

Welcome to

Northbrook Presbyterian Church

April 3, 2016



*We are glad you're here and thankful for the opportunity to worship with you
and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.*

*We seek to be an open, rational and compassionate people,
learning each week what it means to live the love of Jesus Christ in worship and work, in word and deed.
"Everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." ~ John 13:35*

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Please sign and pass the Welcome Register along your row and back. Please note joys and concerns on the Prayer Request Cards and place them in the offering.

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Marjorie Wilhelmi

CENTERING SONG

John Bell

***Behold, behold, I make all things new,
beginning with you
and starting from today,
Behold, behold, I make all things new,
my promise is true,
for I am Christ the Way.***

OPENING PRAYER

Clyde Pritchard

* HYMN OF PRAISE 634—*To God Be the Glory*

Hymnal

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: While we claim to celebrate the ascension of our Lord,
the way we live proclaims our lack of faith
in his power to deal with the world.

Let us confess the incongruity between our faith and practice. Let us pray.

**All: We come, O Lord, on this day of glory to confess our lack of trust.
While we sing of your lordship over all creation,
we have too often acted as though you are powerless
in the face of today's events.
We have too often acted as though we are powerless
to participate with you for justice, compassion and peace in this world.
Help us to live with confidence in your presence today
and in hope for life with you forever. Amen.**

* THE PEACE

*As we are reconciled to God and to one another, share a sign of Christ's peace and love with your neighbor.
Children are dismissed to Kids Connection.*

SONG 621—*I Will Call upon the Lord*

Hymnal

SCRIPTURE READING—Acts 1:1-14

NT p. 118

SERMON—*You Will Receive Power*

Rev. Marjorie Wilhelmi

WE BRING OUR GIFTS FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST

OFFERTORY SONG 740—*Lead Me, Guide Me*

Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING SONG 314—*Christ, Be Our Light*

Hymnal

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* Please stand if you are able.

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LEADING YOU IN WORSHIP TODAY ARE:

LITURGIST: Clyde Pritchard

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Angel Gippert

PRAISE BAND: Dan Gross as leader, percussion, guitar; Pete Zajicek on piano

SOUND: Dave Vander Weide

VISUALS: Bryan Adair

CENTER DOOR GREETER: Matt Broadwell

SANCTUARY DOOR GREETER: Lori Spiewak

COMMUNION SERVERS: Amy Annett, Michael Bauhof, Matt Broadwell

WINDOW FLOWERS: Placed in celebration of Georgania Keoleian's birthday by her son, Jeffrey Keoleian.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for: The family and friends of Bev Crosthwaite who died on March 16, the family & friends of William Gadsby who died on March 10, Joyce Hamburg, John Thomas, Rob Olson, Tom Sandercock, Karen Keier, Mary Alice Shrosbree, Janice Faigle, Dick Forbush, Phyllis Klinger, Bruce & Ruth Thomas, Keith & Celia Metcalf.

Please continue to pray for those with health or personal issues. If a member's name has been inadvertently left off this list, please notify the church office. Also, let the church know when a member is entering the hospital or might like a supportive phone call.

The Board of Deacons also requests prayers for: Church members whose last names begin with the letter N and the leaders, table parents, teachers, cooks and participants of the LOGOS program.

SOUTH OAKLAND SHELTER WEEK STARTS TODAY

Sign-up sheets are in Fellowship Hall detailing the many volunteer opportunities still available as we host SOS from April 3rd to April 10th. We are still in need of donations and volunteers, especially for security. To donate, please make checks payable to Northbrook Church and designate SOS in the memo portion of the check. We are truly thankful to all of you who have dedicated your time, talents and money to this great mission. Please call Barb Stetson at (248)302 3033 or email her at bbkstetson@comcast.net with questions.

LIVING THE QUESTIONS??????

We took a break for the Lenten study, but our Winter class will finally conclude this week. We will meet in the Library on Wednesday, April 6 at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. for Chapter 14—*Honoring Creation*. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Marjorie at marjorie@northbrookpc.org.

NORTHBROOK BOOK CLUB

Please join the Northbrook Book Club on Monday, April 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library as we discuss Lisa See's book, *Shanghai Girls*. All are welcome to Northbrook's book club. We value each person's perspective. You are also invited to join book club members to hear Lisa See speak about *Shanghai Girls* and her experiences as a writer on Tuesday, April 12 at 7:00pm at Temple Beth El. Tickets are required. Please RSVP to Nancy Best if you plan to attend this event.

LIVING THE QUESTIONS: SPRING TERM

This DVD-based curriculum attempts to offer an alternative to studies that give us all the answers but rather creates an environment where we are free to interact with each other, live deeply into the questions we all share and explore what relevance Christianity has for us today. We'll listen in on conversations with some of the leading voices of Christianity in our world and discover where we stand on the important questions of faith. This term's study includes such subjects as: Does God's grace truly have no bounds? Realizing God's Vision. Prayer--Intimacy with God. Compassion--The heart of Jesus' ministry. Creative Transformation. Embracing Mystery.

Each class stands alone so it is not necessary to have attended Fall or Winter term to enjoy this study. We will meet in the Library on Wednesdays. Choose either the morning session at 10 a.m. or the evening session at 6:30 p.m. and feel free to move between the two as your schedule permits. Cost is \$5 for materials. Spring term classes start on Wednesday May 4 and run for 7 weeks. Please let the church office know if you plan to attend so we can be sure to have enough materials for everyone.

SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

There is spring in the air! Our beautiful Northbrook grounds need some loving attention from all of us. On Saturday, April 23rd at 9:00 a.m., we will gather to ensure our grounds are as beautiful as we can make them. There are tasks for every talent and ability. Bring your gloves, rakes, hand tools and your willingness to share in the fellowship. You can participate for the whole morning or any part of it. Nobody is turned away! *In case of rain, the makeup date is May 7, same time and place.*

SIGN UP NOW FOR THE YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Now is the time to sign up for the Youth Mission trip taking place on June 19th-25th. The trip is for students currently in eighth grade and above and will take place in Princeton, Illinois this year. Contact Ken Stetson for information at (248)642-0200, ext. 21 or ken@northbrookpc.org. You can also find more information by visiting <http://groupmissiontrips.com/workcamps/>. Each year, the Youth Mission trip proves to be a life-changing experience, and we're looking forward to another amazing trip!

KNIT WITS

The Knit Wits will meet on April 13 and April 27 at 7:00 p.m. Please join us.

SENIOR SOUPER SUPPER

Join us for fellowship and a delicious soup dinner on Thursday, April 14 and April 28 at 5:30 p.m. in the Library.

EMERGENCY MEAL PREPARATION

Occasionally, there are members of our Northbrook family who, after illness or hospitalization for example, could benefit from a few meals being delivered to their home. These are simple meals and are provided for a couple of weeks if needed. Your Board of Deacons will organize the process if you would be willing to volunteer to cook and deliver a meal. If you would like to be included on the list of emergency meal preparers, please email Lee Anne Hemberg at LHemberg@aol.com with your name, email and phone information or call her at (248)762-9919. Thank you!

THANK YOU

To my Northbrook Church Family,

My heartfelt thank you for your prayers, visits, cards and phone calls to comfort me on the loss of my beloved Bill. We were blessed when we came to Northbrook so many years ago. You truly live the Love of Jesus Christ.

In Gratitude,

Edna Gadsby

SERMON NOTES:

THIS WEEK AT NORTHBROOK

SUNDAY, April 3

10:15 a.m.

Worship & Communion

10:15 a.m.

KIDS' Connection

SOS Week (4/3—4/10)

MONDAY, April 4

8:00 p.m.

AA Meeting—Men's Group

WEDNESDAY, April 6

10:00—11:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

6:30—8:00 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study

THURSDAY, April 7

10:00 am

NO Men's Connection

Adult Education Committee Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, April 10

10:15 a.m.

Worship

10:15 a.m.

KIDS' Connection

Blood Pressure Screening

4:00 p.m.

Mid Highs

6:00 p.m.

Senior Highs

Office Hours

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Worship: Sundays at 10:15 a.m.

More news and calendar information can be found online at www.northbrookpc.org

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