



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

ZOOM: Hungry for God Summer Series

July 6, 2025 10:00 a.m.

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Welcome to Northeastern Presbyterian Church

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAISE AND PRAYER

Quote of the Day *Camille Pissarro. (Painter, born 1830)*

"Blessed are they who see beautiful things in humble places
where other people see nothing,"

INTROIT **Amazing Grace (Wynton Marsalis)**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qmqgYIMSL0c>

INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP (A Psalm Litany on Blessings)

One Lord, God All-Powerful, you bless everyone who trusts you.

All **You bless all of those who follow your commands
from deep in their hearts.**

One You bless those people who are honest and fair
in everything they do.

All **Our Lord, you bless those who live right, and you
shield them with your kindness.**

One May the Lord bless his people with peace and happiness
and let them celebrate.

All **You, Lord God, bless everyone who cares for the poor,
and you rescue those people in times of trouble.**

OPENING HYMN **Holy, Holy, Holy!**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=052zF3T73aA&t=22s>

Call to Reconciliation (Psalm 37: 27-28)

"Depart from evil, and do good; so you shall abide forever.

For the Lord loves justice; God will not forsake God's faithful ones." Let us pray...

Prayer of Confession Unison (with thanks to Gandhi)

God of justice and peace, make us your instruments in seeking that; there is no wealth without work; no pleasure without conscience; no technology and science without humanity and care for your creation; no knowledge without character and compassion; no politics without principle; no commerce without morality, and no worship without sacrifice.

Forgive us, for sins done on our behalf, for our benefit, or with our tax dollars.

We pray in the name of Jesus, Amen

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One For God so loved the world, God so cherishes us,
that God's Beloved gave his life for us.

All **That would not perish, but that we would have
life abundant! For this awesome gift, we praise God!
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!**

THE OFFERING

Use your bank's online bill-paying options

Mail your check to the church

2112 Varnum St., NE
Washington, DC 20018

Go to nepc-dc.org

Click on Donate or Cash App at the bottom of the page

OFFERTORY MUSIC

[Tasha Cobbs Leonard - Holy \(Performance Video\)](#)

PRAYER OF PRAISE (Unison, adapted from St. Francis of Assisi)

Praise our God: we whom Jesus calls friends!

Let us honor God, we faithful, small and great, young and old.

Let us praise and glorify God forever.

Let heaven and earth praise God's glory:

**all creatures in heaven, on earth, and under the earth,
the sea and everything in it.**

Let us praise and glorify God forever. Amen.

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PSALM ONE READING (From Psalms for Praying by Nan Merrill)

Blessed are those who walked hand in hand with goodness,

Who stand beside virtue,

who sit in the seat of truth;

For their delight is in the Spirit of Love,

and in Love's heart they dwell day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, that yield fruit in due season, and their leaves flourish;

And in all that they do, they give life.

The unloving are not so;

they are like dandelions which the wind blows away.

Turning from the Heart of Love they will know suffering and pain.

They will be isolated from wisdom;

for Love knows the way of truth, the way of ignorance will perish.

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor Greiner

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:1-12

One Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain,
and when Jesus sat down, his disciples came to him.

All And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

One Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

All Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

One Blessed are the nonviolent, for they shall inherit the earth.

**All Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for justice,
for they shall be satisfied.**

One Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

All Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

One Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.

**All Blessed are those who are persecuted for justice's sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

One Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Silent Reflection on the Word

SERMONIC SELECTION

**"Come Jesus Come"
Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir**

SERMON

"Harmony at Home: Hungering for God"

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 “Lift Every Voice and Sing”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b9U2UGkkpoI>

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: Semicontinuous 2 Kings 5:1-14 and Psalm 30; Complementary:
Isaiah 66:10-14 and Psalm 66:1-9; Galatians 6(1-6) 7-16; Luke
10:1-11, 16-20

Liturgist: Elder Angela Hemphill

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 Summer 2025 Lessons is "Sacred Altars and Holy Offerings." You are cordially invited to join in on July 13th discussion "Lord of the Sabbath," Matthew 12:1-14; Mark 2:23-38; Luke 6:1-11. Please dial **(267) 807-9601 Passcode 828-160-800** to participate in the lively conversations with church members.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE is also looking for volunteers to do the Children's Sermon. You can pick any Sunday. If you need a sermon or help, please see Jennifer, Cynthia, Glen or Pastor Mark. We want everyone to have an opportunity to participate and share with our children. Please see Jennifer if you are interested. The children will love it!!!

GET INVOLVED, PCUSA OFFICE OF PUBLIC WITNESS.

Sign up here for alerts to faithfully raise our voices in key state and national actions <https://www.votervoice.net/mobile/PCUSA/home>

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

Literary Club - Please join us via Zoom at 1:30 pm for the following lively book discussions.

July - **Lovely One: a Memoir**, by Ketanji Brown Jackson

August - **Dream Count: a Novel**, by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

PER CAPITA FOR 2025 is \$50.15.

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.

STATED CLERK AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JOINS OTHER NATIONAL FAITH LEADERS IN PUBLIC SUPPORT OF SANCTUARY MOVEMENT

The Rev. Jihyun Oh says PC(USA) recommits to compassion, accompaniment, safety and full dignity for migrant and immigrant siblings.

Full statement here: <https://pcusa.org/news-storytelling/news/stated-clerk-and-executive-director-joins-other-national-faith-leaders-public-support-sanctuary>

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: The Tuesday Morning Bible Study group will be in recess until October 2025. Thank you, Ruby Webb

ZOOM MEETING ID: The **ZOOM MEETING ID** for our worship services is: Meeting ID: **857 3194 9016**; Passcode: **140816**

NORTHEASTERN'S "TOP FOUR GOALS"

results of the 2024 Congregational Assessment Tool (CAT) Survey

1. Make necessary changes to attract families with children and youth to our church.
2. Develop and implement a comprehensive strategy to reach new people and incorporate them into the life of the church.
3. Work to renew and revitalize the community around the church by building coalitions with partners that share this vision and commitment.
4. Develop ministries that work toward healing those broken by life circumstances.

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**



REMEMBER OUR SICK & SHUT-IN

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



2025

Conference Speakers and Leaders

Worship Leader

Rev. Jimmie Hawkins

Director of the Presbyterian Church
(USA) Office of Public Witness,
Washington, DC



Worship Leader

REV BRIAN MCCOLLUM
Pastor at Sargent Memorial
PC, Washington, DC



Silent Communion Leader

REV. MARK HINCHCLIFF

Spiritual director for
the Mid-Atlantic Synod
Men's Conference



In Concert

SARGENT WINGS
Chamber Orchestra
Washington, DC



2025 Conference Leader
REGGIE FORTUNE



Music Leader

CLINT DANMUTH
Bayside PC, VA Beach, VA



Worship Leader
PASTOR SHADAROLL LEE



REGISTRATION FORM

**2025 Synod of the Mid-Atlantic
Presbyterian Men's Conference
July 18-20, 2025**

Register on-line: www.midatlanticmen.org / PayPal Available

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

Email _____

Emergency Contact Name _____

Relation _____ Phone _____

Roommate Request Name _____

Special Needs / Disability _____

Church _____ Presbytery _____

Number of prior conferences attended _____

Select Conference Package

- ☐ Hubler Lodge, Double, 2 nights, 6 meals, conference, \$405
☐ Hubler Lodge Single, 2 nights, 6 meals, conference, \$505
☐ Richardson Lodge, Double, 2 nights, 6 meals, conference, \$365
☐ Richardson Lodge, Single, 2 nights, 6 meals, conference, \$415
☐ Conference & Meals Only, 6 meals, conference, \$235
☐ Conference Only, conference, \$135 (No meals or lodging)
**Hubler Lodge - 2 Queen Beds, Private Bath
**Richardson Lodge - 2 Single Beds, Shared Bath

Select Saturday Afternoon Activity

- ☐ Local Winery Tour
☐ Bowling

Total Cost

\$ _____ Total Conference Package

Make checks payable to "Presbyterian Men's Conference"

Mail Registration Form and Check to:

Mr. Paul Willbanks
P.O. Box 72

Port Penn, DE 19709

Questions? Call 410-829-9161 or Email pmwillbanks@gmail.com



**Summer worship:
10 am through July & August.**

July 6 - Zoom
July 13 - In Sanctuary (Communion)
July 20 - In Sanctuary - Guest preacher
July 27 - Zoom - Guest Preacher
August 3 - In Sanctuary (Communion)
August 10 - Zoom
August 17 - In Sanctuary
August 24 - Zoom
August 31 - Zoom

Staff

Ministers
Pastor (Stated Supply)
Director, Chancel Choir/Organist
Director, Pianist, Celestial Choir
Director, Pianist, Youth/Cherub Choir
Administrative Assistant
Sexton
Assistant Sexton

All the people of the Church
Pastor Mark Greiner
Dr. Laddie Bell
Mr. Joshua Jenkins
Ms. Jennifer Allen
Ms. Kathy Cuff
Mr. Randall Timbers
Mr. Kyler Spencer

Ministries of Session

Budget & Fiscal
Buildings & Grounds
Christian Education
Interpretation & Stewardship
Personnel
Worship & Music
Technology Committee
Nominating
Clerk of Session
President of Corporation
Social Concerns & Outreach
Foundry Task Force

Elders

Pamela Gessesse
Charles Barber
Jennifer Allen
Cherie Becton
Charles Barber/Co-chair: James Haggins
Angela Hemphill
Shawn Thomas
Angela Hemphill
Valerie McCray
Charles Barber
Shawn Thomas/ Co-chair Patricia Young
James Haggins

DEACONS

Glen Grier
Valencia Hawkins
Katrin Jones, Moderator
Brenda Kuznof
Bishetta Merritt, Vice Moderator
Blossom Roach
Amanda Sargent
Penny Thomas
Randall Timbers
Charles Webb

SENIOR USHERS

1st, 4th Shirley Wilson – President, Wilhelmina Davis, Brenda, Kuznof, Mary Allen, Ruby Webb
3rd, 5th Glynis Higgs, Pamela Gessesse, and Jordan Gessesse, Stephanie White

JUNIOR USHERS

2nd, Pamela Gessesse, Jordan Gessesse, Ava Kennedy, Cecil Nixon, Chidera Uduma
Priya Young