

Welcome to

Northbrook Presbyterian Church

February 3, 2019



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

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

One: We are called to love the Lord our God

All: We are called to love with all our heart and soul

One: We are called to love the Lord our God

All: We are called to love with all our mind and strength

One: We are called to love the Lord our God

All: And we are called to love our neighbor as ourselves.

One: Come, let us love our God

and share God's love in this time of worship!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, Your word says love is patient and kind.
But we confess the times when we have been impatient and unkind.**

**Your word tells us that love does not envy,
that it does not boast,
and that it is not proud.
But we confess that sometimes we have been envious,
and boastful, and proud.**

**Your word tells us that love is not easily angered,
and that it keeps no record of wrongs.
But we confess how quickly we fly off the handle,
and how carefully we keep score when we have been wronged.**

**Your word says that love does not delight in evil
but rejoices with the truth,
that it always protects, always trusts, always hopes,
always perseveres.**

**Help us, Lord, to be kind, and patient, and honest.
Protect us with Your love, Lord,
and help us to choose the way of trusting You,
putting our hope in You,
and persevering in Your ways,
knowing that love never fails,
and that You never fail. Amen.**

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.
During the hymn, the children are invited forward for a special message.
They are then dismissed to KIDS' CONNECTION*

* SONG 693—*Though I May Speak*

HYMN 188—*Jesus Loves Me!*

Hymnal

SCRIPTURE READING—Psalm 25:4-10

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SERMON—*In a World Where You Can Be Anything...Be Kind*
1 Corinthians 13

Rev. Anne Schaefer
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WE BRING OUR GIFTS FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST

OFFERTORY HYMN—*Only God*
Chancel Choir

Mary McDonald

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION 525—*Let Us Break Bread Together*

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

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.

SONGS DURING COMMUNION

507—Come to the Table of Grace

520—*Taste and See*

CLOSING PRAYER

* SENDING SONG 366—*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

Hymnal

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* Please stand in body or spirit.

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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

LEADING YOU IN WORSHIP TODAY ARE:

INTERIM PASTOR: Rev. Anne Schaefer

ASSISTANT PASTOR OF OUTREACH MINISTRIES: Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Angel Gippert

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

VISUALS: Bozena Johnson

SANCTUARY DOOR GREETER: Cindy Sowle

CENTER DOOR GREETER: Betsy Savage

COMMUNION SERVERS: Amy Annett, Allison Broadwell, Brian Long, Judy Owen

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Place by the Guindi family in memory of Louise.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Mary Sandercock and family, Ellsworth Adams and family, Joyce Hamburg, Walt Young, Jim Hothem, Margaret Babb, Steve DeCarteret, Ellie Poster, Tracey Parker, Sam Owens, Brad Back, Bob Miller, Connie & Roger McGuineas, Al & Mary Alice Shrosbree, Seglinda Kelle-Pritchard

The Board of Deacons also requests prayers for: Church members whose last names begin with the letter O and people who are caregivers for their elderly parents.

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.

NORTHBROOK ANNUAL MEETING—SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

We encourage you to attend Northbrook's Annual Meeting next Sunday, February 10 following worship where we will celebrate our accomplishments of last year. The Congregational Life Committee has planned a light breakfast to be served during coffee hour.

CHILDREN'S BEDDING DRIVE ENDS TODAY

On a weekly basis, the Furniture Bank of SE Michigan provides beds to more than 15 area children who are living in poverty, transitioning from homelessness, working with child protective services or fleeing crisis and abuse. We can provide these children with some comfort and cheer with the gift of **new Twin Size** sheet sets, comforters and mattress covers. A complete twin bedding set in a bag is another great option. Now is a great time to shop for these items due to the White Sales in retail stores. During these cold winter months, let's share some Northbrook love and care as we support this mission initiative. We will collect the new bedding packages in the main hallway near the nametag table. **The Bedding Drive runs from through today.** For more information or questions, please contact Winnie Davies-Hancock at (248)593-8035 or winsomeann@aol.com.

HOLY CASSE-ROLLERS—SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Do you like to cook or simply help your neighbors in need? Join us in the kitchen on Sunday, February 10 at 4 p.m. as we cook and assemble casseroles for the Welcome Inn, our ministry partner and daytime warming center for the homeless near 10 Mile and Lahser. No cooking experience is needed. The Welcome Inn will supply the recipes and pans. We simply need to add the food with some neighborly love. Contact Jackie Spycher with questions at jacqueline@northbrookpc.org.

SENIOR SOUPER LUNCH—THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14 AND 28

Join us at 1 p.m. in the Library on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month for a delicious soup lunch. Friends and neighbors are welcome.

KNIT WITS—WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Knit Wits will meet in the Library on Wednesday, February 27. All skill levels are welcome.

MEN'S CONNECTION

Men's Connection meets on Thursday mornings at 8 a.m. in the Library. All men of the church are welcome to attend.

CHANCEL AND WINDOW FLOWERS

Dedicating Chancel or window flowers is a wonderful way to honor or memorialize a loved one during the worship service. Please see the sign-up sheet for Chancel and Window Flowers in the main hallway. Chancel flowers are \$45 and window flowers are \$25 for a pair.

2019 GIVING ENVELOPES HAVE ARRIVED

If you haven't picked up your giving envelopes, contact Mike Krug at the church at (248)642-0200 or mike@northbrookpc.org. Thank you.

SOS SAVE THE DATE—SEPTEMBER 8 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15

This year, Northbrook will be hosting South Oakland Shelter (SOS) from Sunday, September 8 to Sunday, September 15. This is where homeless guests stay a week at our church in their transition to getting their own home. We do this every other year. It is a truly amazing experience, but we need many hands to accomplish this!!! More details to follow but please save the date. If you have any questions, see Barb Stetson at bbkstetson@comcast.net or (248)302 3033.

YOUR SHOPPING AT SERRV.COM BENEFITS NORTHBROOK'S MISSION FUND

Do you like to shop online and purchase lovely gifts that support Fair Trade and make a positive difference in the world? We now have our own Northbrook custom link to the SERRV website which allows you and your friends, colleagues and family to purchase items year round from SERRV's entire line of over 1000 wonderful items. Purchases made via Northbrook's custom link will allow Northbrook's Mission Fund to earn 20% of the total sales. This means you will be bringing joy to your gift recipient, providing economic support, relief and empowerment to those in need in the U.S. and around the world and also contributing to the mission work done by our congregation. We have a number of catalogs on hand at church. **Share our link** with friends and family, and our Mission Fund can earn funds throughout the year while we support SERRV partners! **Here is our link which you have to use in order for Northbrook Mission to earn the extra funds:** <http://serrv.org/?a=Northbrook> Sign in as a guest or create your own log-in. For assistance with questions or ordering, contact Winnie Davies-Hancock at winsomeann@aol.com or (248)593-8035.

WORSHIP AT THE WELCOME INN

The Welcome Inn is the only day warming center to serve the homeless population of southern Oakland County. Housed at Covenant Presbyterian Church near 10 Mile and Lahser, they serve our neighbors in need during the coldest weeks of the year (mid-December-early March). Northbrook has been a ministry partner for years, contributed financially as well as given food, clothing and toiletries. In the first week of this year's season, we even served as shuttle bus drivers transporting guests from the overnight shelter to the day center. This season, Northbrook is sponsoring a weekly communion service at the Welcome Inn on Thursdays at 4 p.m. Led by Pastor Jackie, the service includes scripture, prayer, music and communion. If you would like to volunteer with the Welcome Inn or attend the service, contact Jackie at jacqueline@northbrookpc.org.

This Week at Northbrook

SUNDAY, February 3

- 10:15 a.m. Worship & Communion
- 10:15 a.m. KIDS' Connection
- 11:30 a.m. Deacons' Meeting
- 11:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- Last Day of Bedding Drive

MONDAY, February 4

- 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting—Men's Group

WEDNESDAY, February 6

- 12:00 p.m. AA Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. LOGOS

THURSDAY, February 7

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Connection

SUNDAY, February 10

- 10:15 a.m. Worship
- 10:15 a.m. KIDS' Connection
- 11:15 a.m. Annual Meeting & Luncheon
- 11:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. Holy Casse-Rollers

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OFFICE HOURS

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

Worship: Sundays at 10:15 a.m.

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