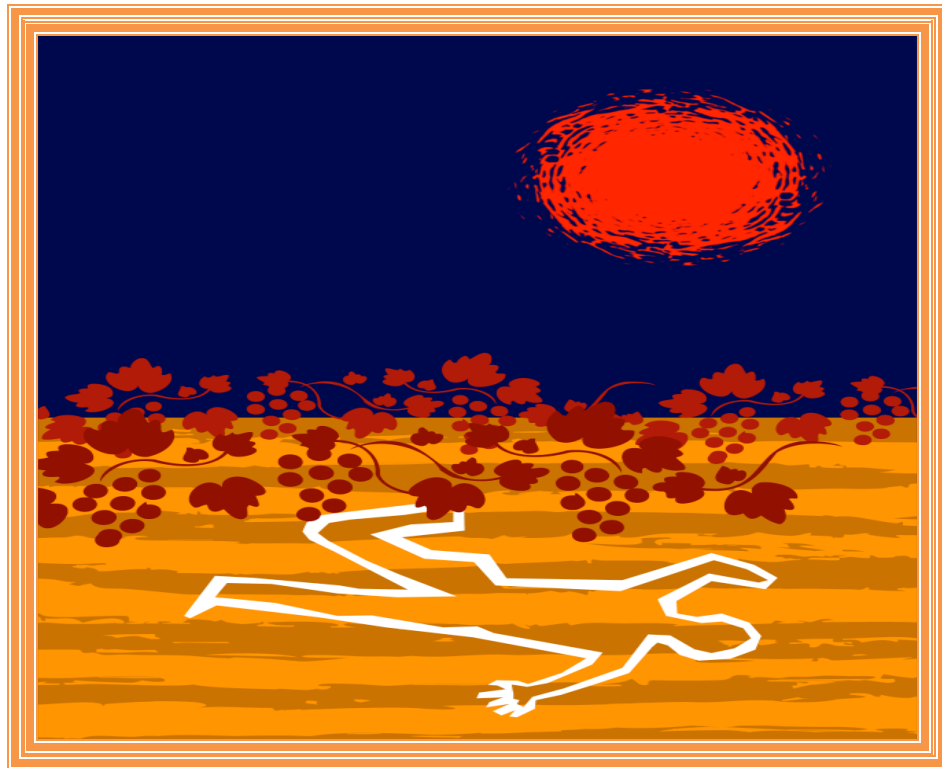


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October 5, 2014

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

The Rev. Nancy E. Thornton, Pastor

Northeastern Presbyterian Church



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

We are thankful for your presence as we share in the worship of God. We pray you will find a blessing of fellowship among us. If you are visiting, please know that no one is really a visitor. This is God's house and all are welcome. We invite you to pray with us, sing with us, rejoice with us, and hear Christ's call with us.

† Please enter after the invitation of the ushers

*We stand with our hearts or our postures

SOZ refers to the "Songs of Zion" hymnal

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAISE AND PRAYER

Prelude

Introit

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

The Chancel

Choir

Greetings

†*Invocation

*Singing God's Praises
Congregation

The Choir and

†*Call to Worship

One: Whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ.

Many: **I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.**

One: As the Scriptures promise: the stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

Many: **This is the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes.**

†*Prayer of Confession

You, O Lord, have created us for goodness and to live in peace with one another and with You. Yet we have ignored Your teachings and substituted our own self-serving goals. As a result we have inherited and perpetuated a world torn by violence, oppression, and strife. And at the heart we are estranged from our Creator and from the true selves You intended us to be. Wash us, we pray, with the healing of Your grace.

Renew us by the power of Your Spirit and guide our feet in the way of peace. As we prepare to feast at Your Table, may we rediscover our identity as defined by Your love. Amen.

†*God's Good News

One: Persistently, patiently, lovingly, God pours out grace and joy into our lives, healing our brokenness, forgiving our sin.

Many: **Loved, we are sent to love; forgiven, we are freed to forgive; graced, we can offer our gifts to everyone we meet. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Announcements

Special Announcement

Jones

Elder Thriftone

Welcome to our Visitors

Passing the Peace #167, SOZ

"Over My

Head"

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD



Children's Message

Response #304, Hymnal
Me

"Jesus Loves

Invitation to the Offering

With grateful hearts, let us offer our gifts, trusting in God's goodness.

†Offertory *"Lord, Make Me An Instrument of Thy Peace"* Chancel Choir

*Doxology #592, Hymnal *"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

†*Prayer of Dedication

We can hoard the gifts with which You bless us, God of generosity, or we can share them with others. May what we offer in these moments be the very blessing, the very hope, the very peace others need. Receive our gifts toward the Presbyterian Church's Peacemaking program and our offering to this church in Your name. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Experiencing God's Love through Northeastern Presbyterian

†Anthem *"Jesus Paid It All"* Chancel Choir

†Prayer of Illumination

Gracious God, Your Word surprises challenges, upsets, and overturns our way of seeing and thinking. Come and find us today wherever we are, however we are. By the power of Your Holy Spirit cause that which is withering in us to blossom and that which is exacting in us to broaden until we see as You see, and thereby glimpse the kingdom You are bringing. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Psalm 19, p. 433, Pew Bible
Matthew 21:33-46, p. 803, Pew Bible

One: This is **the** Word of the Lord.
Many: **Thanks be to God!**

† Sermonic Selection

Mrs. Jeanette Nelson

Message
Thornton

"Violence"

Rev. Nancy

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Affirmation of Faith, p. 14
Creed"

"The Apostle's

† Prayers of the People

† The Prayer Jesus Taught, p. 16, Hymnal



The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

#139, SOZ

#403, Hymnal

#513, Hymnal

"Kum Ba Yah, My Lord"

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

* Hymn #400, Hymnal

"Pues Si Vivimos/When We Are Living"

* Charge and Blessing

Benediction
Choir

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

The Chancel

(Please be seated)

Postlude

"Toccata" from Symphony No. 5 for Organ (excerpt)

LECTIONARY: EXODUS 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; PSALM 19; PHILIPPIANS 3B-14; MATTHEW 21:33-46

Today's Worship Leadership

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 Northeastern Presbyterian Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: Herstories, Part III: A Bibliodrama Series on **Women Gone Bad**, beginning Thursday, October 9th from 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m., meeting in the "playroom" on the second floor. Details can be found on the church's website and on the bulletin board in the Breezeway. Contact Felicia A. Lightfoot at 202-413-8668 or pffalightfoot@aol.com for more details.

CONGREGATIONAL FORUM: Your Session invites you to join in conversation about the ministry and work of Northeastern Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 26th following worship. We look forward to talking with you about your hopes and concerns.

LITERARY CLUB - Please join us as we again expand our horizons to discuss a novel by a male author. In the library today, following worship, we will discuss Edward K. Moore's debut novel **The Supremes at Earl's All-You-Can-Eat.**

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE - The period for nominating candidates to serve as officers and committee members will close today **at 12:00 PM (Noon).**

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE will meet today following worship service in the Livingston Room.

THE NORTHEASTERN PC SUNDAY SCHOOL will offer beginner and intermediate sewing classes each Saturday at 11am beginning October 11th. Classes will be led by Thelma Jones, Cynthia Gervais, and Denise Hodges. Come Join us!

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS will meet at 11:00 a.m., in the Jamison Lounge. The subject of the Book of Exodus is redemption--through the power of God, by means of a deliverer, under the cover of blood. It was written to record the events of Israel's deliverance from slavery in Egypt and contains the Laws that God gave to the Israelites in order to guide them in their relationship with Him. Please join us in studying the Word.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: **Reminder**--There will be no Bible study for Presbyterian Women on October 18, 2014. Bible study will take place on Saturday, October 25, 2014.

The Thank Offering/Vesper Service will be held on Sunday, October 12, 2014 at 4:00 p.m., in the auditorium. The theme is "Stir Up Love and Good Works." The scripture is Hebrews 10:24 and there will be a special presentation on "Do You Believe in Miracles. I Do." Please join us.

THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE will host its annual **Health Fair on Saturday, October 18, 2014** here at the church from **10:00 am until 1:30 pm**. There will be free screenings for hypertension, cholesterol, glucose, skin disorders, dental, hearing and much more including medical consultations. Also, there will be a four hour **Certified CPR class from 11:00 am-3:00 pm**. To register: call 202-526-0749.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: World Communion Sunday is today and our annual Peacemaking Offering will be received. Funds are used in an effort to support humanitarian, economic and environmental justice through the Presbyterian Church. A percentage goes to these programs and another percentage goes to local mission. Be present and say, "Yes! I would like to share my gifts." He gives generously to the needy; his kindness lasts forever. 2 Corinthians 9:9

WHAT IS PER CAPITA? HOW MUCH IS IT? Per Capita is an amount of money that each church pays to the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly for each active member of its church. The 2014 Per Capita Amount for National Capital Presbytery is \$35.35 per member. Please review the inserted brochure and if you haven't already done so, include \$35.35 (please make note that it's your per capita gift) with your offering.

THIS MONTH @ NORTHEASTERN

- Oct. 5 Sunday Morning Worship Service, 10 a.m.**
Adult Church School, 9:00a.m., Jamison Lounge
Young Folk Church School, 9:00a.m., Auditorium
Literary Club following worship service, in the Library
Nominating Committee meeting following worship, Jamison Lounge
- Oct. 6 Prayer Conference Call, 9p.m.
Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300, Access Code: 190784#
AARP Board Mtg., 10 a.m., Jamison Lounge
- Oct. 7 Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 11:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge
Noon Day Prayer Service, Chapel
Cherub Choir: 6:30 p.m., Choir Room
Celestial Choir: 7:30 p.m., Choir Room
- Oct. 9 Thankful Thursday. E-mail your reason to be thankful to nepc1@verizon.net
Herstories, 6:30 p.m., 2nd Floor
Chancel Choir: 7:30 p.m., Choir Room
- Oct. 11 Delta, 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Auditorium
Sewing Class: 11:00 a.m., third floor
- Oct. 12 Sunday Morning Worship Service, 10 a.m.**
Adult Church School, 9:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge
Young Folk Church School, 9:00 a.m., Auditorium
CIC Meeting, Livingston Room, following worship
Social Concerns Meeting, Jamison Lounge, following worship
Presbyterian Women's Thank Offering/Vesper, 4:00 p.m., Auditorium
- Oct. 13 Prayer Conference Call, 9 p.m.
Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300, Access Code: 190784#
- Oct. 14 Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 11:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge
Noon Day Prayer Service, Chapel
Cherub Choir: 6:30 p.m., Choir Room
Celestial Choir: 7:30 p.m., Choir Room
Boy Scout's meeting: 6:30 p.m., Auditorium
Worship & Music Meeting: 6:30 p.m., Jamison
Budget Committee: 7:00 p.m., Library
- Oct. 16 Thankful Thursday. E-mail your reason to be thankful to nepc1@verizon.net
Interpretation and Stewardship, 1:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir: 7:30 p.m., Choir Room
- Oct. 18 **Health Fair:** 10:00 a.m., Church-wide
Food Pantry: 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon, Undercroft
Presbyterian Men, 9:00 a.m., Auditorium
Presbyterian Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Oct. 19 Usher Recognition Day/Sunday Morning Worship Service, 10 a.m.**

- Adult Church School**, 9:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge
Young Folk Church School, 9:00 a.m., Auditorium
 40th Anniversary Committee meeting following worship service
 In the Livingston Room
 Deacons' meeting, following worship, Jamison Lounge
 Trustees' meeting following worship
- Oct. 20 Prayer Conference Call, 9 p.m.
 Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300, Access Code: 190784#
 AARP General Meeting, 10-2:00 p.m., Auditorium
- Oct. 21 Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 11:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge
 Noon Day Prayer Service, Chapel
 Cherub Choir: 6:30 p.m., Choir Room
 Celestial Choir: 7:30 p.m., Choir Room
- Oct. 22 Session Meeting, 7 p.m., Jamison Lounge
- Oct. 23 Thankful Thursday. E-mail your reason to be thankful
 to nepc1@verizon.net
 Chancel Choir: 7:30 p.m., Choir Room
- Oct. 26 **Sunday Morning Worship Service**, 10:00 a.m.
Adult Church School, 9:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge
Young Folk Church School, 9:00 a.m., Auditorium
- Oct. 27 Prayer Conference Call, 9 p.m.
 Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300, Access Code: 190784#
- Oct. 28 Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 11:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge
 Noon Day Prayer Service, Sanctuary
- Oct. 30 Thankful Thursday. E-mail your reason to be thankful
 to nepc1@verizon.net
 Chancel Choir: 7:30 p.m., Choir Room

**NORTHEASTERN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
VISION STATEMENT**

As we rely on God's guidance, the vision of Northeastern Presbyterian Church is to fulfill the command of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to promote Christian faith and practice through evangelism, outreach, compassion and fellowship to our congregation and the wider Community.

We commit to:

- Worship
- Witness
- Learn
- Grow
- Nurture
- Serve



3-Elbert Gregg, 10-Meagan Cuff, Donald Waters, 11-Madlyn Fisher,
12-Phyllis Fautleroy, 14-Ryan Spriggs, 15-Vernon Jones, Pia Matthews,
17-Phylicia Bowman

**World
Communion
Sunday**



The Celebration of the Lord's
Supper
October 5, 2014

INVITATION

One: The table is set. The feast is ready.
Many: We are here! We are ready!
One: Where are your sisters? Where are your brothers?
Many: They have their own tables. Let us eat.
One: Our community is incomplete.
Many: Christ will make us whole.
One: Christ our Lord is broken. Let us pray.

COMMUNION PRAYER

One: God be beyond you.
Many: God be beyond us.
One: Make your hearts humble.
Many: We are humble before God.
One: Let us confess to God Most High.
Many: It is right to concede our sins to God.
One: You are beautiful, O Christ, in all your people and in all the world. But we have failed to affirm Your beauty and presence in others, certain that we were good enough to be Your Body by ourselves. We have neglected to welcome brothers and sisters at our table. We have neglected to meet you outside our church walls and social circles.
Many: How we are missing out on the diversity of You! How we are missing out on the fullness of Your love! How we are missing out on the depth of Your grace in the work of listening to and understanding one another!
One: In the flesh of Jesus, a Middle Eastern man, a man born into poverty, a man who roamed with a gang, a man who inconvenienced the status quo with His protests against injustice, a man

who welcomed the dirty and the sick and the foreign and the cast-out, in Jesus Christ You reveal to us the brokenness of Your heart. In Jesus Christ, You reveal to us the brokenness of ourselves.

Many: We are broken and torn, splintered and disjointed as we gather at Your table. Our prayers of compassion lack commitment to reconciliation. Our songs of praise lack a diversity of voices. We dare not sing or pray before You, so entrenched are we in our sin. Instead we wait in silence, listening as "Holy, holy, holy" is sung by your people around the world.
[silence is kept]

BLESSING OF ELEMENTS

One: We remember that Jesus' closest friends did not know how to stand by Him when violence and injustice threatened His life. Yet even as His allies failed him, Jesus invited them to sit at the table and to dine with Him, saying: "Take, eat. This bread is my body, broken into pieces like you. Take, drink. This cup is my blood, spilled out on the earth. As often as you divide yourselves, remember Me. As often as you kill one another, remember Me."

O God, by Your grace, bless this naan and cornbread and pita used throughout Your world to our bitter remembrance. Multiply the sake and wine and sparkling cider with our humble repentance. Do not withhold Your Spirit from this bread and cup and each of us, but stir among us for the purpose of healing. Then while our hearts are still tender, change us to be more like Your Body — beautifully diverse, willing to be pieced together in new ways alongside our sisters and brothers, until at last we bring glory to you. Amen.

One: Take, eat.
Many: **The bread of brokenness.**
One: Take, drink.
Many: **The cup of reconciliation.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All: **For what You have given us, God, thank you. For what You call us to be and do, God, thank you. For filling us again, thank you! Help us to be, all that You know we can be. In Christ's name, in Your love, we ask it. Amen.**