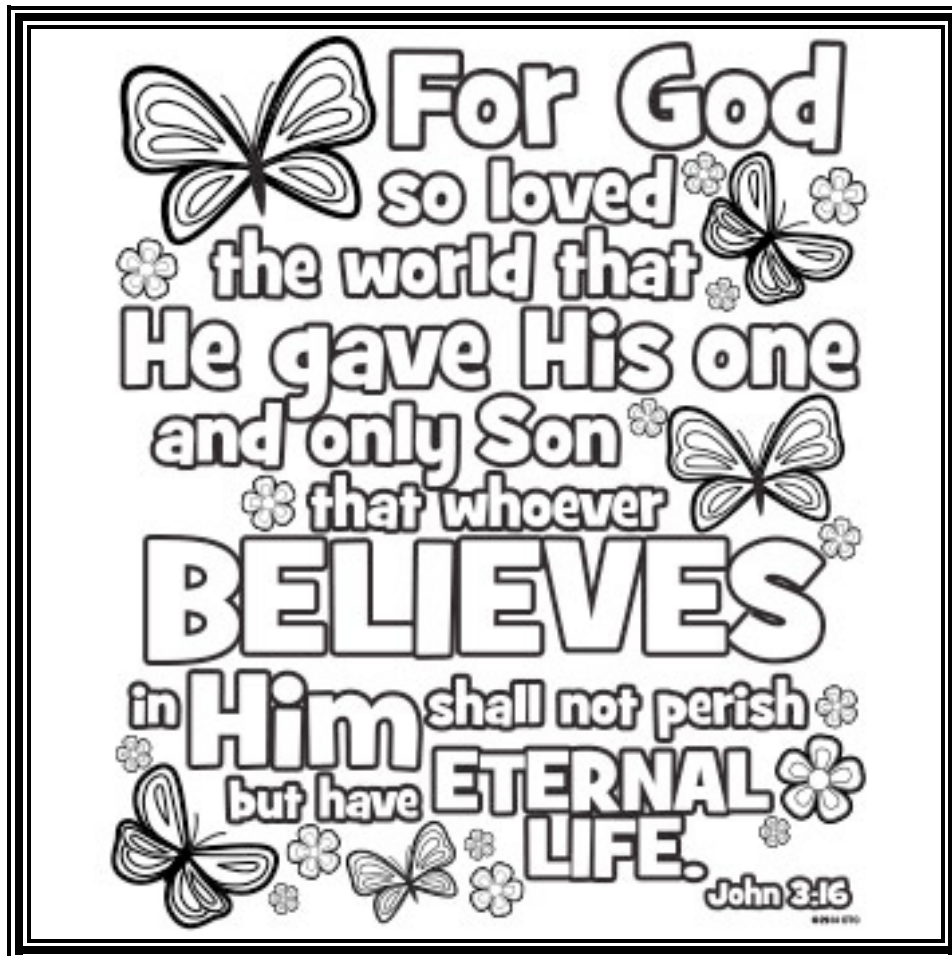


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March 15, 2015

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

The Rev. Nancy E. Thornton, Pastor

†*Prayer of Confession

One: By nature, we are impatient, irritated, grumbling, disobedient children, always demanding our way. But God, who is good and kind and gentle, comes to transform us, by grace, into the people we are meant to be. Let us open ourselves to the One who overflows with love for us, as we confess our sins to God.

All: **The Light of the world has come, Ceaseless Creator, but we admit we love the shadows all around us. For there, we can boast of our achievements, rather than point to your grace; there, we can grumble of our unhappiness with you, instead of singing your praises; there, we can give into our natural anger, and not be touched by your call to be agents of peace and hope.**
Forgive us, Eternal Love: lead us from the shadows of sin into the light of your joy; raise us up, as your children so we may kneel in service to others; shower us with the grace, the hope, the peace you have brought to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen. *(Silence is kept)*

God's Good News

One: Let the community of faith say so:

Many: **God's love endures forever!**

One: Let those gathered in grace say so:

Many: **God's love endures forever!**

One: Let those gathered at Northeastern Presbyterian Church say so:

Many: **God's love endures forever!**

One: This is the good news for us:

One: **God's love endures forever.**

Announcements

Welcome to our Visitors

*Passing the Peace #98, SOZ

"Glory, Glory

Hallelujah"

One: May the peace of Christ be with you!

All: **And also with you!**

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD



Children's Message

Pastor

Response #304, Hymnal

"Jesus Loves

Me"

Invitation to the Offering

*People of God, let us offer our sacrifice of thanksgiving,
telling of God's deeds with songs of joy.*

Offertory

"Stayed on Jesus"

The Chancel Choir

*Doxology #592, Hymnal
Flow"

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings

†*Prayer of Dedication

Merciful God, we thank you for your wonderful works among humankind. Accept this offering with the dedication of our lives and help us to be for the world an emblem of your steadfast love, In Jesus Christ. Amen.

†Anthem
Choir

"Breath of God"

The Chancel

†Prayer of Illumination

Almighty God, by the power of the Holy Spirit, open your Word and illumine our darkened world, that we may see clearly and live faithfully by the light of your truth in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Numbers 21:4-9, p. 122, Pew Bible
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22, p. 487, Pew Bible
John 3:14-21, p. 864, Pew Bible

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

†Sermonic Selection

Mrs. Jeanette Nelson

Message
Thornton

Rev. Nancy

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Song of Affirmation 85, Hymnal
This"

"What Wondrous Love Is

†Prayers of the People

The Prayer Jesus Taught, p. 16, Hymnal

WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

*Hymn Insert

"We Are Marching in the Light of God"

The Charge and Blessing

Choral Benediction

Postlude

LECTIONARY: NUMBERS 21:4-9; PSALM 107:1-3, 17-22; EPHESIANS 2:1-10; JOHN 3:14-21

Today's Worship Leadership

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Greeters: Elder Pam Jackson and Mr. Ron Lewis

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Mrs. Dorothy Samuel Smith – Tabacoville, NC (Sister of Hasker Samuel)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

40TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE FUNDRAISER: Blue T-Shirts and Polo Shirts are available for purchase now in sizes: large, extra-large, and 2X. If you have not purchased you 40th Anniversary t-shirts/polo shirts stop by the church office. The 40th Anniversary committee needs your support.

40TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE will meet today in the Nursery, on the 3rd floor, following worship service.

BROKEN FOR YOU LENTEN BIBLE STUDY is being held every Wednesday in the month of March, at 7:00 p.m., in the Jamison Lounge. Please reserve your copy of the resource material for \$5.00 or download a copy of "Broken For You" Meditation and Lenten Study resource, at <http://wcrc.ch/broken-for-you-lenten-resource-now-ready/>. Tell your family, friends and neighbors all are welcome.

CHURCH SCHOOL - The annual church school play for 2015, is setting up for rehearsals. All elementary, middle and high school students are asked to please come out and participate. Due to inclement weather and time constraints we will try to get permission to practice during church school time starting at 9:00 A.M. There may be a couple of evening rehearsals also to practice the music. Thanks in advance to all parents and students who are willing to help. If there are any questions please contact church school staff regarding this worthwhile event.

CHURCH-WIDE GATHERING OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA begins Thursday, June 18, 2015 and concludes on Sunday, June 21, 2015. Please contact Ernestine Brown for your registration booklet.

FRIENDLY REMINDER: Session will meet Sunday, March 22 following worship service.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS. The NEPC Men's Council is hosting a gathering on Saturday, March 21, 2015, 9:00-12 noon. Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson, Director, Office of Public Witness (PCUSA) will be our featured guest. Details will follow.

THE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will study Lesson Five: Reconciliation and the Whole Creation and Lesson Six: The Aroma of God Among Us on Saturday, March 14 at 10:00 a.m. in the Presbyterian Women room on the third floor of the Education Building. The PWCT will meet after Bible study. Kindly read 2 Corinthians Chapters 2, 5 and 6 in preparation for the discussion. All women are encouraged to attend.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: As Stewards in God's Kingdom our lives overflow with infinite good. We are wealthy because the presence of God is within us. Anytime we think there is not enough, we affirm and give thanks for all that we have. Our deepening faith in **TIME, TALENT and TREASURE** brings us greater confidence, strength and courage to be givers. God's abundant goodness fills every part of our lives and blesses us to give generously in all that we do. -Psalm 145:7

TO THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF NORTHEASTERN: Please remember the Social Concerns Committee when planning your donations for the year 2015. As you know, our outreach is determined by the level of your giving. Your donations are used to support charitable non-profit organizations, assist the needy, host public forums and support our annual health fair. We thank you for your past donations and pray for your continued support.

TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS: Students who are graduating from high school and college/university are requested to submit their name, address, phone number and the name of the school from which they are graduating to the Higher Education Commission box, located on the Breezeway.

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 her relationship with Him. Please join us in studying the Word.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE will be offering Memorial Lilies for sale after each Sunday Worship Service beginning today through March 29, 2014. Lilies will cost \$13.00 per plant. Lilies will be available for pick up after Easter Service on April 4th. Contact any member of the Worship and Music Committee to place your order and make a payment. If you have any questions contact Elder James Haggins, Committee Chair at 301 262 0080. Thank you in advance for your support.

IN MEMORY OF DEACON RALPH JEFFERSON

A Memorial Service for Ralph Jefferson will be held at Northeastern Presbyterian Church on Saturday, March 28th at 5:00 p.m.

THIS MONTH @ NORTHEASTERN

- Mar. 15 Sunday Morning Worship Service, 10 a.m.**
Adult Church School, 9:00a.m., Jamison Lounge
Young Folk Church School, 9:00a.m., Auditorium
40th Anniversary Committee Meeting, Nursery
Deacons' meeting following worship
- Mar. 16 Prayer Conference Call, 9 p.m.
Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300, Access Code: 190784#
AARP General Meeting, 10-2:00 p.m., Auditorium
- Mar. 17 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
Budget & Finance Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Jamison Lounge
- Mar. 18 Lenten Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., Jamison Lounge**
- Mar. 19 Thankful Thursday. E-mail your reason to be thankful to nepc1@verizon.net
Chancel Choir: 7:30 p.m., Choir Room
- Mar. 21 Food Pantry: 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon, Undercroft
Presbyterian Men, 7:00 a.m., Auditorium
Presbyterian Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Mar. 22 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
Session meeting following worship service, Jamison Lounge
Trustees' meeting following worship, 3rd Floor
- Mar. 23 Prayer Conference Call, 9 p.m.
Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300, Access Code: 190784#
- Mar. 24 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

Mar. 25 Lenten Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., Jamison Lounge
Thankful Thursday. E-mail your reason to be thankful
to nepc1@verizon.net

Mar. 29 Youth 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

Mar. 30 Prayer Conference Call, 9 p.m.
Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300, Access Code: 190784#

Mar. 31 Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 11:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge
Noon Day Prayer Service, Chapel

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-Rosalyn Cephas, 6-Barbara Wright, 11-Carla Ester,
14-Tonya Vincent, 19-Mary Minor, 20-Jaryn Gessesse,
27-Clara Rich, 28-Rutha Hodges, 31-Clarence Wade

**If your birthday is not listed contact the church
office and have your name added to the list.**