

Welcome to

Northbrook Presbyterian Church

November 5, 2017



All Saints' Sunday

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.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Grant Burnham

One: When we stand at the edge of fear and worry,

All: **God invites us to step into the waters of faith and trust.**

One: When we stand at the edge of the world's pain and need,

All: **Jesus invites us to step into the land of humble service.**

One: When we stand at the edge of our hunger and thirst,

All: **the Spirit invites us to sit at the table of grace.**

*OPENING SONG 839—*Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!*

Hymnal

PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

One: The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Let us admit our brokenness to God.

—*silent prayer*—

One: Eternal God,

All: in every age, you have raised up women and men to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those of ages past, who have served you with faith, hope and love, we may inherit the kin-dom you promised in Jesus Christ.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* THE PEACE

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

* SONG 727—*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

Hymnal

SCRIPTURE READING—*Joshua 3: 7-17*

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SERMON—*The Greatest Among You*
Matthew 23:1-12

Jacqueline Spycher
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PRAYER FOR ALL THE SAINTS

WE REMEMBER THEM

George Morris

Robert Wunderlich

Corinne Abatt

Karen Keier

Ruth Krebs

Miscyrene Noakes

Beverly Hothem

Helen Chapman

Richard Ross

WE BRING OUR GIFTS FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST

* OFFERTORY SONG—*Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi*
Chancel Choir

David Childs

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION 519—*You Are My Strength When I Am Weak*

Hymnal

THE LORD'S SUPPER

We welcome everyone who believes in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior to share in this meal. This morning, we serve by intinction. Please come forward by the center aisle, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and eat. Return to your place via the side aisles. If you are more comfortable to remain where you are, we will gladly bring the bread and cup to you. For those who desire it, you will find gluten-free bread and individual cups of juice on the table.

INVITATION AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: In union with Christ's offering to us, we live out the mystery of faith proclaiming:

All: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

SONGS DURING COMMUNION

525—*Let Us Break Bread Together*

Hymnal

507—*Come to the Table of Grace*

CLOSING PRAYER

* SENDING SONG 326—*For All the Saints*

Hymnal

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* Please stand if you are able.

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LEADING YOU IN WORSHIP TODAY ARE:

LITURGIST: Grant Burnham

PASTORAL ASSISTANT: Jacqueline Spycher

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Angel Gippert

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

SOUND: Michael Bauhof

VISUALS: Bryan Adair

CENTER DOOR GREETER: Allison Broadwell

SANCTUARY DOOR GREETER: Bill Travis

COMMUNION SERVERS: Allison Broadwell, Diane Joppie, Sue Koss

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Placed by Mona Guindi in memory of our beloved deceased ones.

WINDOW FLOWERS: Placed by Phil Owen in celebration of Phil and Judy's 49th wedding anniversary.

*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*

PRAYER REQUESTS: Barb Stetson, Michael Campion, Bob Miller, James Grady, Roger McGuineas, Tracey Parker, Margaret Babb, Al & Mary Alice Shrosbree, Georgenia Keoleian, Seglinda Kelle-Pritchard

The Board of Deacons also requests prayers for: Church members whose last names begin with the letter B and the Fort Street Open Door Ministry program.

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.

A PLACE TO GATHER AND GROW IN GOD

Thank you to all who support Northbrook's work through your pledges and regular offerings. For 2018, 83 households have pledged \$315,625 thus far. This generous start must continue to grow in order to accurately include all of our faithful congregation's 140 giving households and to fully fund our \$440,000+ annual budget. If you have not yet pledged, cards are available in the pews to place in the Sunday offering, or simply mail or email your confidential pledge to financial secretary Kathy Brooks at kathy@northbrookpc.org. Thank you for giving to the best of your ability to make Northbrook *A Place to Gather and Grow in God*.

ANNOUNCING A NEW PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY! THE GOSPEL OF JOHN: THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD
This Gospel differs from the other three Gospels in every aspect, especially in the view it gives us of Jesus. This theologically complex story of Jesus is rich in symbolism, irony, paradox and mysticism and weaves throughout the theme of light and darkness. We will read this gospel together and explore the intriguing facets of the Incarnate One. Classes are in the Library on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. or 7 p.m. and began on November 1. Bring your Bible and your open heart. If you plan to be there, please email Marjorie at marjorie@northbrookpc.org.

NORTHBROOK MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORIES

The 2017-2018 membership directories have arrived. Please pick up your copy (one per family) in the main hallway. Be sure to cross your name off the master membership directory so we know who has received their copy. Also, please share any updates or corrections with Becky in the church office. Thank you.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CHAMBER CONCERT—TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra will hold a chamber concert featuring the Mendelssohn Octet at Northbrook on Tuesday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. Seating is general admission. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased by visiting the Detroit Symphony Orchestra website at www.dso.org or by calling their box office at (313)576-5111.

SENIOR SOUPER LUNCH—THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Join us in the Library at 1:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month for a delicious soup and salad lunch. Bring a friend. No reservations are required.

KNIT WITS—NOVEMBER MEETING DATE CHANGE

Because of Thanksgiving, the Knit Wits will meet on Wednesday, November 29 at 1:00 p.m. in the Library.

SPECTRUM ORCHESTRA CONCERT—FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2017

Spectrum Orchestra will be having a concert at Northbrook on Friday, November 17 at 7:30 p.m. The concert will feature Brahms (Academic Festival Overture), Dvorak (Concerto for Cello) and Beethoven (Symphony No. 1). Tickets are \$15, \$12 for Seniors 65+ and free for kids 18 and under. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online by visiting www.spectrumorchestra.org. There is general admission seating, and doors open one hour prior to the performance.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION PROGRAM—SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

The Adult Education Committee is offering a program beneficial to ALL on Christian Meditation, also known as Contemplative Prayer, by Elizabeth King, a seasoned meditator. It will bring balance to our sometimes over-scheduled lives, help us realize we are loved and empower us to grow to our full potential as sons and daughters of our Father. Join us on Saturday, November 18 from 11:00 a.m. to noon. We will meet in the Library, and coffee and breakfast treats will be available.

NORTHBROOK BOOK CLUB—MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

The title for November's book club meeting has changed. Please join us in discussing *The Rosie Project* by Graeme Simsion on Monday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

WESTMINSTER CHURCH THANKSGIVING

Westminster Church will serve its 35th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner this year, and they are looking for volunteers to help make this Thanksgiving a success. Westminster needs volunteers Monday through Wednesday for set-up and Thursday to serve, deliver meals and help clean up. To volunteer, please email wcodthanksgiving@gmail.com or call (313)341-2697, ext. 309. If you are able to contribute financially, they would welcome a contribution to purchase turkeys. Checks may be made payable to Westminster Church, memo: Thanksgiving, and mailed to 17567 Hubbell, Detroit, MI 48235.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

First Church of Christ, Scientist invites you to attend their Thanksgiving Day service on Thursday, November 23 at 10:30 a.m. in the Library. This one hour service consists of hymns, reading of the Thanksgiving Proclamation of the President of the United States, Scriptural selections; recitation of the Lord's Prayer, a brief sermon from the scriptures and their correlative passages from their denominational textbook, a vocal solo, testimonies by Christian Scientists appropriate for the occasion, a closing reading and a benediction. This is a special service members look forward to on a day set aside to express gratitude to God for all of our blessings.

PWN FUN GROUP HOLIDAY EVENT—FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

All ladies are invited to the FAVORITE THINGS holiday event!! This night is truly a night of great joy and fellowship with your Northbrook “church lady friends”. It is the kind of night that special memories are made. We’ll enjoy appetizers in a joyous holiday setting while learning a little bit more about each other. Each guest is asked to bring either an appetizer, dessert or drink and a gift to share that is priced \$25 or under. The gift should be one of your favorite things, something you love so much that you want someone else to have one just like it! You are not giving away your own favorite thing! You are giving one just like it that you have purchased. This special night is Friday, December 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the clubhouse of Bingham Woods Condominiums. RSVP on the sign-up sheet in the hallway or email nancybest@gmail.com. We really hope you can join us this year!

~With joy,

Nancy Best, Kim Bowden-Adair, Peggie Schiller and Barb Stetson

SHOE DRIVE

Five year old Max Van de Vyver and his family are holding a Shoe Drive for Soles 4 Souls and have invited Northbrook to be a part of this effort. Max did a geography project on Kenya, and then he had the opportunity to hear the Ugandan Kids Choir perform at Northbrook! He learned that not all kids are afforded the same privileges, safety, education and care that he has. Max is partnering Soles 4 Souls, an organization that distributes shoes to impoverished countries around the world, including America. If you have a pair of gently used shoes, any size, color, children's, men's or women's that you are willing to part with, please leave them in the box in the main hallway or you can email MaxShoeDrive@gmail.com for more information. Thank you so very much!

This Week at Northbrook

SUNDAY, November 5

10:15 a.m. Worship & Communion
10:15 a.m. KIDS' Connection
11:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

MONDAY, November 6

10:00 a.m. Adult Education Committee Mtg.
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting—Men's Group

TUESDAY, November 7

7:00 p.m. Mission Connection Comm. Mtg.
7:00 p.m. DSO Chamber Concert

WEDNESDAY, November 8

10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
5:00 p.m. LOGOS
7:00 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study

THURSDAY, November 9

8:00 a.m. Men's Connection
1:00 p.m. Senior Souper Lunch

SUNDAY, November 12

10:15 a.m. Worship
10:15 a.m. KIDS' Connection
11:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
11:30 a.m. Deacons' Meeting
Blood Pressure Screening



Feast of Faiths

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 19, 2017

5 pm - Worship • 6 pm - Dinner

First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham
1669 W. Maple • Birmingham, MI

Please join us as together we give thanks to God for all that God has given to us. We will share worship in which we discover the roots of thankfulness in each of our traditions and then we will share a meal in thanks. There is no charge for the meal and all are welcome.

We are also collecting
canned or dry goods as a

Feast From Faiths

These goods will help support:

- Haven (which supports victims of domestic violence)
- The Welcome Inn (Oakland County's only low-barrier winter day shelter)

Supporting Faith Communities

- Muslim Unity Center
- Temple Israel (West Bloomfield)
- St. Regis Roman Catholic Parish
 - St. James Episcopal Church
- First Baptist Church of Birmingham
- First United Methodist Church of Birmingham
 - Northbrook Presbyterian Church
- First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham

Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

The cost of each plant is **\$9.50**. Make checks payable to Northbrook Presbyterian Church with "Poinsettias" written in the memo portion of the check.



- ____ **Number of Red Poinsettia Plants**
- ____ **Number of White Poinsettia Plants**
- ____ **Total Number of Plants Ordered**

Enclosed is \$ _____ to cover the cost of the plant(s).

Name: _____

Phone: _____

I would like my plant(s) placed in memory of/in honor of (circle one):

____ Please check here if you would like a Deacon to take your Poinsettia plant(s) to a shut-in following the 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service.

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Orders due by Sunday, November 26th
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(Please print clearly. This dedication information will be printed in the Christmas Eve bulletin.)

Office Hours

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

Friday: 9 a.m.—Noon

Summer Worship: Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

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

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