



**“WHERE EVERYBODY IS SOMEBODY,
AND JESUS IS LORD”**

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Welcome to Northeastern Presbyterian Church

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAISE AND PRAYER

+ *Please stand if able*

QUOTE OF THE DAY (Nina Simone)

The structure. The cleanliness. The tone. The nuances. The implications. The silence. The dynamics. The pianissimos. The fortissimos. All has to do with sound and music. And it's as close to God as I know.

PRELUDE

+ INTROIT

The Celestial Choir

+ INVOCATION

+ CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 96)

ONE O sing to God a new song; sing to God, all the earth!

ALL Sing to God; tell of God's salvation from day to day.

ONE Declare God's glory among the nations,
and marvelous works among all the people!

**ALL Honor and majesty are before God;
strength and beauty are in God's sanctuary.**

ONE Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea
roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!

**ALL Then shall all the trees of the wood sing for joy before
God!**

+ OPENING HYMN #464 (Hymnal) "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

PRAYER FOR ARTISTS (Unison, from The Book of Common Prayer)

O God, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: Be ever present with your servants who seek through art and music to glorify You in the praises offered by your people on earth; and grant to them even now glimpses of your beauty, and make them worthy at length to behold it unveiled for evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

PASSING THE PEACE

(Unmuted devices and turn on cameras to greet one another in love)

One: May the peace of Christ be with you!
Many: And also, with you! **Peace be with you!**

ANTHEM SELECTION

The Celestial Choir

TIME WITH CHILDREN

THE OFFERING

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2112 Varnum St., NE
Washington, DC 20018

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+ THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!**

+ PRAYER OF PRAISE (unison)

(From the hymn "When in Our Music God is Glorified)

When in our music, God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride, it is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound, as worship moved us to a more profound alleluia!

So has the church, in liturgy and song, in faith and love, through centuries of wrong, borne witness to the truth in every tongue:

Alleluia!

Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise! And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!

Amen.

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

THE EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 5:18b-20

... be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMONIC SELECTION

The Celestial Choir

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor Greiner

THE PSALM READING Psalm 98

O sing to the LORD a new song, for God has done marvelous things. God's right hand and God's holy arm have gained victory.

The LORD has made known God's victory; God has revealed God's vindication in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered God's steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the LORD, for God is coming to judge the earth. God will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

DIALOGUE SERMON Joshua Jenkins & Pastor Mark Greiner

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in Unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SEEKING A CHURCH HOME?

+ CLOSING HYMN -

Joshua Jenkins

WE GO FORTH AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

+ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Lectionary: Acts 2:42-47 and Psalm 23 or Ezekiel 34:7-15 and Psalm 100; 1 Peter 2: 19-25; John 10:1-10
Liturgist: Elder William Hymes, Jr.
Greeter: Deacon Bishetta Merritt

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS – The Northeastern Church Adult Sunday School Class convenes Sundays at 9:00 a.m. via conference call. The focus for Spring 2025-2026 Lessons is “Social Teachings of the Church.” You are cordially invited to join us next Sunday, May 3rd, discussion on “The Higher Patriotism,” Jonah 1-4. Please dial **(267) 807-9601 Passcode 828-160-800** to participate in the lively conversations with church members.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LITERARY CLUB **Book selections for 2025**

LITERARY CLUB - Please join us via Zoom at 1:30 pm every first Sunday for the book discussion of the month.

May 3rd --- **Harlem Rhapsody**, by Victoria Christopher Murray

June 7th --- **Rootless: a Novel**, by Krystle Zara Appiah

July 5th ---- **Uncommon favor: Basketball, North Philly...**, by Dawn Staley

August 2nd --- **I Hope You Find What You're Looking For**, by Bsrat Mezghebe

September 6th --- **Let Us March On: a Novel**, by Shara Moon

RANKED CHOICE VOTING: A representative from the DC Board of Elections will explain Ranked Choice Voting on Sunday, May 3, 2026 immediately following worship service.

REMEMBER THE SICK AND SHUT IN: The list printed in the bulletin will be updated each week to reflect additions and deletions. Reach out to our sick and shut in a safe way that lets them know they are in our hearts, minds, and prayers. Please contact the church office if you know the names of people who should be added to the sick-and-shut-in list or if you have updates on anyone listed.

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**



THOUGHTS & PRAYERS ARE WITH NORTHEASTERN MEMBERS & FAMILY:



“Heal me, Lord, and I will be healed ; save me, and I will be saved, for You are my praise.” (Jeremiah 17:14)

ATTENTION NORTHEASTERN!

It's time for our

ANNUAL HOMELESS SUPPORT DRIVE!

Sponsored by the Social Concerns and Outreach Committee



Please support our unhoused neighbors and community members that are experiencing food insecurities, shelter issues, and mental health needs.

**We strive to assist our fellow neighbors
Please feel free to donate items such as:**

Non-perishable Snacks

Lunchables
Dried Fruits
Nuts
Fruit Cups
Water, etc.

Personal care items

Toothbrushes
Toothpaste
Hand Sanitizer
Socks
Blankets

Our drive will conclude
on **June 7, 2026**

All items can be
dropped off in the
Jamison lounge.

For any questions, please contact:
Bill Hymes, Patricia Young, or any other Social Concerns and Outreach member.
Thanks for your tremendous support and generosity!

We are supporting
United Planning Organization (UPO)
301 Rhode Island Ave. NW., Washington DC 20001

GOD BLESS YOU!

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NEPC SEASON OF PRAYER
Wednesday Evenings 7:00 - 7:30
pm.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82013197793>

Please come join in music and prayer with our Elders.

Pray with our beloved congregation as we face major decisions for our future.

We'll learn more about how to incorporate these themes in our prayer life.

April 29 Gratitude

May 6 Compassion

May 13 Guidance

May 20 Change

May 27 Hope

Staff

Ministers
Pastor (Stated Supply)
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Budget & Fiscal
Buildings & Grounds

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Interpretation & Stewardship
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Technology Committee

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