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May 22, 2016

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

The Rev. Nancy E. Thornton, Pastor

Northeastern Presbyterian Church

Trinity Sunday



WOMEN'S DAY

*We at **Northeastern Presbyterian Church** extend to every person a Christ-inspired welcome. As a family of Christians we strive to reflect God's unconditional love for everyone. We recognize the blessings of diversity and celebrate the uniqueness of all who worship here. We welcome all people in the life of our congregation. We are happy to have you here!*

****We stand with our hearts or our postures**

‡Do Not Enter

SOZ refers to the "Songs of Zion" hymnal

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAISE AND PRAYER

Prelude

Choral Introit

"Grant Me A Blessing"

The Women's Day

Choir

Greetings

****Invocation**

"My God" – by Myrtle Simpson

Singing God's Praises

The Women's Day

Choir

****Call to Worship**

One: We remember Ruth, who left her home out of devotion to her mother-in-law.

Many: We remember Esther, who risked her life to save her people from genocide.

One: This is the day set aside to honor women: We remember Sarah, who laughed at conception, and later gave birth to Isaac; she became the mother of Israel.

Many: We remember Mary, whose strong sense of love and justice nurtured Jesus.

One: We remember Anna, the prophetess; the woman at the well; and the three women at the tomb, who recognized a vision that the rest of the world missed.

All: We honor these women created in God's image, as well as the women who have influenced our lives.

*Hymn #36, SOZ

"Oh, How I Love Jesus"

🕯️Prayer Of Confession

O Lord, forgive us for the times we have ignored the cries of women: the women of faith whose stories we forget, the mothers who watched their children go off to war, the wives and friends who were left behind to struggle alone; the women who followed their vision in pursuit of human dignity; the homemakers who provided nurturing safe space. Make us sensitive to the anguished cries that echo still: the homeless, the poor, the hungry and ill, the lonely, the aged. O God, who loves us like a mother, forgives us. Amen.

- Silence is kept -

🕯️God's Good News

One: Inasmuch as God birthed us, nursed us, encouraged us to grow, God will also forgive and accept us. God's gift is unconditional love. May we accept this gift as our challenge to do likewise.

Many: Amen.

Announcements

Welcome to our Visitors

**Passing the Peace #114, SOZ

"Ain't Dat Good

News?"

One: May the peace of Christ be with you!

Many: And also with you!

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Nancy

Response #304, Hymnal

"Jesus Loves

Me"

Invitation to the Offering

Out of the abundance of God's own life, we have received the abundance of God's creation, God's word, and God's love. Why, then, should we live as though we are threatened with scarcity? Let us return to God a portion of all that we have been given, with joyous and glad abandon.

🕯️ Offertory

"Grateful"

The Women's Day Choir

**Doxology #592, Hymnal

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, you have poured out so much for us – the beauty of the world, the care of family and friends, meaningful labor, and the gift of the church. We give you thanks for these and many other gifts. More especially, we thank you for pouring your love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Through these offerings, may your love spill over in glad abundance that brings relief, renewal, and hope to those in need. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

🕯️ Anthem

"Come, O Fount of Every Blessing"

The Women's Day Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Living Word, you still have many things to say to us. Speak, and we will try to bear them. By your Word, may the Spirit guide us into all truth, that our lives may glorify you. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Genesis 17:15-21, p.12, Pew Bible

Esther 4:12-17, p.388, Pew Bible

Luke 1:30-38, p.831, Pew Bible

Matthew 15: 21-28, p.797, Pew Bible

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God!**

🕯️ Sermonic Selection

"Oh The Blood"

The Women's Day Choir

Message

"Being A Christian Woman ..."

Deacon Miriam Pegram

Elder Arnicia Downing

Elder Blossom Roach

Deacon Cherie' Young Becton

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**A Litany for Women's Day* by Myrtle Simpson

Leader: As Presbyterian women, we affirm that God has brought us together for a common purpose, and given us a diverse community of women for the journey.

All Women: Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to the journey.

Leader: God has given each of specific gifts, and called us to serve through His Call. Please affirm your commitment to the Church by answering these questions: Will you accept God's call through your gifts, to carry out the mission of the Church?

All Women: With God's help and the help of God's people, we will.

Leader: Will you recognize our own limitations and accept input from the young and leadership from a newcomer?

All Women: With God's help and encouragement from the people of God, we will.

Leader: Will you acknowledge your own potential and offer support to the weak and protection for the vulnerable?

All Women: With God's help and encouragement from the people of God, we will.

Leader: Will you seek to serve from the heart, not looking to your own interest, but each of you to take interest in others?

All Women: With God's help, abiding love and blessings, we will.

Prayer

Women and Men: Merciful God, you have called each of us by name, and equipped us all with unique abilities. Grant that we might be devoted to your commandments and serve others in your name. My we live and minister in such a way that the might witness God's wide embrace. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Prayer That Jesus Taught

WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

****Hymn** #536, Hymnal

"Lord, Make Us More Holy"

****Charge and Blessing**

Choral Benediction

(Please Be Seated until after the Postlude)

Postlude:

LECTIONARY: PROVERB8:1-4, 22-31; PSALM 8; ROMAN5:1-5; JOHN 16:12-15
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Liturgist: Elder Shirley Logan

Greeters: Elders Geonard Butler and Charles Barber



1-Hazel Ward, 2-Louise Mikell, 6-Jacqueline Cook, 7-Sylvia Samuel ,
15-Joseph Witherspoon, 18-Sydnae Becton , 23-Shirley Wilson,
24-Stacey Brown, 26-Tommy Brown, III, Arlene Leggett, 30-Cynthia
Gervais

If you want your birthday listed contact the church office.

CONGRATULATION

Today Estrelida and Harold Henderson celebrate their 61st wedding anniversary.

Announcements

INTERPRETATION AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE (GGC) The Stewardship Committee is still accepting donations for Pentecost Offering and if you have not given, "Please" do so

today." The funds are used for mission work to help young people, locally and worldwide. For your own growth, for the growth of the mission ministry of Northeastern and the Presbytery, Be generous. It's an expression of faith!

THE NORTHEASTERN SAINTS BOWLING LEAGUE is seeking bowlers for its upcoming 2016-2017 season. The League is a group of Christian bowlers who come together each Monday for an evening of fun, fellowship and bowling. If you are interested in joining us or know of someone who is please contact: Benjamin Glenn, Thelma Jones or Glynis Pegram-Higgs.

THE CHURCH OFFICE is updating the Church directory. The updated contact information forms will be available in the Narthex. Please fill out the form and place it in the church office mailbox in the Breezeway.

THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE needs you! The Social Concerns Committee is establishing a donation drive for several selected charities. Each selected month(s), the committee will choose an item(s) of particular need and give the accumulated items to local organizations in need. The item(s) selected for **May 2016** distribution are **washcloths and soap**, and the designated organization is the COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS. A donation box has been placed in the Narthex. All donated items specifically designated for the submitted months are welcome. Thank you.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: We are studying the Book of Acts on Tuesday mornings. This book is the first written history of the Christian church. The life of the early church is recorded: introduction to the beginning of the church, the church in Jerusalem, the church scattered into Palestine and Syria and the church advancing to the end of the earth. Please join us.

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2016 IS MEN'S DAY AT NORTHEASTERN. In preparation for this special day, the Men's Chorus will rehearse at 6:30 pm on Thursdays, May 26, June 2, and June 9, 2016. Men, we need your support! Each rehearsal will last about one hour. Thank you.

Events this Month @ Northeastern

- May 22 **Church School for All Ages**, 9:00 a.m.
Women's Day: Sunday Morning Worship Service: 10 a.m.
Trustee Meeting-3rd floor, following worship service
- May 24 Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 11:00 a.m., Jamison Lounge
Noon Day Prayer Service: Chapel
- May 25 Session Mtg., Jamison Lounge, 7:00 p.m.
- May 26 AA/NA, 6:30p.m.
Thankful Thursday. E-mail your reason to be thankful to nepc1@verizon.net
- May 28 Food and Friends
- May 29 **Church Schools for All Ages**, 9:00 a.m.

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