



**“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

PRELUDE

+ INTROIT

The Chancel Choir

+ INVOCATION

+ CALL TO WORSHIP (Lorraine Kisly)

One Our Father, who art in heaven

All **May we know your love.**

One Hallowed be thy name.

All **May we see your glory.**

One Thy kingdom come

All **May we enter it**

One Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven

All **May we obey it.**

One Give us this day our daily bread

All **May we take and eat with thanksgiving.**

One And forgive our debts as we also have forgiven our debtors.

All **May we receive your mercy as we forgive others.**

One And lead us not into temptation

All **May we forsake ourselves and seek you.**

One But deliver us from evil.

All **May our trust in you keep us from the way of death and grant us life. Amen.**

+ OPENING HYMN #293 (Hymnal)

“This is My Father’s World”

CALL TO RECONCILIATION (Romans 8:15-17)

For we did not receive a spirit of enslavement to fall back into fear, but we have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. Confidently, let us pray:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Loving God, you send us into the world to be courageous people of love. You call us to a journey of discipleship and trust in you. Following your call excites us, but we are also frightened. We cling to our own strengths or the false security this world and its wealth has to offer. We doubt that you can really work through ordinary people like us. We hold back, fearing what You and the world’s needs may ask of us. Forgive us, Jesus. Open our eyes to the ways You would have us follow and serve. Enlarge our trust, expand our hope, increase our joy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ, and Christ died for us.
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

All Thanks be to God!

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 Chancel Choir

TIME WITH CHILDREN

THE OFFERING

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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!**

+ OFFERTORY PRAYER (unison)

Loving God, we offer you our strengths so we may serve.
Living God, we offer you our thanks because your grace is sufficient for us. Redeeming God, we offer you our powerlessness because power is made perfect in weakness. Sustaining God, we offer you our emptiness so your Spirit may fill us. Just as we are, we come; broken and healing, with our laughter and tears, to offer all that we are. Use all our offerings, our bodies, minds and souls to share your love in the world. Amen.

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Genesis 22:2, 9-13

And he said, take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and

took the knife to slay his son. And the angel of the Lord called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, here am I. And he said, lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me. And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

SERMONIC SELECTION

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 10:30-37

And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Difficult Commands”

Elder Bill Hymes

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 #53 (SOZ) "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

WE GO FORTH AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

+ BENEDICTION (from Numbers 6:22-26)

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:
Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying,
Thus, you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,
The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine
upon you, and be
gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give
you peace.

POSTLUDE

PRAYER ELDER

Elder Cynthia Gervais

Lectionary: Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7) and Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19
Complementary: Exodus 19:2-8a and Psalm 100; Roman 5:1-8;
Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-23)

Liturgist: Deacon Glen Greir
Greeter: Elder Shirley Logan

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 2026 Lessons is “The Testimony of Faithful Witnesses.” You are cordially invited to join us next Sunday, June 28th discussion on “Amos, A Herdsman Caled To Be A Prophet,” Amos 1:1; 2:11-12; 3:7-8; 7:10-15. Please dial **(267) 807-9601 Passcode 828-160-800** to participate in the lively conversations with church members.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE is seeking your help in funding two (2) major repair/replacement projects. The Sanctuary Emergency Exit Door located in the hallway opposite the chancel steps to the breezeway AND the Sanctuary Blower Unit that circulates fresh and cooled/heated air for the sanctuary pew spaces. Until funded we have limited emergency evacuation and no air-conditioning in the sanctuary. The funding needed is \$10,200 for both repair/replacements. If you can kindly designate to the Building Fund Account – Emergency Door/Blower Unit in your giving. Thanks in advance for Your Heart Led Faithful Giving.

HEALING SERVICE, JUNE 28 AT THE END OF WORSHIP:

Please come for anointing with oil with personal prayers for healing.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LITERARY CLUB **Book selections for 2026**

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

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

JULY – AUGUST SCHEDULE: 1st Sundays Communion – in person (on all other Sundays we will be online). If you have a favorite worship music video, please share with Pastor Greiner (pastor mfg@gmail.com), today so we can worship with them this summer.

MEN'S DAY: Attention all men. As you know, today is MEN's DAY. Accordingly, we are asking you to donate \$100 or whatever you can give. Your offering packet of envelopes contains one envelope for this purpose. If you use an electronic method of donating, please indicate that your donation is for this purpose. Thank you for your support.

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: Please join us via Zoom at 11:00AM Eastern Time for Tuesday Morning Bible Study. We will have in-depth and exciting discussions as we learn more about people in the Bible called by God. Call the church office for the Zoom meeting information.

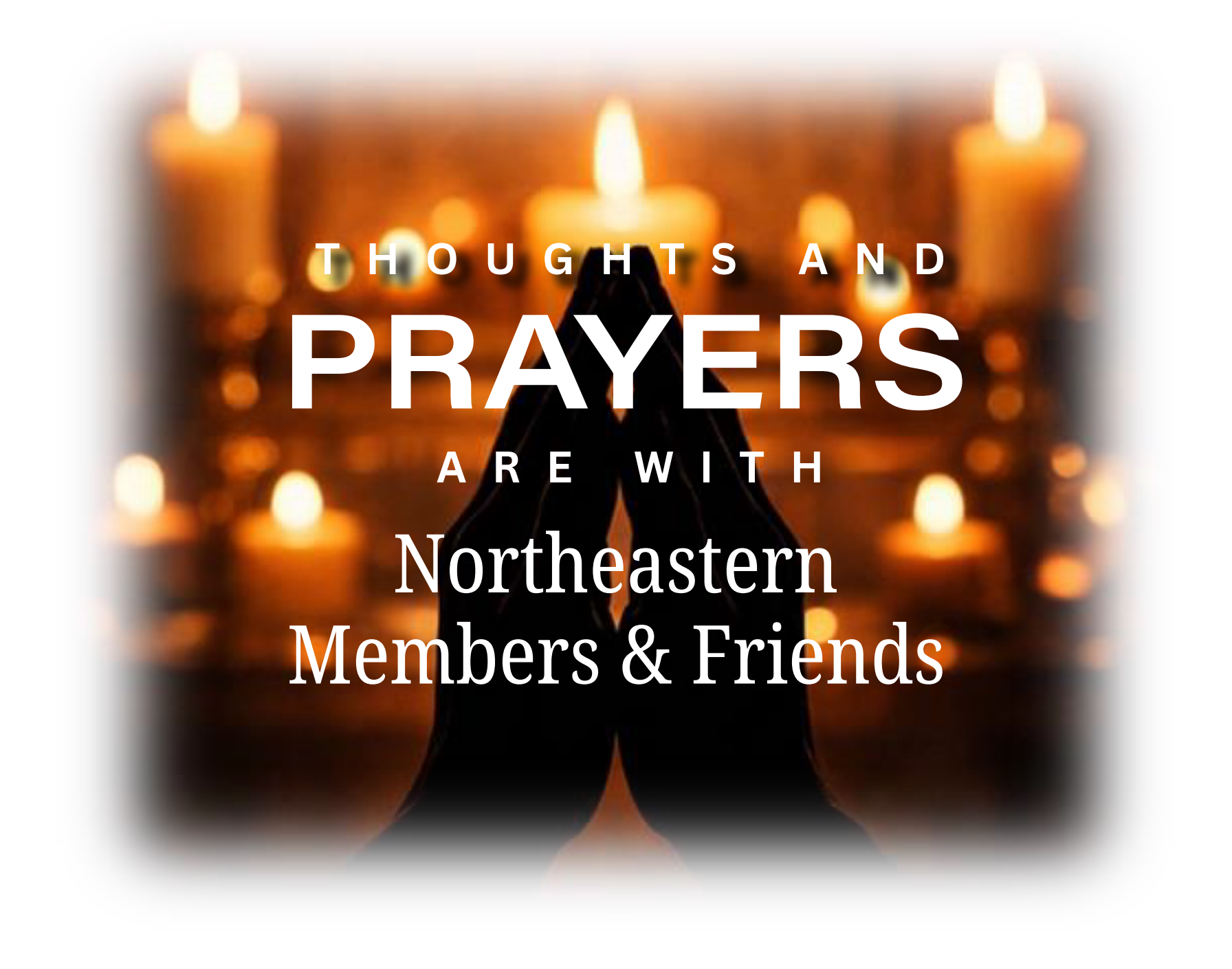
ZOOM MEETING ID: The **ZOOM MEETING ID** for our worship services is: Meeting ID: **876 1357 9552**; Passcode: **295504**

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.

We commit to:

- **Worship**
- **Witness**
- **Learn**
- **Grow**
- **Nurture**
- **Serve**



THOUGHTS AND
PRAYERS
ARE WITH
Northeastern
Members & Friends



Staff

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Director, Pianist, Celestial Choir
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Sexton
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Pastor Mark Greiner
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Mr. Kyler Spencer

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Buildings & Grounds

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Interpretation & Stewardship
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Worship & Music
Technology Committee

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