

Welcome to

Northbrook Presbyterian Church

March 5, 2017, Lent Week One



*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.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Matt Broadwell

The dust that shapes the journey,
the cross that guides it,
the color that surrounds it,
the light that fades through it,
the word that foretells it,
the wilderness that invites it.

This is Lent, and into its wilderness God calls us.

Come, brothers and sisters,
Christ is heading for Jerusalem.

* OPENING SONG—*God is Holding Your Life* (based on Psalm 121)



Lift up your eyes, be-hold the hills. From where will help and res-cue come?
 Turn now your gaze up - on the earth Where is the One Who nev-er sleeps?
 Ven - tur - ing out or com-ing home, 'neath heat of day or cool of night,



We call the One who made the earth, Who bless'd the stars, the moon and sun.
 We call the One who guards you now, Your spir - it safe in ho - ly— keep
 We call the One who hears your voice and comes to heal and keep your life



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Words by Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

Tune: O Waly Waly

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Because temptation is woven into the fabric of our lives,
 and we know the weariness of forty days in the desert,
 and the beckoning power of sweet fruit,
 and the vain promises of the world,
 we need you, God.

We need you, God.

Because we see the broken before the whole,
 and the half empty cup, and the unfinished task,
 and the thirst in freedom's quest,
 we need you, God.

We need you, God.

Because we trust in what we can see,
and we are blinded by our prejudices,
and we do not know what we do not know,
we need you, God.

We need you, God.

Because our need for correctness exceeds our need for truth,
and our excuses preempt the cry of the wounded,
and our celebration of blessing is mindless of those displaced,
we need you, God.

We need you, God.

Because you came among us,
and breathed into our sinewy souls,
and healed our pain and let us wound you,
and loved us to the end,
and triumphed over all our hatred,
we need you, God.

We need you, God.

—Silent reflection—

SUNG RESPONSE 577—*Lord, Have Mercy*

Hymnal

* THE PEACE

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

—All Children are invited to go to KIDS' Connection at this time—

* SONG 447—*We Are Forgiven*

Hymnal

SCRIPTURE READING—*Matthew 4:1-11*

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SONG 783—*When We Are Tested*

Hymnal

SERMON—*Tempted*

Rev. Marjorie Wilhelmi

WE BRING OUR GIFTS FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST

OFFERING SONG—*O Sacred Heart of Jesus*

Patrick Liebergen

Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S SUPPER

We welcome everyone who believes in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior to share in this meal. 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

SONGS DURING COMMUNION

518—Your Only Son, v. 2—3

Hymnal

522—I Am the Bread of Life

CLOSING PRAYER

* SENDING SONG 177—*I Will Come to You*

Hymnal

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

* Please stand if you are able.

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Prayer of Confession by Katherine Hawker, posted on Ponderings. <http://www.liturgyyoutside.net/blog/2011/02/litany-for-lent-a/>

LEADING YOU IN WORSHIP TODAY ARE:

LITURGIST: Matt Broadwell

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Angel Gippert

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

SOUND: Dave Vander Weide

VISUALS: Bill Jordan

SANCTUARY DOOR GREETERS: John & Marilyn Thomas

CENTER DOOR GREETER: Bill Jordan

COMMUNION SERVERS: Michael Bauhof, Grant Burnham, Joyce Hamburg

COFFEE HOUR, CHANCEL AND WINDOW FLOWERS: Presented by Henry Horldt, Bonny Montanari, Mary Poulin and Trisha Murray in honor and memory of his wife and their mother, Barbara Horldt

PRAYER REQUESTS: Jim Hothem and family, Richard Keier and family, Dick & Alma Ross, Ruth Krebs, Al & Mary Alice Shrosbree, Tracey Parker, Georgenia Keoleian, Seglinda Kelle-Pritchard

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 or visit.

The Board of Deacons also requests prayers for: Church members whose last names begin with the letter H and participants in Northbrook's Bible study groups.

ONE WORLD SUNDAY FREEDOM HOUSE/DETROIT PROGRAM AND POTLUCK—**TODAY**

Join us today, March 5 at 4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall as we will honor our common humanity as children of God, learn about immigration practices in the U.S. and celebrate our diversity. We'll welcome and hear from our guests from Freedom House/Detroit. Please bring a food from an area of the world that is part of your family heritage. Feel free to wear clothing styles common to your heritage. At 4:00 p.m., we will be showing a short documentary film, *Locked in a Box*, followed by a group discussion. This film was sponsored by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service. At approximately 5:00 p.m., we'll enjoy our Family Roots International Potluck and fellowship with our Freedom House guests.

IM/MIGRATION: STATIONS OF THE CROSS—MARCH 2 THRU MARCH 14

In Lent 2012, Grace Commons, a house church in Chicago, curated 15 Stations of the Cross representing a series of significant moments in Jesus' last day, contemplating each station through the lens of immigration and migration. Artists from several churches and other organizations participated in creating the art. This curation was exhibited at the 2016 General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church USA and continues to be a topical issue for our country and our world today.

Walking the Stations of the Cross, or "praying" them, is a traditional spiritual practice among Christians. It's a practice that evolved so people anywhere could symbolically go on "pilgrimage" to the Holy Land and tap into the power of the location and the events that happened there. By entering the story of Jesus' last day through art, we reflect on The Passion outside of the intellect. *We involve our senses, our experience and our emotions. We invite you to take this self-guided walk in Fellowship Hall with your families, friends and neighbors as part of your spiritual journey this Lenten season.*

Hours of display:

Thursdays, March 2 and 9 from 2 – 7 pm

Fridays, March 3 and 10 from 10 – noon

Mondays, March 6 and 13 from 2 – 7 pm

Tuesdays, March 7 and 14 from 2 – 7 pm

PASTOR'S LENTEN STUDY—BEGINS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

In this time of reflection and preparation as we approach the holiest days of the Christian calendar, I invite you to an exploration of the Christian spiritual life. We will learn some basic language of spirituality and spiritual formation and try out time-tested spiritual practices. This time together is designed to help us find one or two spiritual disciplines that can become part of our daily discovery of God so that we might live deeper, more spiritually directed lives. This class will be offered for six weeks of Lent on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Library. For those interested, there is preparatory material so please let Marjorie know if you're coming at marjorie@northbrookpc.org.

PASSION FOR PALM SUNDAY?

We are planning a special Palm Sunday service, and the Worship Committee is looking for people to help! It won't be a huge time commitment, likely 2 meetings or so, and will be fun and fulfilling as we help prepare the way for our most sacred week. Don't worry, Marjorie is still in charge of her sermon but join us as we tap our creative selves to bring God's word to the people at this very special time. Please email Penny Willey at pennywilley@icloud.com if you want to help or have any questions.

NORTHBROOK BOOK CLUB—MONDAY, MARCH 13

Please join in at our next Book Club discussion on Monday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. We will be discussing *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou. This book is an autobiography about the early years of American writer and poet Maya Angelou. It is a coming-of-age story that illustrates how strength of character and a love of literature can help overcome racism and trauma.

KNIT WITS

Knit Wits will meet on Wednesdays on March 8 at 7 p.m. and on March 22 at **1 p.m.** in the Library.

SENIOR SOUPER LUNCH

Join us on Thursdays, March 9 and March 23 at **1 p.m.** in the Library for a bowl of delicious soup, salad and dessert.

PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT HANDS-ON MISSION OPPORTUNITY—SATURDAY, MARCH 18

The Presbyterian Men are hosting a Spring Service Project on Saturday, March 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. Our gathering place and base of operations will be Detroit Blight Busters in the Motor City Java House located at 17336 Lahser Road in Detroit just north of Grand River Avenue. There will be plenty to do for men and women with or without "construction" skills. We will work with Detroit Blight Busters to remove debris and damaged drywall from inside of a nearby building undergoing rehab. Our efforts will help another building be transformed from blight to new use. Rain or shine, come be a blessing to folks who care about their neighborhood and who appreciate our help. Michael Campion will be leading a group of Northbrook volunteers. Please contact Michael if you are interested or have questions at (248)794-3689 or by email at michael.campion60@gmail.com.

MISSION PROGRAM—SATURDAY, MARCH 11

Join us on Saturday, March 11 for a Mission Committee Outing to view the exhibit, *We Don't Want Them: Race and Housing in Metropolitan Detroit, 1900-1968*. This exhibit was produced by the Race2Equity Project of the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion. We will see it while it is being hosted at Cranbrook/Kingswood on Woodward Avenue in Bloomfield Hills. Our appointment time is at 1:00 p.m. After the exhibit, we can plan to go out for coffee and conversation in the area. Please sign up following worship services. Contact Winnie Davies-Hancock at (248) 593-8035 or at winsomeann@aol.com with any questions.

PRACTICING GOOD STEWARDSHIP OF OUR RESOURCES: *DO YOU NEED YOUR BULLETIN??*

As the church staff and leadership examine ways in which we can be better stewards of our resources, we wonder how much people actually use their bulletins. All of the worship material in the bulletin is projected on the screens, and the announcements are available on our website and in the email blast that Becky sends out each week. As we explore our actual usage of the printed bulletin, please help us by NOT taking a bulletin if indeed you don't really use it during or after worship. *Of course, if you want one, take one!* We'll be tracking actual usage over the course of the next several weeks to see if this may be a way we can reduce our printing costs while still meeting your needs. If you have questions, concerns or suggestions about this, we'd love to hear from you! Send an email to becky@northbrookpc.org with your reaction.

NORTHBROOK CALENDAR

SUNDAY, March 5

- 10:15 a.m. Worship & Communion
- 10:15 a.m. KIDS' Connection
- 11:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. One World Sunday International Program & Potluck

MONDAY, March 6

- 2—7:00 p.m. Im/migration Stations of the Cross
- 7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting
- 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting—Men's Group

TUESDAY, March 7

- 9—4:00 p.m. CPM Meeting (Library)
- 2—7:00 p.m. Im/migration Stations of the Cross (Fellowship Hall)
- 3:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting (room 6)
- 7:00 p.m. Mission Connection Committee Meeting (Library)
- Zumba is canceled today

WEDNESDAY, March 8

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Lenten Study Class
- 5:00 p.m. LOGOS
- 7:00 p.m. Knit Wits

THURSDAY, March 9

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Connection
- 1:00 p.m. Senior Souper Lunch
- 2—7:00 p.m. Im/migration Stations of the Cross

FRIDAY, March 10

- 10—Noon Im/migration Stations of the Cross
- 7:30 p.m. Spectrum Orchestra Concert

SUNDAY, March 12—*Daylight Saving Time Begins*

- 10:15 a.m. Worship
- 10:15 a.m. KIDS' Connection
- 11:30 a.m. Deacons' Meeting

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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.

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