

**NATRONA HEIGHTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**An Evangelical Presbyterian Church**

The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

Order of Worship, Sunday, March 31, 2024, 10 AM

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*“The resurrection gives my life meaning and direction and the opportunity to start over no matter what my circumstances.” –Anonymous*

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GATHERING TO WORSHIP THE RISEN CHRIST

THE PRELUDE – red hymnal #222

**“Easter Song”**

THE WELCOME

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively)

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**PEOPLE: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!**

Leader: Darkness has been vanquished!

**PEOPLE: THE BRILLIANT LIGHT OF HOPE HAS COME!**

Leader: Come let us worship and celebrate the Good News!

**PEOPLE: ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! AMEN!!**

\*PROCLAIMING PRAISE AND WORSHIP

**“Rise Up and Praise Him”**

**“Holy Forever”**

\*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 – NHPC Chorale (Words & Music by Melodie Tunney & Dick Tunney)

**“Oh Magnify the Lord”**

\*THE DOXOLOGY

\*THE OFFERING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

**“Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise”**

**No. 232**

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

THE WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READING

**Matthew 28:1-14**

THE MESSAGE

**“He Is Risen!”**

–The Rev. Richard Harbaugh

SCATTERING TO SERVE OUR RISEN SAVIOR

\*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT

**“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”**

**No. 217**

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**“Gloria Patri”**

**No. 623**

THE POSTLUDE – red hymnal #226

**“The Day of Resurrection”**

\*Please stand if you are able

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*“Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.” –Martin Luther*

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PARTICIPATING IN TODAY’S SERVICE:

-Pianist: Margie Shoop

-Praise Band Leader: Kevin Rudolph

-Greeter: Ed Heintz

-Sound & Production: Eli Irvine & Ed Heintz

-Liturgist: Deb Lehew

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

WELCOME to our church on this Easter morning. We are grateful you are here to celebrate that Christ is risen!

THIS WEEKS COVER was created by youth group alumnus Lilly King.

OUR HEARTS GO OUT TO the family and friends of Judy Jarosinski. Judy went to be with our Lord and Savior this past week. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers.

THE NURSERY IS CLOSED this morning so our volunteers can enjoy the Easter service with their families. The room is still available if you need to go in with your child.

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

- 3/31 – NO MEETING; Happy Easter!
- 4/07 – Regular Meeting
- 4/14 – Regular Meeting

PIZZA WITH A PURPOSE: This fundraiser hosted by Kaley’s Kops is in support of the Harrison Township Police Department. Stop by on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 PM at the Natrona Heights VFW (894 Veterans Drive, Natrona Heights) for a meet and greet with local officers. You’ll also get to hear the band Curtis and the Shakerz, make a monetary donation to benefit the Harrison Township Police Department, purchase tickets for a 50/50 and/or raffle baskets and get some yummy desserts at the bake sale during the event. Drop in to show your love and support of our local police!

NHPC WEEKDAY NURSERY SCHOOL registration is now open! If you have a potty trained child that will be 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2024, consider registering him/her for our program. Our teachers are well qualified and experienced at drawing out the children as their talents merit, and as your child progresses through the program, you will witness this as well. Help us make our 67<sup>th</sup> year one to remember! Contact Alyse Zylinski at alysemzylinski@gmail.com or 724-396-7932 for more information or to request a form.

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

ELDERS:            -Donna Crowe – 724-882-5003            -Marcy Korb – 412-334-1173  
                           -Chad Gourley – 412-443-0682            -Jack Miller – 724-272-4787  
                           -Kevin Gourley – 724-596-2169

**WEEKLY FINANCIAL BUDGET TO RECEIPTS:**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NEEDED</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>
January	\$13,376.00	\$ 6,954.99
February	\$13,376.00	\$ 7,652.00
March 1-24	\$13,376.00	\$12,739.20

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



**WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS: MARCH 31 – APRIL 7**

**TODAY:**

Easter

9:00AM – Adult Sunday School

10:00AM – Worship Service

**MONDAY:**

6:30PM – Couples Connect

**WEDNESDAY:**

6:30PM – ONE

**THURSDAY:**

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

5:15PM – Bible Bunch

7:00PM – Informal Service

**NEXT SUNDAY, April 7<sup>th</sup>:**

9:00AM – Adult Sunday School

10:00AM – Worship Service

6:00PM – Youth Group Meeting