NATRONA HEIGHTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

An Evangelical Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Richard Harbaugh Order of Worship, Sunday, January 8, 2023, 10 AM

"Hurry has no place in the beautiful life God has placed before you." —Glynnis Whitwer

GATHERING TO WORSHIP THE RISEN CHRIST

THE PRELUDE – red hymnal #164

"One Small Child"

THE WELCOME

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively)

Leader: Welcome to worship this day!

PEOPLE: WE HAVE COME SEEKING GOD'S BLESSINGS AND LOVE.

Leader: They shall be given to you.

PEOPLE: WE HAVE COME SEEKING FORGIVENESS AND HEALING.

Leader: These will be offered to you. Open your hearts to receive God's Good

News.

PEOPLE: WE OPEN OUR HEARTS TO ALL OF GOD'S WORDS AND WAYS FOR US.

AMEN.

*PROCLAIMING PRAISE AND WORSHIP

"Let The Praises Ring"
"The Lord Is My Salvation"

*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

*THE DOXOLOGY

*THE OFFERING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION "Amazing Grace" No. 202

THE WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:41-52

THE MESSAGE "Jesus Is Missing"

-The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

THE HYMN FOR COMMUNION "Behold The Lamb" Insert

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 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" No. 43

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Emmanuel" No. 134

THE POSTLUDE – red hymnal #166 "We Three Kings"

*Please stand if you are able

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens."

-Ecclesiastes 3:1

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

-Pianist: Margie Shoop -Praise Band Leader: Kevin Rudolph

-Online Filming: Marcy Korb -Sound & Production: Eli Irvine & Ed Heintz

-Liturgist: Pam Clark -Greeter: Denise Baker

-Nursery: Leah Irvine

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to Natrona Heights Presbyterian Church. We are so grateful that you are here this morning to worship our Lord and Savior.

NEXT WEEK'S sermon and scripture will be: Acts 1:1-26, "A New Apostle"

AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, on Monday, January 2nd, a tragedy occurred in our community. Two officers were shot during a shootout, one of them losing their life. Police Chief Justin McIntire was fatally wounded, and Police Officer Jordan Schrecengost was shot in his leg. Our local police forces protect and serve us, and we are forever grateful for their dedication to our community. This unfortunate tragedy reminds us that life is fragile. It reminds us to not take things for granted. It is a reminder to hold those you love a little closer, to tell your friends and family you love them, and to be a little kinder to those we come in contact with throughout the day, as we just never know what hardships someone may be struggling with. Please keep these officers, their families and friends, and others who were affected by this horrific event, in your thoughts and prayers. If you are interested in helping the families we have two ways you can do so: A monetary collection is being taken up (please note on your donation which family you are donating to) and can be placed in the offering plate, and we are also requesting cards and letters of support and encouragement for both families. Cards may be placed in the appropriate box in the Narthex. Please have everything turned in no later than Sunday, January 15th—thank you!

YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER - Marianna's Hoagies & Pizzas: You again have an opportunity to bless two ministries in the church with one fundraiser. First the proceeds of your purchase will go to the Youth Group Mission trip fund. And secondly you can purchase additional hoagies to donate to the Women's Conference This is Us...On the Rock that will be held on January 21st. We provide a soup and sandwich lunch and these will be our sandwiches. The cost for hoagies and pizzas are \$9. Orders and money are

due 1/10/23. Pick up will be 1/19/23 11:30am-12:00pm & 5pm-5:30pm. There is an order form in the narthex or you can email Toni at nhpcyg@yahoo.com with your order and for Venmo or Zelle payment options.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, January 29th following our service. Members are requested to attend in order for us to have a quorum for voting purposes. Thank you!

BIBLE BUNCH MEAL TRAIN: Bible Bunch continues to need help with providing the kiddos with meals. With over 30 students attending, and all coming hungry, this is definitely a task we need some assistance with! If you are able to help out, consider signing up for a meal at https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/yv9mo1 or scan the QR code provided.

Or you can contact Leah Irvine at 724-882-5413 to sign up. Any help is greatly appreciated!

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO give back in our local community? Platinum Ridge is in need of volunteers for various programs. Contact Karla Langer at 724-224-9200 or klanger@platinumridgenursing.com to schedule a time to stop in and help. Opportunities include activities such as watering plants, helping with parties, reading the Bible and more! There is something for everyone! For more details please see the flyer in the Narthex or contact Karla. Thank you!

THIS IS US...ON THE ROCK: Sat, January 21, 2023, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Doors open at 8:30! Join us for our 6th annual women's conference as we stand firmly on the Rock of Ages together! This year we are going to give Him all the glory, honor and praise! We will be remembering what God has done for us in the past, share what God is doing in the present and celebrate what God is going to do in the future. Come see what God will do this year through the power of the Holy Spirit. He never fails to show up!

• Live Worship Band throughout the Day • Morning Refreshments and Lunch Provided (Please let us know dietary restrictions.) • Bible Based Speakers • Breakout Sessions • Relaxed Environment Full of Christian Fellowship, Love, and Support. Scan the code or talk to one of our team members to register:

Denise Baker Toni Brooks Margie Shoop Amy Brenner Marcy Korb SOME OFFERING ENVELOPES for 2023 are still on the table in the Narthex. Please pick up your packet. Thank you!

MARRIAGE RESTORATION/REFRESHMENT MINISTRY: You made a commitment to your spouse and to God when you got married and marriage is not easy. But a marriage done God's way is the most fulfilled and successful marriage you can have. If you would like more information, please email MarraigeRefreshment@yahoo.com.

COMING UP: Thursday, January 19th –11:30 AM-12 PM and 5 PM-5:30 PM Hoagie

Pickup

Saturday, January 21st – This Is Us Women's Conference

Sunday, January 29th – Congregational Meeting

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



SCAN THE QR CODE to make a donation from your phone!

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS: JANUARY 8 – JANUARY 15

TODAY:

9:00AM - Youth Sunday School

9:00AM – Adult Sunday School

10:00AM – Worship Service

6:00PM - Youth Group

6:00PM - Men's Group

MONDAY:

3:00PM - AFN Teens

4:00PM - AFN Elementary

6:30PM – Couples Connect Group

TUESDAY:

*Hoagie Orders & Money Due Today

3:00PM - AFN Teens

4:00PM - AFN Elementary

WEDNESDAY:

3:00PM - AFN Teens

4:00PM – AFN Elementary

6:30PM - ONE

THURSDAY:

3:00PM - Middle School After School Group

4:00PM - AFN Elementary

5:15PM – Bible Bunch

FRIDAY:

Youth Group Retreat

4:00PM - AFN Elementary

NEXT SUNDAY, January 15TH:

No Youth Group Meeting/On Retreat

Donations/Cards for Officers Due

9:00AM - Youth Sunday School

9:00AM - Adult Sunday School

10:00AM – Worship Service

6:00PM – Men's Group

