



Youth Sunday



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: Jenna Baradic, Gabby DiGirolamo, Alexa Hill, Ella Impriano, Sadie Kazanjian, Grace McCarry, Sarah McCarry, Chiwa Vokhiwa

Ushers: Doug Lynch, Capt; Irene Bernabeo, Jack Chidester, Rich Digby, Danny Arraya, Jonathan Baradic, Lydia Baradic, Ella Copeland, Emily Cuccia, Ryan Cuccia, Camille Impriano

Acolyte: Danny Arraya

Acolyte Guide: Crystal Gray

Fellowship Host: The DiGirolamo & Baradic Families

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
Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026

10:00 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PRELUDE

Send the Light Arr. Charles H. Gabriel

Christopher Thacker, Piano Solo

How Great Thou Art Arr. Wayne Fritchie

Rob Schaub, Trombone Solo

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

In the quiet and in the noise,

God calls to us.

We are listening, Lord. Speak to us.

You are the light of the world.

God, help us to shine your light for all to see.

In our everyday lives at home, at school, in our community

God's light is revealed through us.

We come ready to be your light.

Do not hide your light but let it shine before others—

So that all may see and give glory to God.

Come, let us worship the One who calls us and sends us.

We are here, Lord. Let your light shine through us!

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

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

***HYMN OF PRAISE 17.....WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN**
“Sing Praise to God, You Heaven!”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Gracious and loving God,
you call us by name and invite us to be your light in the world,
yet too often we do not listen.
We confess that we miss your voice
in the busyness of our days.
We turn away when you call us to serve,
or we hesitate, unsure and afraid.
You have made us to shine your light,
yet we hide it.
Forgive us, O God. Help us to live as your light
sharing hope, showing love,
and reflecting your grace to all we meet.
In Jesus’ name we pray, 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

Lord God,
May we listen as you speak.
May we learn as you teach.
May we follow as you lead.
May we love as you love.
In Jesus’ name, Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE & SENIOR RECOGNITION Kristi Schaub
(Children will return to their seats following the Children’s Message. There is no Sunday School this morning.)

ANTHEM

Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary by John Thompson & Randy Scruggs
Grace McCarry, Soprano Solo

SCRIPTURE READING

OT Page 2471 Samuel 3:3-10
Spark Bible page 299

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

ANTHEM

This Little Light of Mine by unknown / music by D. Tselooyko
Kids Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

NT Page 4Matthew 5:14-16

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

SENIOR REFLECTIONS: Trevor Hill, Rob Schaub, & Kelsey Schaub
“Shining Together: Light, Hope, and Our Story at NSPC”

***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 744.....FESTAL SONG**

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

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

Jesus Loves Me.....by A. B. Warner / Music: Bradbury
Thanthwe Vokhiwa, Clarinet; Ben Kazanjian, Violin

Here I Am, Lord.....by Daniel L. Schutte
Trevor Hill, Clarinet

***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 853SIYAHAMBA**

*“We Are Marching in the Light of God”
(Verses 1 & 4)*

***BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE**

*My Lighthouse.....by Rend Collective
Kids & Youth Choir*

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

Kids Choir

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Morgan Altenburger | Tyler Altenburger |
| Jenna Baradic | Jonathan Baradic |
| Lydia Baradic | Ella Copeland |
| Lily Copeland | Emily Cuccia |
| Ryan Cuccia | Gabby DiGirolamo |
| Jacqueline DiGirolamo | Ben Kazanjian |
| Sarah McCarry | Riley Rustam |
| Remy Rustam | Eva Sava |
| Christopher Thacker | Thanthwe Vokhiwa |

Youth Choir

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|---------------|------------------|
| Alexa Hill | Camille Impriano |
| Ella Impriano | Sadie Kazanjian |
| Grace McCarry | Chiwa Vokhiwa |

Instrumentalists

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Trevor Hill, Clarinet | Thanthwe Vokhiwa, Clarinet |
| Ben Kazanjian, Violin | Rob Schaub, Trombone |
| Christopher Thacker, Piano | |

Thank you to all our children and youth who participated in Youth Sunday! Your willingness to share your time, talents, and hearts helped make the service meaningful and special.

Whether you had a speaking part, sang, greeted, helped behind the scenes, or participated in any other way, please know that every contribution mattered.

We are so grateful for each of you!

UPCOMING EVENTS. *This Week @ ASPC*

Today, Sunday, May 17, 2026

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

Monday, May 18, 2026

10:00 AM Knitting Group

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

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

Thursday, May 21, 2026

6:00 PM AA

Saturday, May 23, 2026

10:00 AM ACA

Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday
9:00 – 3:30
Friday - Closed

Worship Notes



The chancel flowers this morning are given by Ginni Condo to the glory of God and in honor of Anita Hudson on her 100th birthday, which she commemorated on May 13th. Happy birthday, Anita!

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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
- Helen Walter (friend of Joe Falcon)
- Dennis White (friend of Joe Falcon)
- Joe Falcon
- Penny & the Doran Family (friends with Julia Altenburger)
- John Hirt
- Dot Gauntlett

Announcements



RAH – Delco Gives Update

Thank you all so much for your generous participation. We received \$460 from off-line giving and \$3,603.90 from on-line giving. We received a \$62.50 prize from the foundation for participating in the closing festivities! And we had a total of 104 unique donors! We should know the

final donation amount per unique donor from DelCo Gives by the end of next week.



Gemma Backpack Update!

Thank you to everyone who helped assemble the Backpacks for Gemma Services last Sunday! There will be a poster available to donate towards the cost of the supplies. Each year supplies are purchased in the summer at the sales and then used for the following Spring. The supply for this 2026 backpack donation came to \$271.28. Feel free to donate any amount towards this project. The breakdown is on the poster or just donate. Thank you.

A volunteer is needed to drop off backpacks at Gemma Services in Plymouth Meeting near the mall. Delivery can be any time in May or June. You can call for an appointment. Thank you. Volunteer to Sue Bechtold 484-832-8984



Bible 101 has ended. We will start a “Sermon Preview” Bible study in June! We will announce the starting date soon. It will meet at 10 AM in the conference room at NSPC and on Zoom (watch your email for the link!)



Wawa Pick Up Helpers needed for 5 months

Wawa needs a substitute pick up person the following dates:

Sun June 28th

Sun July 26th

Sun Aug. 23rd

Sun. Sept. 27th

Pick up can be done between 11AM and 4PM. It is usually a quick turnaround. Insulated bags are at the church, and the food will go in the kitchen freezer. Please volunteer for any or all the dates to Sue Bechtold 484-832-8984. Thank you.



Please Sign the Friendship Pads!

Each Sunday, there are black pads in the pew racks. It would be nice if they were passed down the row weekly. Perhaps you are the end person in the row and see the pad. Please remember to pass it along to your row. We appreciate your help!



American Red Cross

Every pint donated makes a difference! Our next drive is July 23rd! We are teaming up with Rep. Lisa Borowski's office for a full-day drive! Registration is open:

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



Our annual **Church Picnic** will be held on **Sunday, June 14th**! Watch for more details and a sign-up coming soon. The Christian Education Committee is planning something special for the children this year!!

Youth Announcements



Youth Group Schedule

- 5/17 Youth Sunday / Senior Recognition (10 AM)
- 5/24 Youth in Church
- 5/31 Breakfast Club (AM)

The Grand Slam outing is being moved to the summer! Watch for our new date and time! Since May is such a busy time for our youth, Miss Kristi has created a **“Hang Out” calendar**. Groups of Youth or individual youth can reach out to grab a bite with Kristi (Jesus is paying). Just let me know where you would like to go. Some options are Dunkin, Panera, Italian Delight, or Starbucks. ***This is a great way to connect during the busy end of the school year. Just pick a time and let me know where you would like to meet.***

*Use the QR Code or
Click Here to Schedule Your Hang Out*



Calling all volunteers!

We are looking for volunteers to teach summer Sunday school. It is a one-room classroom. All books, lesson plans, and supplies will be provided to you for the Sunday you sign up to teach. This is a great way to connect with the young people of our church!

Thank you in advance for taking part

in this wonderful ministry of the church. Please reach out to Kristi with any questions. Sign Up Here!





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!

Participant QR Code:



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!

Volunteer QR Code



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Plus...all the members of NSPC

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