

Welcome to

Northbrook Presbyterian Church

May 26, 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: Holy are you, O God of grace and mercy.
May all the nations praise you, O God.

**All: May all the nations of the earth joyfully
sing because God's justice is supreme!**

One: May the love that lights up the face of God
shine with favor upon us, and bless us;

**All: teaching us God's way of living and loving
so that we may witness to that love and grace.**

One: We gather to worship our wise and holy God.
We are in awe and revere you for your saving works.

**All: We come together to seek your blessing, O God.
Praise be to our generous and just God. Amen.**

* OPENING SONG 43—*On Eagle's Wings*

Hymnal

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION AND ASSURANCE

Holy One, we celebrate that where people are gathered together in love:

You are present and good things happen and life is full.

We celebrate that we are immersed in your mystery, our lives are more than they seem:

**We belong to each other and to a universe of great creative energies,
whose source and destiny is you, our God.**

We celebrate that your spirit beat in the heart of Jesus of Nazareth:

**The good news of your healing, embracing and liberating love was heard by the broken,
the lonely and all bound by life's sorrows and struggles.**

We celebrate that the spirit of peace and hope is present with us and through us:

In our struggle to love, we incarnate your holy presence in our world.

And so, aware of the hurts and longings all of us carry, the awe and wonder that is around
us, and the gifts of faith and this community of faith:

We pause and we become ever aware of the sacredness of our lives.

In that awareness, may we act and speak and live.

May it be so...

* 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 697—*Take My Life (vs. 1-4)*

Hymnal

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

SONG 697—*Take My Life (vs. 5,6)*

Hymnal

SCRIPTURE READING—1 Samuel 16:1-7

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SERMON—*What Makes A Hero?*

Rev. Anne Schaefer

WE BRING OUR GIFTS FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST

OFFERTORY ANTHEM—*Unbroken Praise!*
Chancel Choir

Arr. Richard Kingsmore

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

* SENDING SONG 337—*My Country, 'Tis of Thee*

Hymnal

* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE—*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

POSTLUDE

* Please stand in body or spirit.

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Liturgy written by Joan Stott

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: Bryan Adair

SOUND: Dave Vander Weide

SANCTUARY DOOR GREETER: Bill Travis

CENTER DOOR GREETER: Dan Gross

COFFEE HOUR HOST: Jim Hothem

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Placed by the Guindi family in loving memory of Mounir Guindi

WINDOW FLOWERS: Placed by Jim Hothem in memory of his love, Bev Hothem, who married him 68 years ago today. She left us February 5, 2017, but is never forgotten.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Janet Evans and family, Lori Sandercock and family, John & Marilyn Thomas, Julie Huddlestun, Bruce Thomas, Marcia & Rob Olson, 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 L.

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.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE: JUNE 9—SEPTEMBER 8
SUNDAYS AT 9:45 A.M.

Summer time means a change to Northbrook's worship time and location. Beginning June 9 and going through September 8, we will shift our worship time to 9:45 a.m. on Sunday mornings and move to the outdoor patio. Those who prefer the outdoors will be able to sit outside. Those who prefer indoors will be able to sit inside in Fellowship Hall.

If it is raining or too hot, we will move the 9:45 a.m. service into the Sanctuary.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The church office will be closed on Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day. Regular business hours will resume on Tuesday.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Beginning May 31, the church will be closed on Fridays until after Labor Day.

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.

WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Don't forget to sign up for the small group discussion opportunities led by the Self Study Team on the following dates: Sundays, June 2nd or 9th following worship or Tuesday, June 4th at 7p.m. This is part of our journey as we explore who Northbrook is and our hopes for the future in preparing for the search for our next pastor. These discussions will last about an hour, and the sign-up sheets are in the hallway outside Fellowship Hall. We need to hear from you! Thank you in advance!

The Self Study Team,

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

MUSIC APPRECIATION SUNDAY—NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 2

Please join us for Music Appreciation Sunday as we honor and celebrate those who fill our Sanctuary with their music and voice during our worship services.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES

It's that time of year when we honor our graduates as they trade caps and gowns for the next adventure in their lives. In order that we may remember each graduate from high school, college or an advanced degree program, we need families and friends to let us know if you, your child or spouse is completing a degree. Please let Becky in the office know by **Thursday, June 6** the names of your graduate(s) and their degree(s) so that they may be honored at a special Dads & Grads coffee hour on Sunday, June 16.

FUNDRAISING AUCTION

Our Season of Giving FUNdraiser kicked off last Sunday! Check it out in Fellowship Hall following worship. Members and friends have offered goods and services for bid with the proceeds supporting our annual operating budget.

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.

WELCOME INN FUNDRAISER—WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

Come support our ministry partner, The Welcome Inn, at a fundraising reception and musical performance of Mamma Mia! on Wednesday, May 29 at St. Dunstan's Theatre located at 400 Lone Pine Rd. in Bloomfield Hills. The reception begins at 7 p.m., and the curtain goes up at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased from Pastor Jackie (jacqueline@northbrookpc.org). The Welcome Inn is a day warming center for the homeless in South Oakland county. To learn more, visit sochwi.org.

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 so that there are enough books.

SLICES FOR DADS AND GRADS— SUNDAY, JUNE 16

June marks special celebrations to honor the dads and graduates among us. What better way to mark the occasion than with slices of pizza and cake for all. Come and celebrate on Sunday, June 16 after worship. Rev. Rick Peters, Pastor Emeritus at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church will be our guest pastor on June 16th.

SENIOR SOUPER LUNCH—THURSDAYS, JUNE 13 AND JUNE 27

Join us at 1 p.m. in the Library for a delicious soup lunch on June 13 and June 27.

KNIT WITS—WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

Knit Wits will meet at 1 p.m. in the Library on Wednesday, June 26. All skill levels are welcome.

NORTHBROOK BOOK CLUB—MONDAY, JULY 1

The Northbrook Book Club will meet on Monday, July 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library to discuss *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THIS SUMMER AT NORTHBROOK

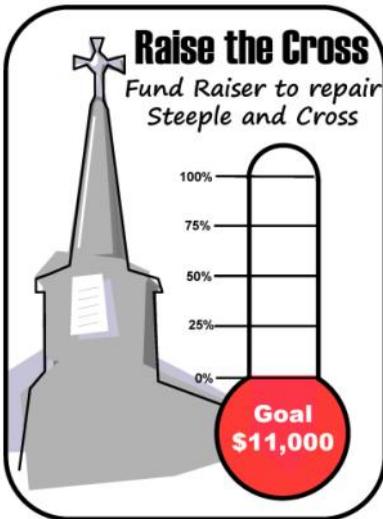
This summer, children aged 3-5th grade are invited to join us as we venture into the wild with stories and animals of all kinds at Vacation Bible School! Mark your calendars and plan on joining us Tuesday, August 13 through Thursday, August 15 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. We'll wind down the week with a family movie night for the whole congregation on Friday, August 16. Registration forms will be available in the hallway. Vacation Bible School is open to any child so invite neighbors, friends and family.

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 SERRV CATALOG IS 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.



Raise the Cross

Fund Raiser to repair Steeple and Cross

100%
75%
50%
25%
0%

Goal \$11,000

THE STEEPLE FUND

Paint the Steeple and Mount A New Cross! Last winter's storms left our cross dangling from the steeple peak. In assessing the damage, it was apparent that we needed not only to replace the cross, but to repaint the steeple as well. Insurance proceeds, reduced by our deductible and depreciation, are not enough to cover the costs. However, as so often happens, adversity brings opportunity. Northbrook member Jim Hothem has stepped forward with a generous gift toward this project, and we invite you to join him! Your gifts in any amount are welcome to help repaint our steeple and mount a new cross at its peak. You'll find envelopes marked "Steeple Fund" in the main hallway and at the Spring FUNdraiser table during coffee hour. Thank you for joining in this project of renewal!

This Week at Northbrook

SUNDAY, May 26

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

MONDAY, May 27

- Office Closed—*Happy Memorial Day*
- 11:00 a.m. Memorial Day Parade & Carnival
- 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting—Men's Group

TUESDAY, May 28

- 7:00 p.m. Pub Theology

WEDNESDAY, May 29

- 12:00 p.m. AA Meeting

THURSDAY, May 30

- 11:00 a.m. Robert Evans Funeral Service

FRIDAY, May 31

OFFICE CLOSED

SATURDAY, June 1

- Noon Veda Harris Memorial Service

SUNDAY, June 2

- 10:15 a.m. Worship
- 10:15 a.m. KIDS' Connection
- 11:15 a.m. Small Group Discussion Mtg.
Blood Pressure Screening

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Closed Fridays: May 31—August 30

Worship: Sundays at 10:15 a.m.

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