

**NATRONA HEIGHTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**An Evangelical Presbyterian Church**

The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

Order of Worship, Sunday, August 20, 2023, 10 AM

*“Certainly, those who resist God are blind spiritually, so God just gave Elymas a physical blindness that matched his spiritual blindness.” –David Guzik*

GATHERING TO WORSHIP THE RISEN CHRIST

THE PRELUDE –red hymnal #87 **“May Jesus Christ Be Praised”**

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND MOMENT FOR MISSION

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively)

Leader: We gather here this day to hear God’s word for us.

**PEOPLE: WE PRAISE GOD FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER TOGETHER**

Leader: We are sent forth from this place to share God’s transforming love.

**PEOPLE: LORD, ENCOURAGE US AND EMPOWER US TO DO YOUR WILL. AMEN.**

\*PROCLAIMING PRAISE AND WORSHIP

**“He Reigns”  
“King of My Heart”**

\*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 – red hymnal #112 **“Jesus, Name Above All Names”**

\*THE DOXOLOGY

\*THE OFFERING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION **“The Battle Belongs to the Lord”** **No. 485**

THE WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS **Acts 13:4-12**

THE MESSAGE **“Opposition to the Faith”**  
–The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

SCATTERING TO SERVE OUR RISEN SAVIOR

\*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT **“It Is Well with My Soul”** **No. 493**

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE **“Gloria Patri”** **No. 623**

THE POSTLUDE – red hymnal #96 **“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”**

\*Please stand if you are able

*“Wherever there is likely to be great success, the open door and the opposing adversaries will both be found. If there are no adversaries, you may fear that there will be no success. A boy cannot get his kite up without wind, nor without a wind which drives against his kite.” –Spurgeon*

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY’S SERVICE:

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

-Online Filming: Marcy Korb **-Sound & Production: Ed Heintz**

-Nursery: Jen Goldberg **-Greeter:**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

NEXT WEEK'S message title and scripture: "A Man from Lystra Healed," Acts 14:8-20.

ANGEL BOARD: Our last board for the year will support our church family, Bible Bunch. By providing a gift card or cash, you will be helping us feed our kids dinner; please plan for at least 20 kids. All proceeds will be used for meals. If you would prefer to cook a meal for the group, please check out the link for the meal train in the bulletin. Questions? Contact Denise Baker at 724-448-7628 or connectcenter333@gmail.com.

BIBLE BUNCH will begin again in September. If you'd like to help with providing meals for the kids, please sign up on the meal train at <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/yv9mo1> or scan the QR code provided. Questions? Reach out to Leah Irvine at 724-882-5413. Thank you in advance for all of your help!



PLANNING TO PURCHASE FALL MUMS? Consider getting them from NHPC Weekday Nursery School! Two different sizes, pansies, and kale are all available for purchase. Funds raised will go directly to supporting the nursery school. Orders are due no later than Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. Checks, written out to NHPCWNS, or cash can be placed in the envelope provided with the form on the table. Plants will come in on September 19<sup>th</sup> for you to pick up. Questions? Contact Jen Rigatti at 724-681-6035. Thank you for your help and support of our school!

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.

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, September 10<sup>th</sup> – Rally Day; Youth Group Begins  
Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> – Bible Bunch Begins; Middle School After-School Youth Group Begins

Faith

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>
August 13	\$ 3,486.59	\$ 1,224.80

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



**WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS: AUGUST 20 – AUGUST 27**

**TODAY:**

9:00AM – Adult Sunday School

10:00AM – Worship Service

**THURSDAY:**

7:00PM – Informal Service

**NEXT SUNDAY, August 27<sup>th</sup>:**

9:00AM – Adult Sunday School

10:00AM – Worship Service