



Newtown Square Presbyterian Church www.newtownsquarepres.org August 31, 2025

THE LORD'S DAY

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

 August 31, 2025
 10:00 AM

 PRELUDE:
 Service Prelude in F
 Thayer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

May the peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 81):

O Lord God of hosts, hear our prayer; Give us your ear, O God of Jacob! A day in your presence, O God, is better than a thousand elsewhere.

The Lord our God is a sun and shield, bestowing grace and honor.

No good thing does the Lord withhold from those who walk with righteousness.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE: 390.....LOUEZ LE SEIGNEUR "Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Merciful God, we seek forgiveness.

We exalt ourselves

and allow mockery of the humble.

We rely on our self-sufficiency,
rather than trusting in your compassion.

We judge others,

forgetting the grace and kindness you offer us.

Open us to your spirit, that we may serve all people devoting ourselves solely to your honor. In the name of Jesus, we pray.

(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: OT Page 698
This is the Word of our Lord. Thanks be to God.
CHILDREN'S MESSAGERev. Bill Searight (All children and youth remain in worship.)
ANTHEM:
SCRIPTURE READING: NT Page 139Acts 19:1-7
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: 292.......WAIRUA TAPU
"As the Wind Song"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

in up your nearts.

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.



OFFERTORY:Quia Fecit Mihi Magna......Bach
(from Magnificat)
Raúl Morales Velazco, Bass Solo

Sung in Latin; Translation Below

For He who is mighty has done great [things] for me, and holy [is] his name.

*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: 548......DICKINSON COLLEGE "May God Support You All Your Days"

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE: Sunshine and Joy Medley......Hayes

*Congregation standing in body or spirit, as able



NSPC Weekly

August 31, 2025

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.



The chancel flowers this morning are given by Nancy Gingras in honor of her grandchildren: Michael, Rylie, Eryn, Casey, Cole, and Carly.

Worship Leader: Jerry Schauer

<u>Ushers:</u> Grant Snyder, Capt; Irene Bernabeo, Jessica Servano

Hymn Leader: Brynn Terry

Fellowship Host:

To Give to NSPC:



Office Hours:

Monday Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 – 3:30

Friday Closed

THIS WEEK

Today

10:00 AM Worship Service10:15 AM Sunday School11:00 AM Fellowship Hour

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

8:00 AM Men's Christian Fellowship

Thursday, September 4, 2025 6:00 PM AA

Saturday, September 6, 2025 10:00 AM ACA

Rally Day is Sunday, September 7th. Join us as we commission our Sunday school teachers and have our first annual Blessing of the Backpacks! More details are on page 9 of the bulletin. Fill out the insert, use the signup genius (in the weekly email), or scan this QR code to let us know you are coming!



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
- Tracy Binder (Pat Deluca's cousin)
- Rabiya Bower (Sara DiGirolamo's friend)
- The Keiss & Andress Families
- Helen Walter (Joe & Laurie Falcon's friend)
- Randy Keaton & family (Lauren Snyder's father)
- CB (Coworker of Sara Cuccia)

Announcements

Wednesday Worning Seplember 10th 10 am - 12 pm



Spend a Quiet Morning

Led by Jacki Tase, Spiritual Director Call the church office (610-356-8063), or email nspc3600@gmail.com to RSVP



NSPC Rise Against Hunger Flea Market...
Mark Your Calendars There will be a Flea
Market on September 20th at NSPC parking lot.
It is to raise money for Rise Against Hunger. It
is in the planning stages. The proposed cost per
two 8 feet parking spaces is \$40... OR... get a
FREE 16-foot space for those who donate all

sales to our Rise Against Hunger fund. If you don't think you have enough items for a space, you could share with another family. This summer, look about your house for those dusty treasures that you are ready to part with and help us make this a profitable event. A rain date is September 27th. Share with any local crafters or vendors that might want to come out and promote their business! Contact Margie Garwood for more information!



Save the date! The Men's Fellowship Group would like to invite you to share in a morning of fellowship with the brothers of our congregation on Saturday, September 13th from 9:00-11:00 AM. Save the date. Pastor Bill will give the message and breakfast will be included. Let us know you are coming - RSVP to

<u>office@newtownsquarepres.org</u> Questions? See or email Doug Tase dougtase@gmail.com



Blood Services Our next blood drive is scheduled for October 23rd

2:00 PM—7:00 PM. Let's make this our biggest drive to date! Give the gift of life. Sign up now!





The Men are having a Breakfast on Saturday, September 13th. Would you be able to provide help with Breakfast Food for that day? The food can be dropped off at 8:30 AM cooked and ready to serve

all perishable foods or nonperishable donations can be dropped during the week when the office is open. Still Needed: 2 breakfast casseroles, 2 containers of fresh cut fruit, half & half, muffins, lemonade, and soft spread butter. Please contact Sue Bechtold if you can volunteer!

Help is needed for Hosting Fellowship Hour

The Deacons meet every second Sunday of the month. It would be a tremendous help if we had hosts from the congregation on those Sundays. We are looking at dates: October 12th, November 9th and December 14th of this year. Please contact Heather if you can host. Ask friends if they would like to "co-host", if you are unsure that you can provide for by yourself. There are instructions in the kitchen, attached to the metal shelves. I can answer any questions you may have. Thanks for your help. Margie Garwood

Youth Announcements

Youth Group Schedule

- 8/31 Youth in Worship
- 9/7 Youth in Worship / Rally Day
- 9/14 Breakfast Club





Welcome Back Campfire & S'Mores. The Youth Group's first event of the year is on Sunday, September 14th at 5:30 PM. Join us for some S'mores and fellowship! Bring a chair or blanket and a water bottle.



We are currently collecting **gently used children's books**—both **religious** and **non-religious**—to help grow our library for the **Youth and Family Ministries**. These books will be used to encourage

reading, spiritual growth, and quality family time within our congregation. We're also looking for any **old VeggieTales DVDs** you may no longer need! These beloved stories continue to inspire and teach valuable lessons, and we'd love to share them with the next generation. If you have items to donate, please drop them off at the youth and family ministries office. Every donation makes a difference and helps us build a nurturing environment for our young ones and families. Thank you for your generosity and support!



Join Us for Rally Day!

Kick off the new Sunday school year with us on **Rally Day** — a joyful celebration for all ages!

During worship, we'll **commission our Sunday school teachers** during the Children's Message and hold our very first "**Blessing of the Backpacks**" — students of all ages are encouraged to bring their backpacks!

After Sunday school and worship, everyone is invited to a **luncheon in the Gathering Room** as we reconnect and look forward to another spirit-filled year together. Please RSVP for the luncheon using the bulletin insert, the signup genius link in the weekly email, or with this OR code:



We can't wait to welcome you back!

Donation Request for the Youth: Flea Market – September 20th The youth will be running a **refreshment table** to help fundraise for future events during the Flea Market. We are asking for donations of:

- Bottled water cases
- Pre-packaged chips and treats
- Individually wrapped baked goods (please label clearly for allergy considerations)

Deadline for donations (except baked goods): September 17th Baked goods may be dropped off the morning of the Flea Market. 9:00 am

Trunk or Treat Volunteers! It's almost time for Trunk or Treat at NSPC – Saturday, October 26th from 4:00 – 6:00 PM and we need your help to make it a fun, safe, and welcoming event for our community! We're looking for volunteers to:



- Plan & organize activities and decorations
- Host a trunk (decorate your car and hand out treats)
- Help with set-up/clean-up
- Assist with refreshments and games

Whether you love to plan, decorate, serve, or simply lend a hand, there's a place for you! If you'd like to be part of this fun outreach, please contact Ms. Kristi @ kristi@newtownsquarepres.org or text 610-945-7089. The first planning meeting will be Sunday, September 14th at 7:00pm via zoom. I hope you can join me!



In Ministry Together at Newtown Square Presbyterian Church:

Pastor	The Rev. Bill Searight
Parish Associate	
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	
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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