

Welcome to

— *Northbrook Presbyterian Church* —

May 5, 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

One: Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: As we enter into God's presence,
God calls us by name and invites us to believe.

All: We believe, O God. Help our unbelief!

One: As we enter into God's presence,
Christ offers us the fullness of life everlasting.

All: May we live our faith with the fullness of hope and joy!

* OPENING SONG 386—*Come Worship God*

Hymnal

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION AND ASSURANCE

One: That which was from the beginning, which we have heard and seen with our eyes
concerning the word of life, we proclaim to you.

All: God of light, in whom is no darkness, we praise you.

One: The life was made manifest, and we testify to it.

All: God of light in whom is no darkness, we praise you.

One: If we say we have fellowship with God while we walk in darkness,
we do not live according to the truth.

All: God of light, in whom is no darkness we praise you.

One: If we confess our sins, Jesus Christ is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and
cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**All: Jesus is the expiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the
whole world.**

* 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 message and then to return to their seats.*

* SONG 250—*In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

Hymnal

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM—*God is Bigger than the Boogieman*

VeggieTales

SCRIPTURE READING—Act 9:1-20

NT p. 127

SERMON—*How to Make The Right Choices*

Rev. Anne Schaefer

WE BRING OUR GIFTS FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST

OFFERTORY ANTHEM—*Because He Lives, Amen*
Chancel Choir

Tomlin, Cash, arr. Hogan

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

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

500—*Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread*

Hymnal

536—*Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen*

Hymnal

PRAYER

* SENDING SONG 441—*Hear the Good News of Salvation*

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: Keith Lee

SOUND: Michael Bauhof

CENTER DOOR GREETER: Edna Gadsby

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: The Adult Education Committee

COMMUNION SERVERS: Dan Gross, Judy Owen, Betsy Savage, Penny Willey

PRAYER REQUESTS: John & Marilyn Thomas, Bruce Thomas, Marcia Olson, Faith Rick, Joyce Hamburg, Walt & Donna Young, Barbara L. Davidson, 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 H and members of the Building & Grounds Committee.

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.

HOLY COW!

This is a friendly reminder to please complete the Church Assessment Tool (CAT) survey this week. The link was emailed to you from Becky, and was also in your Friday email update. If you received a yellow postcard to complete a paper copy, please come to room 6 after church to complete the survey. **The survey closes, and will no longer be available after May 12.** Also, please sign up on the sheets outside Fellowship Hall to participate in a small group discussion on either Sunday, June 2 or Sunday, June 9 after church, or the evening of Tuesday, June 4. If you have any questions, please call the church office at (248)642-0200.

CANS FOR COMMUNION—TODAY

Please drop off your cans of food on Communion Sundays so we can help put food on the table for those who are hungry. No glass and please check expired dates. Thank you!

BINGO DE MAYO MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER—TONIGHT AT 5 P.M.

There's still time to join us tonight at 5:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall for our annual Mission Trip Fundraiser Dinner to help fund our high school mission trip to Winchester, Kentucky in June. We will enjoy dinner along with a silent auction and BINGO with prizes! The cost is \$10 per person or \$25 per family. RSVP by seeing Ken Stetson after worship or emailing him at stetson.kenny@gmail.com.

HOLY CASSEROLLERS!—MAY 6

Our ministry partner, The Welcome Inn, is looking for help. With their new summer schedule underway, they need folks to prepare and serve lunches once a month from May—October. We will gather to prepare our first lunch on Monday, May 6 at 6:30 p.m. at Northbrook. We will then serve on Tuesday, May 7 from 12-2 pm in Berkley. If you would like to help either prepare or serve, please sign up in the hallway or through Pastor Jackie.

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY—SATURDAY, MAY 11

Join us on Saturday, May 11 from 9 a.m. to noon for a couple hours of work as we continue to make Northbrook a place to gather and grow. Please bring your work gloves, rakes, clippers, etc. If it rains on May 11, we will move the clean-up day to Saturday, May 18.

MOTHER'S DAY COFFEE HOUR—SUNDAY, MAY 12

Calling All Moms: Everyone is invited to a Mother's Day Cupcake and Punch celebration following worship on Sunday, May 12. The event will feature festive goodies befitting the day and is open to all.

SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE TOUR—MONDAY, MAY 13

Please join us on Monday, May 13 at 11 a.m. for a trip to St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia to view the hand calligraphed and illuminated Saint John's Bible. The Saint John's Bible is a grand collaboration of artists led by Donald Jackson, official scribe and calligrapher to the Crown of Great Britain. The Bible has been hand illuminated through ancient methods by contemporary artists. The docent guided viewing will include the background information on this special Bible that was worked on for over ten years. It is an extraordinary work! This is a partial display. There is no charge for the tour. After viewing the Bible, we will lunch at Cantoria Italian Market, a short drive from the hospital. Carpooling or possible use of the church van will begin at 10:15 a.m. or you can meet there. If you would like to attend, sign up in the hallway. Please contact Liz Hurbis with questions.

BOOK CLUB—MONDAY, MAY 20

The Northbrook Book Club will meet on Monday, May 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library to discuss *The Storied Life of AJ Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin. All are welcome to join in! Amazon Book Description: *On the faded Island Books sign hanging over the porch of the Victorian cottage is the motto "No Man Is an Island; Every Book Is a World." A. J. Fikry, the irascible owner, is about to discover just what that truly means. As surprising as it is moving, The Storied Life of A. J. Fikry is an unforgettable tale of transformation and second chances, an irresistible affirmation of why we read and why we love.*

BRADY'S BUNCH—TUESDAY, MAY 21

You are invited to Brady's Bunch on Tuesday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m. at Brady's Tavern located at 31231 Southfield Road. Pastor Jackie will reserve a table. Come for dinner, and we will have an evening of fellowship and fun. There's no agenda other than getting to know others in the Northbrook family.

KNIT WITS—WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

Knit Wits will meet at 1 p.m. in the Library on Wednesday, May 22. All skill levels are welcome.

SENIOR SOUPER LUNCH—THURSDAY, MAY 9 AND MAY 23

Join us at 1 p.m. in the Library for a delicious soup lunch on May 9 and May 23.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND CARNIVAL—MONDAY, MAY 27

Mark your calendars and plan on joining in the fun! Northbrook will again be walking in the Beverly Hills Memorial Day Parade as well as hosting a carnival booth on Monday, May 27. Sign up in the church hallway to march or help with the booth. Contact Pastor Jackie with questions.

PUB THEOLOGY—TUESDAY, MAY 28

Join with folks from First Presbyterian Church of Troy and others from the broader community for a conversation over appetizers and drinks. We supply the discussion questions and apps. You supply the insights and drinks. We will gather at the Black Lotus Brewing Company located at the corner of E. 14 Mile Rd. and Main St. in Clawson at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28. Please contact Pastor Jackie with questions at jacqueline@northbrookpc.org.

PWN FUN NIGHT EVENT—FRIDAY, JUNE 7

Please join us on Friday, June 7 at 7 p.m. for a Candle Pour Party at the Green Daffodil in Ferndale. Green Daffodil is a natural products handmade candle and bath/ bodyworks company. For \$35 per person, you will make your own soy, vegan candle, blending your own scent and designing your own label. We will have the store and workshop to ourselves and will be able to bring in any snacks and drinks to add to the fun evening. We need a minimum of 12 people and a maximum of 14 people to attend. To sign up for the event, contact Stephanie Wicker at sawicker@gmail.com or (248)701-6287 after 4:30. You can find out more information about Green Daffodil at www.greendaffodil.com.

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. More details to follow but please save the date.

THE *SPRING PREVIEW SERRV CATALOG* IS NOW ON THE NAMETAG TABLE AND IN THE OFFICE Purchasing 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. Use this link 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 questions, contact Winnie Davies-Hancock at winsomeann@aol.com or (248)593-8035..

FUNDRAISING AUCTION RETURNING THIS SPRING—MAY 19

The Season of Giving FUNdraiser held in late 2017 was so popular that we are bringing it back May 19! Members and friends offer goods and services for bid with proceeds supporting our annual operating budget. We will not only raise funds, but we'll promote fellowship, discover each other's skills and interests and serve one another. All sorts of things were offered last time. Think of what you'd like to contribute or buy, fill out the form on the next page and return it to the box in the hallway.

SPRING FUNDRAISER

Spring has sprung, bringing renewed energy after winter's long cold days! Among the many activities, classes, worship experiences and service efforts now underway, we are also busily planning an important fundraising event. It will not only help fund our general budget, but it'll also offer energizing opportunities for getting to know one another better and for sharing the gifts God has given us through generosity and service to others.

The Spring FUNdraiser will run May 19 until inventory is depleted. It offers goods and services YOU donate with the proceeds supporting our general operating budget. Use the form below to note items, services or skills you'll donate, or indicate something on which you'd like to bid—a church friend might have just what you're looking for! Offerings could range from a homemade baked good to a weekend getaway. Or, maybe you could offer a handmade scarf, window washing, a packed picnic basket, rides to the airport, piano lessons, iPhone training, being a walking partner, etc. Let your ideas SPRING forth!

Return the completed form to the box in the church hallway by Sunday, May 12.

Questions? Please contact Pastor Jackie at jacqueline@northbrookpc.org or Amy Annett.

Donor Name: _____

Goods, services, or skills offered (list items and quantity, e.g. 1 round trip to the airport; 2 homemade blueberry pies; 4 math tutoring sessions; 1 set of gently used weights, etc. Please include a suggested value of the donation, if known.)

Items you'd like to buy (list something with which you need help, e.g. walking partner twice weekly through June, help planting flowers, help assembling furniture, etc.)

This Week at Northbrook

SUNDAY, May 5

- 10:15 a.m. Worship & Communion
- Blood Pressure Screening
- Bring Cans for Communion
- 11:30 a.m. Deacons' Meeting
- 11:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 p.m. Bingo de Mayo Fundraiser
Dinner, Bingo & Auction

MONDAY, May 6

- 6:30 p.m. Holy Casserolers Meal Prep
- 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting—Men's Group

TUESDAY, May 7

- 7:00 p.m. Mission Connection Comm. Mtg.

WEDNESDAY, May 8

- 12:00 p.m. AA Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

THURSDAY, May 9

- 9:30 a.m. Finance Committee Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Senior Souper Lunch

SATURDAY, May 11

- 9:00 a.m. Spring Clean Up Day
(Rain Out Date is May 18)

SUNDAY, May 12

- 10:15 a.m. Worship
- 10:15 a.m. KIDS' Connection
- 11:30 a.m. Mother's Day Coffee Hour

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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