



Newtown Square Presbyterian Church

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NSPC Weekly

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The NSPC congregation extends a warm welcome to those who are visiting with us today. If you are in search of a new church home, we invite you to make that home with us. Please check the appropriate column on the pew pad if you would like to visit with the pastor or would like more information about the church. Include your phone number and/or email address. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Gathering Room following the service.

Worship Leader: Buff Biddle

Ushers: Joe Marchesani, Capt; Joe Kasuska, Glenn Bechtold

Acolyte: Danny Arraya

Acolyte Guide: Sue Bechtold

Fellowship Hosts: Kathy Donovan

Sunday School Attendance – Let your teachers know you are here!

Sunday school is for children Pre-K through grade 4. The teachers are in their rooms preparing for class. By signing in, they know you are here and are expecting you! *(This also saves time with not taking attendance in class.)* Scan the QR code here:



Are you visiting us today?

We would love to get to know you!
Please sign in using this QR code:



THE LORD'S DAY
Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 25, 2026

10:00 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PRELUDE *How Great Thou Art* Helvey

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 27:1, 8):**

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

"Come," our hearts say, "seek God's face!"

Lord God, we seek to stand before your face.

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

***THE LIGHT OF CHRIST WELCOMES US TO WORSHIP**

***HYMN OF PRAISE 411.....DIOS ESTÁ AQUÍ**

"God Is Here Today"

*(Choir will sing the first time through; congregation, please join us the
second time and third time)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,

***we confess that we have not been faithful to you in
our thoughts and actions.***

We have been selfish in our desires

and quarrelsome in our relationships.

*We have allowed fear to divide us from those who
seem different,
and let distrust separate us from our neighbors.
Shine your light into our darkened hearts.
Save us from our divisive ways.
Unite us in the same mind as Jesus Christ
who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit
in perfect harmony. Amen.*

(Please offer in silence your personal confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news:
*In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!*

***GLORIA PATRI 581**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.*

JUNIOR CHOIR.....*Jesus Loves Me*
*(Children are dismissed for Sunday school following Junior Choir's
performance; youth remain in worship.)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

NT Page 1661 Corinthians 1:10-18

This is the Word of our Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM*Great Is the Lord*arr. Larson

Juliet Rand & Brynn Terry, Duet

*Great is the Lord, He is holy and just,
By His power we trust in His love.*

*Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true,
By His mercy He proves He is love.*

*Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory.
Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice,*

Now lift up your voice. Great is the Lord. Great is the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READING

NT Page 35.....Mark 1:21-28

This is the Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON **Rev. Bill Searight**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Apostles' Creed*)

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

***HYMN OF RESPONSE 181.....EBENEZER**

“Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE BRING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS BEFORE GOD

To give electronically, scan this QR code on your smart phone. Please feel free to give in-person as well.



OFFERTORYThe Lord's Prayer.....arr. Larson

NSPC Singers

Our Father, which art in heaven

Our Father, Hallowed be thy name

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth,

As it is in heaven.

Our Father, hallowed by thy name.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

As we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation;

But deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom,

And the power, And the glory forever. Amen

***DOXOLOGY 606**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***CLOSING HYMN 838**PROMISES
“Standing on the Promises”

***BENEDICTION**

***WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

***POSTLUDE***Postlude*Lutkin
**Congregation standing in body or spirit, as able*

UPCOMING EVENTS. *This Week @ NSPC*

Today, Sunday, January 25, 2026

10:00 AM	Worship Service
10:15 AM	Sunday School
11:00 AM	Fellowship Hour
11:15 AM	Annual Meeting in Sanctuary

Monday, January 26, 2026

10:00 AM	Knitting Group
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Tuesday, January 27, 2026

8:00 AM	Men's Christian Fellowship
1:00 PM	Last Tuesday Book Club

Thursday, January 29, 2026

6:00 PM	AA
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Saturday, January 30, 2026

10:00 AM	ACA
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Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Following worship TODAY, there will be an annual meeting of the congregation in the Sanctuary. Please stay to hear brief reports from our committee chairs. *We are all a part of what makes this congregation such a wonderful community of faith!*

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday

9:00 – 3:30

Friday Closed

Worship Notes

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The chancel flowers this morning are given by Marge DeYoung in honor of Ginny Berman's birthday. Happy Birthday, Ginny!

Prayer Requests



Please share your prayer concerns! Trusting that God hears our prayers, we want to pray with and for you!

This week, please pray for:

- Eric Jones & his family
- Lois Peck
- Randy Keaton & family (Lauren Snyder's father)
- CB (Coworker of Sara Cuccia)
- John Spaeder & Family
- Helen Walter (friend of Joe Falcon)
- Dennis White (friend of Joe Falcon)
- David Bryan (Brad Impriano's uncle)
- Jim Shea, Sr. (father of Jim Shea)

Announcements

NEW Sign-ups weekly chancel flowers and fellowship hour for 2026 are available. Please consider signing up for one of these wonderful missions. *Thank you from the Deacons of NSPC!*

You can sign up using this link or the QR Code below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0949AFA629A5FE3-59442854-2026#/> There are sign-up boards in the gathering room too. Thank you!



WEEKLY FLOWERS FOR THE CHANCEL:

The flower arrangement will be delivered from the Media Florist and placed on the Chancel prior to Worship. The cost for donating the flowers for one Sunday is \$25. Please make all checks out to NSPC and write "Chancel Flowers" in the memo section. You are welcome to take the flowers home with you or donate them to someone in our congregation who is feeling under the weather.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR COFFEE/REFRESHMENTS IN THE GATHERING ROOM: Following Worship, coffee, cold beverages and light snacks are provided in the Gathering Room. This is a short but very worthwhile activity as NSPC friends gather to greet each other and have friendly conversation. Hosts can share the duty and provide this time of refreshment. ***We especially need hosts on the second Sunday of each month.*** The Deacons have their monthly meetings those Sundays and cannot host. Thank you so much!



Join us to celebrate Ting Ting and her 8 ½ years at NSPC. We are planning a luncheon Sunday, February 15th to honor Ting Ting on her last day with us. More details to come!



**American
Red Cross**

Blood
Services

**Our next ARC Blood Drive is
scheduled for January 29th
from 2-7 PM. We hope to see**



you there. We have begun scheduling for our drive. Please scan the QR code to sign up!

Youth Announcements

Youth Group Schedule

- 2/1 Topic: Coffee with Jesus Series (PM)
- 2/8 Topic: Coffee with Jesus Series (PM)
- 2/15 Breakfast Club (AM)



The youth group meeting time is changing! Youth Group will return to meeting Sunday evenings from 7-8 PM. Youth remain in worship on the first Sunday of the month for communion. And, Breakfast Club will remain on the third Sunday of the month from 10:15-11:15.

Please watch our announcements for the times of our meetings!



Kids Junior Choir

Back by popular demand, Kids Junior Choir is coming back to NSPC! During the school year, on the last Sunday of the month, our NSPC Children will perform a song during the Children's Message portion of the

service. Children will learn a song during Sunday School and on the day-of singing in the service, children will practice before the service at 9:45am with Ting Ting. Check out Kids Junior Choir on January 25th. This is a great opportunity for our children to be part of the service and is also an opportunity to invite family to the service. If your child is not interested in singing, not a problem! They can still learn the songs in Sunday School and watch the Junior Choir sing. Thank you to Beth and Debbie for their commitment and enthusiasm to teach our children these songs!



In Ministry Together at Newtown Square Presbyterian Church:

Pastor	The Rev. Bill Searight
Parish Associate.....	The Rev. Dr. Nancy Holt Timothy
Director of Music.....	Ting Ting Wong
Director of Youth & Families	Kristi Schaub
Church Office Manager	Heather Impriano
PreK-2nd Sunday School Teacher	Beth McCarry
3 rd -6 th grade Sunday School Teacher	Debbie Villano
Nursery Attendants	Grace McCarry & Sadie Kazanjian
Spiritual Director	Jacki Tase
Co-Director, NSPC Preschool.....	Jane Fioravanti
Co-Director, NSPC Preschool.....	Meghan Kazanjian
Clerk of Session	Buff Biddle
President, Board of Trustees	Jim Shea
Moderator of Deacons.....	Margie Garwood
Co-Treasurer	Rich Digby
Co-Treasurer	Heather Impriano
Head Usher.....	Grant Snyder
Communion Coordinator	Carol Guest
Presbyterian Women.....	Ginny Berman

Plus...all the members of NSPC

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