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*Northbrook Presbyterian Church*

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May 12, 2019



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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*

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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<sup>1</sup>

One: Holy and just,

**All: make us like Jesus.**

One: Ready to take risks,

**All: make us like Jesus.**

One: Aware that we're loved,

**All: make us like Jesus.**

One: When people meet us,

**All: may they meet God in us.**

One: Children of God

**All: This is what we are.**

One: People of God

**All: This is who we are.**

One: Knowing this, let us worship God together!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

\* OPENING SONG 265—*Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

Hymnal

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION AND ASSURANCE

One: Lord, we will follow you wherever you might lead.

**All: Lord, we will follow you.**

One: Forgive us when we stumble and when we stray.

**All: Forgive us when we are distracted and lose our way.**

One: Be the one to whom we turn, whose hand we hold.

**All: Be the Shepherd who leads us safely to the fold.**

One: Lord, we will follow you wherever you might lead.

**All: By your grace you have led us from death to life.**

\* 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 go to KIDS' Connection.*

\* SONG 312—*Take Us As We Are, O God*

Hymnal

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Anne Schaefer

SONG 240—*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*

Hymnal

SCRIPTURE READING—Psalm 23: 1-6

OT p. 501

SERMON—*Imitating Jesus*

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Acts 9: 36-43

NT p. 128

WE BRING OUR GIFTS FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST

OFFERTORY ANTHEM—*I Will Joyfully Sing in the Morning*  
Chancel Choir

Mary MacDonald

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* SENDING SONG 187—*Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

Hymnal

\* BENEDICTION

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: Bozenna Johnson

SOUND: Dave Vander Weide

SANCTUARY DOOR GREETER: Debbie Smith

CENTER DOOR GREETER: Todd Dolan

COFFEE HOUR HOST & FLOWERS: Henry Horldt in honor of his mother, Martha Horldt

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Placed by the Guindi family in memory of Louise Guindi and in celebration of her daughter Lauren's birthday.

WINDOW FLOWERS: Placed by Henry Horldt in honor of his three daughters, Bonny Montanari, Mary Poulin and Trisha Murray, and Judy Owen, Rev. Anne Schaefer, Rev. Jacqueline Spycher, Angel Gippert and Bruce & Judie Murdock

*The red carnations are given in honor of Barbara Horldt and all mothers.  
Even when they are gone, they are always with us.*

*All women of the church are invited to take a flower.*

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 letters I and J and honoring mothers near and far.

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.

### **LAST CALL!**

The Church Assessment Tool (CAT) Survey closes tonight at midnight and will no longer be available. PLEASE, if you haven't already, take the time (20-30 minutes) to give your input which is crucial to the process of finding our next pastor. If you need the link to complete the survey, please go to Room 6 following worship to get the link. If you need to take the survey on paper, please go to Room 6 after the service to complete it. Also, please sign up for the Small Group Discussions. The sign-up sheets are in the hallway outside Fellowship Hall.

Thank you for your valuable participation in this process!

The Self Study Team,

Matt Broadwell, Ann Daniels, Doug Joppie, Bill Jordan, Seglinda Kelle-Pritchard, Penny Willey, Sherrill Heinrichs and Rev. Anne Schaefer

### **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 toward the back of the bulletin and return it to the box in the hallway.

### **PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY—BEGINS JUNE 12**

Please join Rev. Anne Schaefer as she holds a 4 week Summer Bible Study beginning June 12. There is a short book by Adam Hamilton entitled "WHY?" It addresses these 4 questions Christians ask:

- ◆ Why Do the Innocent Suffer?
- ◆ Why Do My Prayers Go Unanswered?
- ◆ Why Can't I See God's Will for My Life?
- ◆ Why God's love Prevails?

The questions are set in the context of scripture and use both biblical and current examples to tackle these difficult questions. The dates for the study will be June 12, 19, 26 and July 3 at 10:30 a.m. in the Library. Please RSVP to Anne at [anne@northbrookpc.org](mailto:anne@northbrookpc.org) so that there are enough books.

### 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 23

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

### MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND CARNIVAL

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](mailto: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. Right now, we need one more person to sign up to meet the minimum and three more to meet the maximum. If you are interested, please sign up as soon as possible** by contacting Stephanie Wicker at [sawicker@gmail.com](mailto:sawicker@gmail.com) or (248)701-6287 after 4:30. You can find out more information about Green Daffodil at [www.greendaffodil.com](http://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.

## HELP NEEDED

A church member desperately needs to hire a person or persons to help her get her bedridden husband up and dressed in the morning and ready for bed in the evenings on Saturdays and Sundays. Times are flexible, maybe 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Each time would be about hour. If you could do any part of the weekends, it would be so appreciated. Please see or call Sherrill Heinrichs at (248)798-7643 as soon as possible if you or someone you know might be interested. Thank you.

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](mailto:winsomeann@aol.com) or (248)593-8035.

## 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, it will 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 and the proceeds support 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](mailto: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.

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**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.

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## This Week at Northbrook

### SUNDAY, May 12

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

### MONDAY, May 13

- 11:00 a.m. Saint James Bible Tour
- 6:30 p.m. Holy Casserolers Meal Prep
- 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting—Men's Group

### TUESDAY, May 14

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

### WEDNESDAY, May 15

- 12:00 p.m. AA Meeting
- June/July Newsletter Articles Due

### THURSDAY, May 16

- 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### SUNDAY, May 19

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

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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](http://www.northbrookpc.org)