



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: Dennis DiGirolamo

Ushers: Ernie Arraya, Capt; Grant Snyder,

Acolyte: Grace McCarry

Acolyte Guide: Crystal Gray

Fellowship Host: Ginni Condo

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 the pew pad located near the hymnals or sign in by scanning this QR code:



THE LORD'S DAY
Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

10:00 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PRELUDE*I Gave My Life for Thee* by P. Bliss Arr. By A Whitworth

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

By God's great mercy, we have received a new birth into a living hope.

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Through the risen Christ, we live.

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

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

***HYMN OF PRAISE 263**.....CORONATION

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, in Jesus Christ,

you revealed the way that leads to life.

Too often, though, we let our fear block our faith.

We lock the door and hide from your presence;

we judge our neighbors as unworthy;

we follow roads that lead to destruction.

***Forgive us, Holy God, and guide us back into your presence.
May your Spirit open our hearts to the fullness of joy.
We pray in the name of Jesus. 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.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

NT Page 232First Peter 1:3-9

This is the Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE..... Rev. Bill Searight

*(Children are dismissed for Sunday school following the Children's Message;
youth group is dismissed for Breakfast club.)*

ANTHEM*Abide with Me*by W. Monk Arr. by M. Ijames
Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

NT Page 115John 20:19-23

This is the Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (From *Colossians 1:15-20*)

*Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation;
in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,
things visible and invisible.
All things have been created through him and for him.
He himself is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.
He is head of the body, the church;
he is the beginning,
the firstborn of the dead,
so that he might come to have first place in everything.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.*

***HYMN OF RESPONSE 729**.....I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN
“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

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...

During the prayer:
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

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.



OFFERTORY*The Holy City*.....by S. Adams
Sanctuary Trio

***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 275**EIN’ FESTE BURG
“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

***BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE***Allegro Moderato in G*.....by W.T. Best

**Congregation standing in body or spirit, as able*

UPCOMING EVENTS. *This Week @ ASPC*

Today, Sunday, April 19, 2026

10:00 AM	Worship Service
10:15 AM	Sunday School/Breakfast Club
11:00 AM	Fellowship Hour

Monday, April 20, 2026

10:00 AM	Knitting Group
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Tuesday, April 21, 2026

8:00 AM	Men's Christian Fellowship
6:00 PM	AA

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

10:00 AM	The Bible 101: Bible Study
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Thursday, April 23, 2026

6:00 PM	AA
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Saturday, April 25, 2026

10:00 AM	ACA
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The Session has called a congregational meeting to be held **April 26th at the conclusion of worship**, to hear the report of the Nominating Committee regarding a vacancy in the Deacons.

Worship Notes



The chancel flowers this morning are given by Mary Loomis in memory of her son, David Loomis.

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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
- Randy Keaton & family (Lauren Snyder's father)
- CB (Coworker of Sara Cuccia)
- Helen Walter (friend of Joe Falcon)
- Dennis White (friend of Joe Falcon)
- David Bryan (Brad Impriano's uncle)
- Barb Corsi
- Kristin Smith (Buff Biddle's daughter)
- Joe Falcon
- Penny & the Doran Family (friends with Julia Altenburger)
- John Hirt
- Verna Adkisson (Hirt Family)

Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday

9:00 – 3:30

Friday - Closed

Announcements



ONE GREAT
HOUR OF SHARING

Thank you to everyone who donated to **One Great Hour of Sharing**. Our total donation as a congregation was \$4,714.



Every pint donated makes a difference! Our next blood drive is scheduled for April 29th 2:00 PM—7:00 PM. Registration is open:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Newtown%20Township>



Friends, NSPC has been offered an opportunity to participate in Delco Gives. This will be a fund raiser for Rise Against Hunger (RAH). We can have a table at Arbor Day across the street at the Tavern. Information about our RAH efforts will be displayed at the table and information on ways

to donate. It is a great chance to raise money towards the 10th year of packaging. We need to raise over \$6000 towards year 10. Terri McCarthy has organized this opportunity. She suggests having treats at the table is a good way to capture attention. We are asking for donations of baked goods or snack packages to have on the table. All donations in non-returnable containers please. These can be brought to the Tavern or dropped at the church at the end of the week and mark it, "Tavern". Check in with Sue Bechtold if you drop off something: 484-832-8984. Help is also needed at the table for shifts starting at 10 and ending around 3:00 or 4. Volunteer today during coffee hour or contact Sue. Thank you.

Next year is year 10 and won't it be nice to pack another 20,000 meals and then our total contribution would be 200,000?

Youth Announcements

Youth Group Schedule

- 4/19 Breakfast Club (AM)
- 4/26 Outing to Top Golf (3 PM)
- 5/3 Youth in Church



Little Lights will meet again on **TODAY** from **11:15-11:45** in the youth room downstairs. All Preschool through 4th grade children are invited to be a part of Little Lights at NSPC – a faith-filled time to grow, play and shine together! **Grab a snack after Sunday School and then head down to the Youth Room!** We will enjoy crafts, songs,

and games. Join us as we learn to shine God's light together!



TOPGOLF

The youth group is going to Top Golf! Join us on Sunday, April 26th for an afternoon of golf, fun, and food! The cost will be about \$22 plus extra for concessions. We will be at Top Golf in King of Prussia from 3-5 PM. Let Ms. Kristi know you are coming!



Calling All Graduating Seniors – College & High School *If you have a graduating senior in either high school or college*, please send us a little bio, so your child can be recognized. We would like to collect all senior information by April 23rd. In the bio, please include their name, where they are graduating from, next step plans, any other important info like awards or hobbies, and one memory from NSPC.



Register Now! VBS returns June 22-25 from 9 AM -12 PM. Registration is filling up. If you haven't signed up yet, please sign up soon. We look forward to welcoming you back!



Help Out with VBS!

If you would like to VOLUNTEER during the week of VBS, we would love to have you! VBS truly cannot run without you! The cost of VBS for volunteer's children is \$25 for the first and \$20 for each additional child after that, which just helps us cover the cost of materials. Even if you think that I know you are volunteering, please fill out the google doc! We are also looking for decorators to help transform our space!



We are excited to share that Youth Sunday 2026 will take place on May 17th! This is a special service where all of our youth are invited to take part and help lead worship. The Kids Choir will be singing, and we would love to involve as many of our youth as possible as we

build this meaningful service around them. We are currently looking for youth interested in participating in the following roles:

- Readers
- Ushers
- Singers
- Instrumentalists

Please let me know if your child can attend and how they would like to be involved. We truly value each child's unique gifts and would love to include them in a way that feels comfortable and meaningful. Thank you! Ms. Kristi (youth@newtownsquarepres.org)



In Ministry Together at Newtown Square Presbyterian Church:

- Pastor The Rev. Bill Searight
- Parish Associate..... The Rev. Dr. Nancy Holt Timothy
- Director of Music.....Jin Hyun Park
- Director of Youth & Families Kristi Schaub
- Church Office ManagerHeather Impriano
- PreK-1st Sunday School TeacherBeth McCarry
- 2nd-4th grade Sunday School TeacherDebbie Villano
- Nursery Attendants Grace McCarry & Sadie Kazanjian
- Co-Director, NSPC Preschool..... Jane Fioravanti
- Co-Director, NSPC Preschool.....Meghan Kazanjian
- Clerk of Session Sara DiGirolamo
- President, Board of Trustees Robert Gray
- Moderator of Deacons..... Margie Garwood
- Co-Treasurer Rich Digby
- Co-Treasurer Carole Connolly
- Head Usher..... Grant Snyder
- Communion CoordinatorCarol Guest
- Presbyterian Women..... Ginny Berman

Plus...all the members of NSPC

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