

**NATRONA HEIGHTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**An Evangelical Presbyterian Church**

The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

Order of Worship, Sunday, July 23, 2023, 10 AM

*“All Christians believe more than is contained in the Apostles’ Creed, but none can believe less.” –Albert Mohler*

GATHERING TO WORSHIP THE RISEN CHRIST

THE PRELUDE – red hymnal #371

**“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”**

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND MOMENT FOR MISSION

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively)

Leader: We look at this world, focusing on the pain and confusion, the fears and hatred which seem to abound.

**PEOPLE: FOR WHAT CAN WE HOPE?**

Leader: We wait breathlessly for the goodness of creation to be made manifest in all the world, for this is the promise of God.

**PEOPLE: GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US, GUIDING, RESCUING, HEALING, RESTORING US.**

Leader: Get ready, dear friends, the promises of God are true.

**PEOPLE: LORD, QUIET OUR SPIRITS AND OPEN OUR HEARTS. BRING US HOPE AND PEACE. AMEN.**

\*PROCLAIMING PRAISE AND WORSHIP

**“Your Grace Is Enough”**

**“Word of God Speak”**

\*THE TIME OF CHRISTIAN GREETING

THE PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 – Soloist, Ross Nelson

**“How Deep the Father's Love for Us”**

**–arr. by Stuart Townend**

\*THE DOXOLOGY

\*THE OFFERING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

**“Let Your Heart Be Broken”**

**No. 315**

THE WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

**John 1:1-5**

THE MESSAGE

**“Why Say The Apostle’s Creed”**

–The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

SCATTERING TO SERVE OUR RISEN SAVIOR

\*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT

**“Father I Adore You”**

**No. 265**

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**“Gloria Patri”**

**No. 623**

THE POSTLUDE – red hymnal #233

**“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”**

\*Please stand if you are able

*“[The Creed] furnishes us with a full and every way complete summary of faith, containing nothing but what has been derived from the infallible word of God.”*

*–John Calvin*

*Chancel Flowers*

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**In Loving Memory of My  
Husband, John, and My Son, David  
Given by: Beverly Merli & Family**

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PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

-Pianist: Margie Shoop

-Praise Band Leader: Kevin Rudolph

-Online Filming: Marcy Korb

-Sound & Production: Ed Heintz

-Liturgist: Doug Deemer

-Nursery: Donna Crowe  
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to NHPC! We are thankful you are here to worship with us this morning.

NEXT WEEK'S scripture and sermon title: Hebrews 10:25 "Why attend in-person?"

ENVELOPE FUNDRAISER: Join us in raising much-needed funds for Allegheny Valley Association of Churches Family Promise. All proceeds will help to feed the people utilizing AVAC's program. Check out the board for more details! Questions? Contact Denise Baker at 724-448-7628 or connectcenter333@gmail.com.

THE COUNTDOWN IS ON TO "HERO HOTLINE," and we are so EXCITED! NHPC Vacation Bible School is just two weeks away! We hope you will join us and be a part of the sharing of God's word with all of the children and youth who will be joining us in this wonderful ADVENTURE! Bible School will be Sunday, July 30, 2023 through Thursday, August 3, 2023 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM.

If you would like to help us "set the scene" with decorating and set up, please text or call Deb Lehew at 724-664-1256 if you will join us during these times:

- Thursday, July 27, 2023 from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM
- Friday, July 28, 2023 from 4:00 PM until ?
- Saturday, July 29, 2023 TBD

We need extra help this year as the AFN Summer Program ends right before Bible School begins!!

ADULTS AND KIDS, SHARE YOUR TALENT with us! We are looking for more bulletin covers, created by you! If you'd like to participate, pick up a sheet of blank paper provided for your cover. Please use pen or marker, as sometimes pencil does not show up well if it is not done darkly. Be sure to sign your name on your artwork and place in the offering plate or turn into the office when you are finished.



**ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED**

THERE WILL BE NO Informal Service on Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please feel welcome to stop by the church on the 27<sup>th</sup> to help set up for VBS and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> to see the closing program by the VBS kiddos!

DO YOU HAVE A MUSICAL TALENT? Would you be interested in singing solo, with a group or sharing another musical talent for one of our offertories this summer? If so, contact Margie Shoop! Thank you!

COMING UP: Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> – Vacation Bible School

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

ELDERS:        -Donna Crowe – 724-882-5003        -Kevin Gourley – 724-596-2169  
                  -Doug Deemer – 412-335-0185        -Marcy Korb – 412-334-1173  
                  -Chad Gourley – 412-443-0682        -Jack Miller – 724-295-6548

**WEEKLY FINANCIAL BUDGET TO RECEIPTS:**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NEEDED</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>
July 16	\$ 3,486.59	\$ 1,348.60

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**WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS: JULY 23 – JULY 30**

**TODAY:**

9:00AM – Adult Sunday School  
10:00AM – Worship Service

**MONDAY:**

10:30AM – 2:30PM – AFN Elementary  
3:00PM – 6:00PM – AFN Teens  
6:30PM – Couples Connect Group

**TUESDAY:**

10:30AM – 2:30PM – AFN Elementary  
3:00PM – 6:00PM – AFN Teens

**WEDNESDAY:**

10:30AM – 2:30PM – AFN Elementary

3:00PM – 6:00PM – AFN Teens

**THURSDAY:**

10:30AM – 2:30PM – AFN Elementary

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