

Welcome to

Northbrook Presbyterian Church

March 10, 2019



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

One: God watches over our waking and sleeping.

All: Our help comes from God who made heaven and earth.

One: God saves our feet from slipping and stumbling.

All: Our help comes from God who made heaven and earth.

One: God keeps guard over our comings and goings.

All: Our help comes from God who made heaven and earth.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We admit we are hesitant to walk to Jerusalem and beyond with you, God of Glory. In a world where we worry about tomorrow before enjoying today, we race by your moments of silence, of learning. In that flood of worries, which can overwhelm us, we may miss that assurance that you have not cut us off from your grace. In the deserts of our desires, we may ignore that feast of hope, of joy, of life you offer to us.

Forgive us and have mercy on us, Gentle Guardian of our souls. In humility, may we offer our lives to others. In love, may we share your grace with everyone we meet. In hope, may we wait for you all our days, as you come to us in the life and joy of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

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 629—*Jesus the Very Thought of Thee*

Hymnal

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

HYMN—*Oh How Good It Is*

see next page

SCRIPTURE READING—John 4: 46-54

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SERMON—*Signs and Wonders*

Rev. Anne Schaefer

WE BRING OUR GIFTS FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST

OFFERTORY HYMN—*Without His Cross*
Chancel Choir

Joseph Martin

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Oh How Good It Is

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty,
Ross Holmes & Stuart Townend



1. Oh how good it is when the
(2. Oh how) good it is on this
(3. Oh how) good it is to em -



fam - 'ly of God dwells to - geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni -
jour - ney we share to re - joice with the hap - py, and weep with those who
-brace His com - mand to pre - fer one an - oth - er, for - give as He for -



-ty; Where the bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
mourn; For the weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace, when we
-gives; When we live as one we all share in the love of the



fruit of His pres - ence here a - mong us. So, with one voice we'll
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son, with the Fa - ther, and the Spir - it.



sing — to the Lord, and with one heart we'll live — out His word; Till the



whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come, for He dwells in the



pres - ence of His peo - ple.

2. Oh how - ple.

* SENDING SONG 765—*May the God of Hope Go with Us*

Hymnal

* BENEDICTION

CHOIR RESPONSE—*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*
Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

* Please stand in body or spirit.

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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: Keith Lee

SOUND: Dave Vander Weide

SANCTUARY DOOR GREETER: Lois Kurta

CENTER DOOR GREETER: Michael Huddlestun

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Liz Hurbis and Stephanie Wicker

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Placed in memory of Louise Guindi by her family.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Mary Sandercock and family, Ellsworth Adams and family, Sallie Dorer, Joyce Hamburg, Walt Young, Jim Hothem, Margaret Babb, Steve DeCarteret, Ellie Poster, 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 V and the youth group at Northbrook.

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.

Lenten Preaching Schedule

Throughout the Season of Lent, the pastors will be preaching on the Miracles in John's Gospel. These miracles, which are also known as "Signs," lead to the beautiful story of Easter which we celebrate on April 21st.

Healing of Official's Son—John 4: 46-54

Healing at the Pool—John 5: 1-9

Feeding the 5,000—John 6: 1-15

Jesus Walks on Water—John 6: 16-21

Healing of Blind Man—John 9: 1-7

Raising of Lazarus—John 11

The Empty Tomb—John 20: 1-18

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13—APRIL 17

During the Lenten Season, Pastor Anne will lead a Bible Study on Sacred Places. We will explore the sacred places of the Bible as well as those places that are holy to us. If you are interested in joining us for this time of study and fellowship, please let Anne know at anne@northbrookpc.org. The Bible Study will meet in the Library on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. from March 13th—April 17th.

ONE WORLD SUNDAY

The One World Sunday program, originally scheduled for Sunday, March 10, has been postponed and will be rescheduled for another time.

PER CAPITA REMINDER: \$25 PER MEMBER GOES A LONG WAY!

Each year, all churches within our denomination are assessed an annual fee per member, known as Per Capita, to support our shared participation in the Presbyterian Church/(USA). This year, Northbrook's Per Capita assessment is \$7,223. We ask that you help defray this expense by making a voluntary gift of \$25 for each Northbrook member in your household. We sincerely hope all members will consider giving this year. It's about 50 cents per week per member, but it adds up to thousands of dollars when you respond. Please consider donating via the offering, on line, by mail or look for eager finance committee members in coffee hour over the next couple of weeks to give via credit or debit card! Thank you for supporting Northbrook's annual budget and the work of our denomination.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CHAMBER CONCERT—MONDAY, MARCH 11

Come to Northbrook Church on Monday, March 11 at 7 p.m. for a spectacular performance of Beethoven's Septet in E-flat major. Artists include: Hai Xin Wu, violin; James Van Valkenburg, viola; Una O'Riordan, cello; Stephen Molina, bass; Shannon Orme, clarinet; Michael Ma, bassoon. Tickets are \$15 for Adults and \$10 for students with general admission seating in the Sanctuary.

To purchase tickets, go to: <https://www.dso.org/TicketsReserve.aspx?performanceNumber=5458>

SPECTRUM ORCHESTRA CONCERT—FRIDAY, MARCH 15

Spectrum Orchestra will hold its winter concert at Northbrook on Friday, March 15 at 7:30 p.m. The concert will feature works by Schubert (Rosamunde Overture), George Frederick McKay (Moonlit Ceremony), Gounod (Petite Symphonie) and Schubert (Symphony No. 8, "Unfinished"). Adam C. Riccinto will be the Guest Conductor. Tickets may be purchased through their website at: www.spectrumorchestra.org.

CAMP LOCK-IN—FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Our Camp Lock-In is scheduled from Friday, March 22 at 7 p.m. until 9:30 a.m. for 1st-12th graders. This is an opportunity for youngsters to see what camp is like and try-out a night away from home. Bring a sleeping bag, pillows and toiletries, and we will provide a snack Friday night and breakfast Saturday morning. Admission is \$10. Contact Ken Stetson for more information.

AUDITORS WANTED

The Finance Committee seeks 2 members to review Northbrook's 2018 financial records and procedures. This typically involves a couple of on-site visits to Northbrook sampling financial transactions and confirming balances, assessing compliance with procedures, and a summary of findings that is submitted to Session. The estimated time is 10 - 15 hours during the month of March. This short-term commitment provides a useful service to the church. Qualifications include: Church member not currently serving on Finance Committee or Session; detail-oriented; financial or business background helpful but not required. Guidelines to assist in the review are available. To volunteer or learn more, please contact Mark Best at bestmar@gmail.com or (248)763-5121.

MEN'S CONNECTION

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

PRAYER CHAIN

Once again, please consider joining our Northbrook Prayer Chain, a group of our members who offer their prayers for those among us who are going through difficult times. Prayer is a powerful force, and we welcome anyone interested in adding their voice to our group. If you choose not to join us, please know that you can contact me, Pastor Anne, Pastor Jackie or Becky in the church office if you would like a prayer offered for someone who may be in need of support. ~Sallie Dorer

SENIOR SOUPER LUNCH—THURSDAY, MARCH 14 AND MARCH 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.

BRADY'S BUNCH—TUESDAY, MARCH 19

Want to get to know some of the faces you see around Northbrook? Join us on Tuesday, March 19 at 6:30 p.m. for dinner at Brady's Tavern located at 31231 Southfield Road. There's no agenda. It's just an evening to gather and enjoy each other's company. New faces are always welcome. Contact Pastor Jackie with any questions.

PUB THEOLOGY—TUESDAY, MARCH 26

Join us, as well as members from the Kirk in the Hills and First Presbyterian Church of Troy, for an evening of discussion and drinks. We will cover the first round of appetizers. You cover your drink, and, together, we'll have a great time! New faces and friends are always welcome. Open to any adult. We meet at 7:00 p.m. at the Black Lotus Brewing Company located at 1 E. 14 Mile in Clawson. The discussions are led by Rev. Jackie Spycher and Rev. Jasmine Smart.

KNIT WITS—WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

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

REBUILDING TOGETHER SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN EVENT—SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Get ready Northbrook for another fun and successful day of community outreach. We have been assigned a home to help do some general maintenance and repairs on both the inside and outside of the home. The home will be located in Southfield just like last year. The group will be working approximately 6 to 8 hours on Saturday April 27th. We need approximately 15 to 20 volunteers and lunch is provide.

Rebuilding Together helps people and communities in need by bringing together a national network of local affiliates and corporate and individual donors. In the last ten years, 200,000 homes, nonprofit facilities and community spaces have been repaired and cared for. Their Mission is: Repairing homes, revitalizing communities, rebuilding lives.

Thank you Northbrook for your previous years of service. We are excited for this years event where we touch the lives of the community we serve through the love of Jesus Christ. If you want to learn more about Rebuilding Together and this coming event go to: <https://www.rebuildingtogethersem.org/events/>. For further information, contact Michael Bauhof at mike99bike@gmail.com or (248)602 5060.

SOS SAVE THE DATE—SEPTEMBER 8 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15

This year, we will be hosting South Oakland Shelter (SOS) and homeless guests at Northbrook from Sunday, September 8 to Sunday, September 15. 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.

THE *SPRING PREVIEW SERRV CATALOG* IS NOW ON THE NAMETAG TABLE AND IN THE OFFICE Purchasing lovely Fair Trade items via Northbrook's own website link enables you to make a positive difference in the world while also supporting Northbrook's Mission Fund. Please share our link with friends, family, colleagues and neighbors. Over 1000 items are on the website! Your purchases provide economic support, relief and empowerment to those in need in addition to allowing our congregation to increase its mission outreach. 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.

This Week at Northbrook

SUNDAY, March 10

- 10:15 a.m. Worship
- 10:15 a.m. KIDS' Connection
- 11:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 11:30 a.m. Deacons' Meeting
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Group

MONDAY, March 11

- 7:00 p.m. DSO Chamber Concert
- 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting—Men's Group

TUESDAY, March 12

- 6:30 p.m. Congregational Life Comm. Mtg.
- 7:00 p.m. Building & Grounds Comm. Mtg.
- 7:00 p.m. Mission Connection Comm. Mtg.

WEDNESDAY, March 13

- 10:30 a.m. Lenten Bible Study
- 12:00 p.m. AA Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. LOGOS

THURSDAY, March 14

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

FRIDAY, March 15

- April Newsletter Articles Due
- 7:30 p.m. Spectrum Orchestra Concert

SUNDAY, March 17

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

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