



**“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

PRELUDE Jon Batiste Fur Elise

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-5YRhvH6Uys&list=RD-5YRhvH6Uys&start_radio=1

INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP (Early Scottish Prayer)

One I am giving You worship with my whole life,
All I am giving You assent with my whole power,
One I am giving You reverence with my whole understanding,
All I am giving You offering with my whole thought,
One I am giving You praise with my whole fervor,
All I am giving You love with my whole devotion,
One I am giving You kneeling with my whole desire,
All I am giving You love with my whole heart,
One I am giving You affection with my whole sense,
All I am giving You my soul, O God of all gods.

OPENING HYMN "Wade in the Water"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fxZ4H-gq_lc&list=RDfxzZ4H-gq_lc&start_radio=1

CALL TO CONFESSION (Luke 9:23-25)

Jesus said: If anyone would come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever would save their life will lose it; and whoever loses their life for my sake, will save it. For what does it profit to gain the whole world and loses oneself?
Let us pray:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jesus, of our heart's desiring, we want to walk with you.
And yet, try as we might, so often we are ensnared.
Jesus, in your mercy, deliver us from what binds us and blinds us.
Help us lay aside any hindrance keeping us from running the race
of faith with endurance.

Holy God, just as you delivered the Hebrews from slavery in Egypt,
deliver us from all that seeks to enslave us.

Where we love familiarity more than we love You,
Jesus, forgive us.
Holy Spirit, where we would shrink back from Your calling to
change, mobilize us.
Where we fail in the Gospel ministry of reaching out to welcome
others, open us and move us.
Renew in us an abundance of faith and hope and trust.
Jesus, rebuild us in you, our Rock and Salvation, we pray....

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Let us rejoice in the Good News

ALL We are forgiven

We are freed

We are welcomed home

We are made new. Thank you, Jesus, 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!**

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DOXOLOGY

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MFDqrSCJOq4&list=PLmbjTLDIEpIJpHES5HrMKX03kkyY4RGa9&index=75>

OFFERTORY PRAYER (Unison Prayer of Paul, Ephesians 2)

Gracious God, according to the riches of your glory, grant that we may be strengthened in our inner being with power through the Spirit. Dwell in our hearts through faith, Lord Christ, as we are being rooted and grounded in love. Grant us the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know your love that surpasses knowledge, so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to God who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever, Amen.

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

THE FIRST GOSPEL READING Matthew 11:28-30

[Jesus said:] 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

SERMONIC SELECTION

"A Time" (based on Ecclesiastes 3)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d_e1Z2cDMMg&list=OLAK5uy_I4utPwBiyZqETv-5Ir55KGrdN5pDHXGE&index=10

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor Greiner

THE GOSPEL READING Luke 10:38–42

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so, she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

The is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Soul"

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. And 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 MUSIC "Alleluia, The Lord is My Shepherd"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JhzJ6ZPH-oA&list=RDJhzJ6ZPH-oA&start_radio=1

WE GO FORTH AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

BENEDICTION (Henri-Frederic Amiel – 1885)

Life is short, and we do not have much time
to gladden the hearts of those who
make the journey with us.

So... be swift to love,
and make haste to be kind.

And the blessing of God,
who made us, who loves us,
and who travels with us
be with you now and forever, Amen

FELLOWSHIP

Lectionary: Exodus 3:1-15 and Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b;
Complementary: Jeremiah 15:15-21 and Psalm 26:1-8;
Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28

Liturgist: Deacon Karen Cooper



October 4, 2026

Pastor Greiner's Farewell

Worship Reception to Follow



Please Keep Dorothy Williams and Family in Prayer.

THOUGHTS & PRAYERS ARE WITH NORTHEASTERN MEMBERS & FAMILY:





The Nominating Committee is Seeking Church Leaders for the Class of 2027?

The Nominating Committee has begun its search for the offices of Elder, Deacon, and Trustee, as well as positions on the Nominating Committee. Please consider nominating yourself or other members who are willing to serve Northeastern and who have agreed to have their names submitted. The nomination period closes on October 25, 2026, at 1 pm. If you have any questions, please contact any of the Nominating Committee members listed below.

Nomination Form

Name _____
Nominee _____

Phone _____
Phone _____

Leadership Position _____

If not a self-nomination, has the nominee agreed to serve?

Thank You

Nominating Committee Members

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Book selections for 2026

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

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.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Effective July 1, 2026, "The Tuesday Morning Bible Study group will be in recess until October 2026".

ZOOM MEETING ID: The **ZOOM MEETING ID** for our worship services is: Meeting ID: **876 1357 9552**; Passcode: **295504**

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.

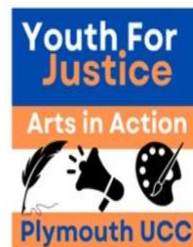
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Session one July, 11, 2026	Overview of capitalism: history, principles, and global impact
Session two August 8, 2026	Discussion of its benefits and challenges, including inequality and environmental concerns.
Session three September 19, 2026	Reflection on Christian teachings about wealth, poverty, and economic justice. "Enslavers' Bible" – White Christian Nationalism

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