

NATRONA HEIGHTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

An Evangelical Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

Order of Worship, Sunday, October 16, 2022, 10 AM

“What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?”

–Romans 8:31

GATHERING TO WORSHIP THE RISEN CHRIST

THE PRELUDE – red hymnal #590

“This Is the Day”

THE WELCOME

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

Leader: As we gather this day, each of us brings something to worship –

PEOPLE: WE BRING THE BURDENS OF THE WEEK.

Leader: We bring prayers of hope, and prayers of anguish.

PEOPLE: WE BRING OUR VOICES, AND OUR OFFERINGS, AND OUR QUESTIONS.

Leader: We bring our faith, tattered or whole as it may be.

PEOPLE: WE BRING ALL THIS TO EACH OTHER AND TO GOD, WHOM WE WORSHIP TODAY.

*PROCLAIMING PRAISE AND WORSHIP

**“Our God”
“Do It Again”**

*THE TIME OF CHRISTIAN GREETING

THE PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEDICATION

THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

(Please pass the friendship pads down the pew. We invite all to sign names and write down contact info. Please pass the book back to the middle aisle when you’re finished. Thanks!)

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY – red hymnal #26

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

*THE DOXOLOGY

*THE OFFERING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION **“The Battle Belongs to the Lord” No. 485 (sing twice)**

THE WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Esther 9

THE MESSAGE

“Enemies Defeated”
–The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

THE COMMUNION SERVICE

The Gracious Invitation

The Words of Institution

The Administration of the Elements

The Prayer of Appreciation

SCATTERING TO SERVE OUR RISEN SAVIOR

*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT

“Be Still, My Soul”

No. 347

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Gloria Patri”

No. 623

THE POSTLUDE – red hymnal #235 (Tune: King's Weston)

“At the Name of Jesus”

*Please stand if you are able

“The principle of remembering God’s great deliverance is good; we too often forget His great works.” –David Guzik

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY’S SERVICE:

-Pianist: Margie Shoop
-Online Filming: Marcy Korb
-Nursery: Candice Gourley
-Greeters: Kevin & Debbie Gourley

-Praise Band Leader: Kevin Rudolph
-Liturgist: Chad Gourley
-Sound & Production: Eli Irvine & Ed Heintz

.....
ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to NHPC! Thank you for joining us for worship this morning.

THE BULLETIN COVER was created by an anonymous youth group member.

CONGRATULATIONS to Amber and Nate Delaney on the early arrival on October 8th, 2022 of their twin boys! Jameson was 4 pounds and 3 ounces and Parker was 3 pounds and 15 ounces. Mom and babies are doing well! Proud sisters are Molly and Ryleigh, proud grandparents are Mark and Amy Brenner. Congrats!

CHURCH NURSERY: Would you be interested in lending a hand in our church nursery once a month or once every other month? It's easy! After turning in your clearances, you hang out with the kiddos in the nursery during the worship service. Contact Jen in the office at 724-224-7338 or nhpcsecretary@aol.com if you're interested!

NEWSLETTER information is due no later than Friday, October 21st in order to be included in the November Marquee. Please email it to nhpcsecretary@aol.com or drop off your information to the church office. Thank you!

TRUNK OR TREAT will be held during Harrison Township's Trick or Treat night again this year! Join us with a decorated trunk and treats in our parking lot from 6-8 PM on Saturday, October 29th. Let Pastor Rick know if you will be attending in person. Not able to decorate your trunk and attend? No worries! Consider donating a bag of candy for us to pass out for you! Candy donations can be left on the table in the Narthex.

ALL SAINT'S SUNDAY will be held on Sunday, November 6th. During this service we will recognize those who have left this earthly life for an eternal life with Jesus Christ in heaven.

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Would you like to donate chancel flowers in loving memory or honor of a loved one? For a \$25 donation, flowers are displayed during Sunday's service. Contact the office at 724-224-7338 or nhpcsecretary@aol.com to do so

WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THAT NHPC NOW HAS AN ON-LINE PRAYER CHAIN!

A prayer chain can bring a deep sense of comfort to someone going through a difficult time and is simply a request that people join you in praying. The idea is that the more people praying together, the more amplified the power of prayer. This prayer chain will allow you to submit a prayer request and access the power of prayer as soon as a need arises.

You can submit your prayer requests to oneprayerchain@gmail.com . Once the prayer request is submitted, it will then be forwarded to the emails of those who have signed up for the ministry of prayer. It is a privilege to bear one another's burdens and to be intercessors for those in need.

As *James 5:16* says, "The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results." NLT

As this ministry develops, we will implement other tools to be sure that we are using the power of prayer and inviting the presence of the Holy Spirit to help all of us in our most immediate and ongoing times of need. There is also a box in the back of the church with cards, where you can write your request to be added to the email prayer chain, especially for those that may not have access to email.

Please also note that this email prayer chain is being instituted to complement the monthly written prayer list.

If you have any questions, please contact Denise Baker at 724-448-7628.

If you would like to be a part of the prayer chain, please complete the form below and place in the basket in the back of the church:

Name _____	Email _____	Address _____
------------	-------------	---------------

Would you like to become a prayer warrior and become available for one on one prayer either by email or phone with those that may request this? (Please circle an answer.)

YES, I'd love to help in this way!

NO, I am unable to do so at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT: NHPC will be hosting the Community Christmas Concert again this December! Join us on the 10th at 7 PM to welcome local choirs and groups as a kick off to our holiday season. The concert will once again benefit Allegheny Valley Association of Churches Food Bank. While there is no cost to attend the concert, we do ask for donations of nonperishable food items or a monetary donation for the food bank. Put this date on your calendar and we will see you there!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS of new or slightly used school supplies, craft supplies, and children's books for the After School Program. We are so excited to partner with the Allegheny Family Network at bringing this program to our church. There is a box available for these items at the church. If you have any questions, please find Doug Deemer, Marcy Korb, Deb Lehew, or Pastor Rick. Thanks in advance for your help and support.

COMING UP: Saturday, October 29th – Trunk or Treat from 6-8 PM
Sunday, November 6th – All Saints’ Sunday
Saturday, December 10th – Community Christmas Concert at 7 PM

CLERK OF SESSION: Deb Lehew – 724-664-1256

ELDERS: -Mike Lassinger – 724-316-1665 -Doug Deemer – 412-335-0185
-Chad Gourley – 412-443-0682 -Jon Bouchat – 724-681-8881
-Kevin Gourley – 724-596-2169 -Phil Grove – 724-224-4245

WEEKLY FINANCIAL BUDGET TO RECEIPTS:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NEEDED</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>
10/09	\$ 4,079.98	\$1,924.80

WANT TO MAKE A DONATION but don't have cash or a check on you? Consider checking out our website at www.nhpcusa.com and clicking on "Give;" this will take you to the site where you can make an online donation. To take yourself directly there with your cell phone, scan the QR code!



WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS: OCTOBER 16 – OCTOBER 23

TODAY:

9:00AM – Youth Sunday School
9:00AM – Adult Sunday School
10:00AM – Worship Service
5:00PM – Youth Group Fields of Faith Night
6:00PM – Men’s Group

MONDAY:

6:30PM – Couples Connect Group

WEDNESDAY:

6:30PM – ONE

THURSDAY:

3:00PM – Middle School Group
5:15PM – Bible Bunch

NEXT SUNDAY, October 23rd:

9:00AM – Youth Sunday School
9:00AM – Adult Sunday School
10:00AM – Worship Service
6:00PM – Youth Group
6:00PM – Men’s Group