

NATRONA HEIGHTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

An Evangelical Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

Order of Worship, Sunday, September 3, 2023, 10 AM

“God Himself supplies the necessary condition to come to Jesus, that’s why it is ‘sola gratia,’ by grace alone, that we are saved.” –R. C. Sproul

GATHERING TO WORSHIP THE RISEN CHRIST

THE PRELUDE –red hymnal #52

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND MOMENT FOR MISSION

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively)

Leader: Welcome! It is good to have you here this day.

PEOPLE: THANK YOU. WE COME SEEKING HEALING AND PEACE FOR OUR SPIRITS.

Leader: God is with us, giving that wondrous healing love to each one.

PEOPLE: BLESSED BE GOD WHO WATCHES OVER US.

Leader: Come, let us praise God with thankful hearts.

PEOPLE: LORD, WE COME TO YOU IN GRATITUDE FOR ALL YOU DO FOR US. AMEN.

*PROCLAIMING PRAISE AND WORSHIP

**“Your Grace Is Enough”
“Mighty to Save”**

*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 #497

“Near to the Heart of God”

*THE DOXOLOGY

*THE OFFERING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

No. 43

THE WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 15:1-21

THE MESSAGE

“Grace for All”

–The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

SCATTERING TO SERVE OUR RISEN SAVIOR

*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT

“Grace Greater Than Our Sin”

No. 201

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Gloria Patri”

No. 623

THE POSTLUDE – red hymnal #285

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

*Please stand if you are able

“Every day of our Christian experience should be a day of relating to God on the basis of His grace alone. We are not only saved by grace, but we also live by grace every day.”

–Jerry Bridges

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY’S SERVICE:

-Pianist: Margie Shoop

-Praise Band Leader: Kevin Rudolph

-Online Filming: Marcy Korb

-Sound & Production: Ed Heintz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

THE BULLETIN COVER was created by Carson Ankney, a member of the youth group.

NEXT WEEK'S message title and scripture: "Time in Prison," Acts 16:16-40.

THE SECOND COLLECTION TODAY is for the Food for Families fund, which allows us to provide grocery store gift cards to those in our church and community that need some help with food. Thank you for your donations to this fund!

THE NURSERY IS CLOSED for the service today. If you are interested in joining our team of volunteers all we ask for is one hour of your time on a Sunday once a month or so, and clearances! Contact the office at 724-224-7338 if you are interested in helping out.

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!



RALLY DAY PICNIC: Sunday, September 10th kicks off our program year! Join us after the service for a picnic and fellowship on the lawn. We will provide burgers, hot dogs and beverages. Please bring a side dish or a dessert to share—a sign-up sheet will be available at the church!

CELEBRATION MEETING: On Tuesday, September 26th at 6 PM, Session is requesting the leaders of NHPC to come together for a Celebration Meeting. If you are a connect group leader, a leader within Allegheny Family Network, or a Nursery School leader, please join the celebration on the 26th!

HIS
GRACE
is enough

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

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 4th. 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 19th for you to pick up. Questions? Contact Jen Rigatti at 724-681-6035. Thank you for your help and support of our school!

THE FALL EDITION OF Our Daily Bread is now available around the church.

COMING UP: Sunday, September 10th – Rally Day; Picnic; Youth Group Begins
Tuesday, September 26th – Celebration Meeting
Thursday, September 28th – Bible Bunch Begins; Middle School After-School Youth Group Begins
Sunday, October 1st – World Communion Sunday
Sunday, October 8th – Congregational Meeting

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 27	\$ 3,486.59	\$ 1,409.80

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



WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS: SEPTEMBER 3 – SEPTEMBER 10

TODAY:

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

THURSDAY:

7:00PM – Informal Service

NEXT SUNDAY, September 10th:

9:00AM – Adult Sunday School
10:00AM – Worship Service
11:00AM – Rally Day Picnic
6:00PM – Youth Group