NATRONA HEIGHTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

An Evangelical Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Richard Harbaugh Order of Worship, Sunday, October 22, 2023, 10 AM

"Remember who you are. Don't compromise for anyone, for any reason. You are a child of the Almighty God. Live that truth." —Lysa TerKeurst

GATHERING TO WORSHIP THE RISEN CHRIST

THE PRELUDE – red hymnal #250

"Come, Holy Spirit"

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND MOMENT FOR MISSION

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Celebrate God's love, which has been poured into your life!

PEOPLE: FORGIVENESS, ENCOURAGEMENT, SUPPORT, AND HEALING ARE GIFTS

OF GOD TO US.

Leader: Reach out and care for those around you.

PEOPLE: WE WILL BE PEOPLE OF PEACE AND JUSTICE.

Leader: Shout for joy!

PEOPLE: SING GOD'S PRAISES ALWAYS! AMEN.

*PROCLAIMING PRAISE AND WORSHIP

"Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord"
"Your Name"

*THE TIME OF CHRISTIAN GREETING

THE PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHILDREN'S CHURCH – Children ages 3 through 12 may go upstairs to the Sunday School room for Children's Church.

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 #404 "The Solid Rock"

*THE DOXOLOGY

*THE OFFERING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION "Immortal, Invisible" No. 25

THE WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS Acts 23:1-22

THE MESSAGE

"Paul Addresses the Sanhedrin"

—The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

SCATTERING TO SERVE OUR RISEN SAVIOR

*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT "Take My Life and Let It Be" No. 379

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Gloria Patri" No. 623

THE POSTLUDE – red hymnal #283 "We Are God's People"

*Please stand if you are able

"There is no one who is insignificant in the purpose of God." —Alistair Begg

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

-Pianist: Margie Shoop -Praise Band Leader: Kevin Rudolph -Online Filming: Marcy Korb -Sound & Production: Ed Heintz

-Nursery: Candice Gourley

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO NHPC! Thanks for joining us for worship this morning.

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

NEXT WEEK'S message title and scripture: "Two Years under Felix," Acts 24.

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER info is due Wednesday, October 25th. Thank you!

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS are held on Sunday evenings for those in 5th through 12th grades. If you have any questions, please contact Toni Brooks at 724-766-1950.

- 10/22 6-8pm Regular Meeting
- 10/29 6-8pm Halloween Game
- 11/01 5pm Deliver Fall Craft to Platinum Ridge
- 11/05 6-8pm Regular Meeting

AS THE COOL NIGHTS SET in with the Fall Season, it is time to start thinking about "Trunk or Treat". Please consider donating candy and treats to this event, and we would love to have you participate by dressing up and parking your car with us! Donations will be taken until October 22nd, and the event is scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2023. (More details to follow). Last year we had well over a hundred children come by with their families! We will serve hot chocolate as well!!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Please join us at 11 AM, following worship, on Sunday, November 5th for a congregational meeting. The meeting should only last 15-20 minutes for a vote to approve the new bylaws for NHPC. If you are a church member, please join us for this short amount of time, as we need a quorum in order to vote. Thank you!

HOMELESS MISSION OPPORTUNITY - We have a cooperative mission we are engaging with Sheldon Park leadership. They are putting together homeless persons personal care bags. The goal is to put together 500 bags and do a direct distribution to our homeless community in downtown Pittsburgh in January. This initiative will also benefit our local homeless with bags being given to AVAC's Family Promise House, Lazarus House, and the Hope Center. Items such as toothpaste, toothbrush, mouth wash, body wash, deodorant, etc. can be placed in the box in the narthex through November 12th. Thank you for joining a mission that God has brought to our doorsteps.

WEEKDAY NURSERY SCHOOL is looking for volunteers to be on their school board! Currently we are seeking a treasurer, nursery school coordinator, and fundraising coordinator. If you are interested in any of these positions, or looking for more details, please contact Jen Rigatti at 724-681-6035 (call or text) or email her at nhpcsecretary@aol.com.

COMING UP: Saturday, October 28th – Trunk or Treat

Sunday, November 5th – All Saints' Sunday; 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:

 DATE
 NEEDED
 RECEIPTS

 Oct. 15
 \$ 3,486.59
 \$ 1,102.00

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



WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS: OCTOBER 22 – OCTOBER 29

TODAY:

9:00AM - Adult Sunday School

10:00AM - Worship Service

5:00PM – Youth Group regular meeting

MONDAY:

3:00PM – AFN Teen Spot

4:00PM - AFN Elementary

6:30PM – Couples Connect

TUESDAY:

3:00PM – AFN Teen Spot

4:00PM - AFN Elementary

WEDNESDAY:

3:00PM – AFN Teen Spot

4:00PM – AFN Elementary

6:00PM – ONE Group

THURSDAY:

3:00PM – Middle School After-School Youth Group

4:00PM - AFN Elementary

5:15PM – Bible Bunch

7:00PM - Informal Service

FRIDAY:

4:00PM – AFN Elementary

NEXT SUNDAY, October 29th:

9:00AM – Adult Sunday School

10:00AM – Worship Service

6:00PM – Youth Group Halloween Game