

# Northeastern Presbyterian Church

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10:00 a.m. Worship Service

*The Rev. Nancy E. Thornton, Pastor*

# Northeastern Presbyterian Church



## Eleventh 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. Since we all have needs, during the closing hymn, you are invited to join our pastor at the chancel steps to pray, give thanks, dedicate or re-dedicate your life to Christ.*

† 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                      *"Every Praise" Hezekiah Walker*                      Family and  
Friends

Greetings

† Invocation

† \*Call to Worship

One:                      Holy One, our contractions are minutes apart.

**Many:** You stretch out your hand; You deliver.  
**One:** You coach us through pain as the pangs of birth make way for something new.  
**Many:** You stretch out your hand; You deliver.  
**One:** "Push!" you say as Your new creation appears.  
**Many:** You stretch out your hand; You deliver.  
**One:** Holy One, fulfill this purpose in us. Labor with our hands to create new life.  
**Many:** You stretch out Your hand; You deliver.

\*Hymn #281, Hymnal

*"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

### †\*Prayer of Confession

Mother God, stand on the birth stool with us. The pain is too much to bear. Our world has dealt so "shrewdly" with Your people that Your renewal seems impossible. Fears of economic uncertainty confront us all and seem to limit our choices. Fears of immigrants and strangers in our midst seem to require walls. Fears about changing traditions seem to require blocks to new family expressions. We lament, Father God, but we don't push through the fear. Let us open ourselves to labor with You. Stand on the birth stool with us. Push us to labor in Your love, we pray. Amen

### †\*God's Good News

**One:** The God of Moses and Miriam, "I AM WHO I AM", makes a way for you. God holds your hand and insists upon life. You are a channel of God's love, now and always.  
**Many:** Praise be to the God of life who is, now and forever!

### Announcements

### Welcome to our Visitors

Passing the Peace #114, SOZ  
*News?"*

*"Ain't Dat Good*

**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 praise and thanks, we create new life. With vigor and sweat, we deliver our love. With care and hope, we stretch out our hands. We give our gifts of tithes and offerings to renew the world again.*

† Offertory     *"My God is Awesome"* Charles Jenkins     Family and Friends

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

## †\*Prayer of Dedication

Loving God, with praise and thanks, vigor and sweat, care and hope, we bless these gifts in Your love. In Christ Jesus, we pray. Amen.

† Anthem     *"Jesus at the Center"* Israel & New Breed     Family and Friends

## †Prayer of Illumination

O God, Your Word is more precious than fine gold, and sweeter than purest honey. As we turn to Your Scripture, send Your Holy Spirit to infuse Your Word with truth and grace — so that the good news of Your love would shine before our eyes and delight our senses ... so that we cannot help but respond with wonder, faith and trust. Amen.

Scripture Readings:     Exodus 1:8-2:10, p. 43, Pew Bible

Psalm 138, p. 503, Pew Bible

Matthew 16:13-20, p. 798, Pew Bible

One: This is **the** Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God!**

† Sermonic Selection     *"Turning Away"* Bryan Wilson     Family and Friends

Message  
Thornton

Rev. Nancy

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* Song of Affirmation

## There Are Many Ways of Sharing

NETTLETON 8.7.8.7 D ("Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing")

There are many ways of sharing; But God's Spirit gives each one.  
There are different ways of caring; It's one Lord whose work is done.  
God, whose gifts are overflowing, May we hear you when you call;  
Keep us serving, keep us growing For the common good of all.

We've been baptized in the waters! We've been given work to do.  
When you call your sons and daughters, You give gifts for serving you.  
God, we join in celebration Of the talents you impart.  
Bless each baptized one's vocation; Give each one a servant's heart.

All are blest by gifts you give us; Some are set apart to lead.  
Give us Jesus' love within us As we care for those in need.  
Give us faith to make decisions; Give us joy to share your Word.  
Give us unity and vision As we serve your church and world.

## † Prayers of the People

## † The Prayer Jesus Taught

**WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR**

\*Hymn #210, Hymnal

*"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"*

## \*Charge and Blessing

## Postlude

LECTIONARY: EXODUS 1:8-2:10; PSALM 124; ROMANS 12:1-8; MATTHEWS 16:13-20

Today's Worship Leadership

Liturgist: Elder Blossom Roach

Greeters: Elder Charles Barber and Deacon Joseph Witherspoon

## 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



**1-Harriette Hemby, Shirley Logan; 10-Rose Wheeler, Bernidine Pinkney; 11-Thomas Midgette, Jr.; 12-Savannah Miller; 13-Katerra Jones, Valerie McCray, Cleveland Leggett; 14-Ernestine Brown, Margie Wilson; 17-Kimberly Bowling-Lewis, Jacqueline Barber; 20-Charlotte Smoot; 23-Robert Storey; 26-Trevor Spriggs; 28-Jordan Gessesse; 31-Maggie Mathis**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Are **YOU** providing *maximum support* for **Northeastern ministries?**  
**Homecoming 2014**

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE** will meet today following worship service, in the Livingston Room.

**CRAB FEAST:** Have you purchased your ticket(s) yet? The members of CIC will be in the Livingston room after worship service with **your** ticket.

**HENDERSON CHAPEL OPEN:** Our Chapel is open continuously for prayer, introspection and meditation. We hope this Chapel will provide our members, neighbors and visitors to our Church an opportunity to pray, reflect and most of all a time to personally commune with God.

**LITERARY CLUB MEMBERS** invite you to join us in the library on Sept. 1st immediately following the morning service for a discussion of our September selection ***Americanah***, by multiple-prize-winning novelist C. N. Adichie.

**HOMECOMING VOLUNTEERS:** Anyone who wants to work on the homecoming committee please meet in the Jamison lounge following worship service today.

**THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE** is seeking candidates for the offices of Elder, Deacon, and Trustee as well as positions on the Nominating Committee. Nomination forms are in the Narthex and the Breezeway. Please place your nomination form in the RED BOX marked "**Nominating Committee**" in the Narthex. Please be prayerful and nominate yourself or individuals who are willing to work hard and serve Northeastern. The period for nominating candidates to serve as officers and committee members closes, **Sunday October 5, 2014, at 12:00 PM (Noon)**. If you have any questions, you may contact Shawn Thomas at (301)500-8751 or Angela Hemphill at (240)643-3856.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER:** Summertime, leisure time and relaxing time are some of the impartial gifts of grace we enjoy from God. As stewards in His Kingdom, we say, "Thank You God." As a member of Northeastern Congregation we are in our third [3<sup>rd</sup>] quarter for 2014 and a busy fall calendar is approaching fast. The Stewardship Committee would like to thank you for all that you do and remind members who have been away and need to update their pledges and offerings to please do this, as-soon-as-possible.

Ephesians 2:8

**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS** will meet at 11:00 a.m., in the Jamison Lounge. We will study about creation, the fall of man, redemption and relationships in the Book of Genesis. Come, be a part of the discussion.

**WHY BIKE ALONE! COME JOIN US! THE NORTHEASTERN BIKE CLUB!** Starting Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00p.m. and Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup> @9:00a.m. and every Wednesday and Saturday thereafter through November. The Bike Club is open to anyone who cycles or wishes to start cycling. Meet at the Northeastern Church parking lot on Wednesday, August 27, for our first friendly, social and relaxing ride along a portion of the Northeastern Branch Trail. Try this ride and see what you've been missing. For more details, see enclosed Club information or contact BOB ROBINSON in church, at [rcrsr@verizon.net](mailto:rcrsr@verizon.net), or at 202-832-5984.

**DRESS FOR SUCCESS:** If you donated clothing items to the organization, Dress for Success, you may pick up a tax deductible donation receipt from the church office.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** will meet today following worship in the Jamison Lounge.

**GUEST SINGERS FOR WORSHIP SERVICE** on **Sunday, August 31** will be **Kehembe Eichelberger, Sylvia Twine, and Shawnee Ball** - - better known as Tre Mezzi (pronounced *tray MED-zee*.) The trio will be accompanied by the ever popular **Everett P. Williams, Jr**, Director of Music and Liturgical Arts at the Asbury United Methodist Church, Washington, DC. Tre Mezzi has performed at the Reginald Lewis Museum in Baltimore, MD and the Embassy of the Czech Republic as well as churches in the metropolitan DC area. It is the hope of Tre Mezzi that the musical selections to be presented will bring healing to the soul.

### **THIS WEEK AT NORTHEASTERN**

- Aug. 24**      **Sunday Morning Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.**  
**Adult Church School, 9:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge**
- Aug. 25**      Prayer Conference Call, 9p.m.  
Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300, Access Code: 190784#
- Aug. 26**      Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 11:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge  
Noon Day Prayer Service, Sanctuary
- Aug. 28**      Thankful Thursday

**EVERY PRAISE – (Hezekiah Walker)**

Every praise is to our God  
Every word of worship with one accord  
Every praise, every praise is to our God.

Sing hallelujah to our God  
Glory hallelujah is due our God  
Every praise, every praise is to our God. (**repeat section 4x**)

**God my savior**  
**God my healer**  
**God my deliverer**  
**Yes he is, yes he is (repeat 2x)**

Every praise is to our God  
Every word of worship with one accord  
Every praise, every praise is to our God. (**repeat 3x**)