



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:	Rebecca DiPersia
Ushers:	Joe Marchesani, Capt; Joe Kasuska, Glenn Bechtold
Acolyte:	Thanthwe Vokhiwa
Acolyte Guide:	Debbie Weiss
Fellowship Host:	Sara Cuccia

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
Reign of Christ

November 22, 2026 **10:00 AM**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

MOMENT FOR MISSION & LUNCHEON **Sue Bechtold**

PRELUDE
Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire ..... Hymn tune by G. Careless / Arr. by H. Schultz

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**
Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Worship the Lord with gladness.
Enter into God's presence with singing.
Praise the Lord!

Know that the Lord is God.
It is God that made us, and we belong to God.
We are God's people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to the Lord; bless God's holy name.

For the Lord is good,
with steadfast love that endures forever,
and faithfulness for all generations.
Praise the Lord!

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

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

***HYMN OF PRAISE 268**.....DIADEMATA
"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Lord Jesus, Judge of the nations:
We confess that we have not seen your face
among our neighbors in need.
We have not shared our food with the hungry;
we have not offered clothes to the destitute
or shelter to the homeless.
We have not welcomed the stranger,
nor have we visited prisoners.
We have not paid attention to these,
your sisters and brothers,
and in our neglect we have failed to serve you.
Lord, forgive us;
open our eyes to recognize your beloved family,
and give us the blessing of sincere repentance
that we may know the joy of eternal life
with you and all the saints
in this world and in the world to come.

(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!

***RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE 581** **Gloria Patri**
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.

ANTHEM

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart..... By Henry Smith / Don Moen

Junior Choir

(Children and youth are dismissed to complete a mission project in the downstairs kitchen.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

NT Page 192 ..... Ephesians 1:15-23

This is the Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING

NT Page 29 ..... Matthew 25:31-46

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 733**....ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN
"We All Are One in Mission"

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.

OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

Sing Forth His Glorious Name .....By M. McDonald
Soloists

***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 295** ..... SINE NOMINE
"Go to the World"

***BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE**

He Is King of Kings ..... Tune: Traditional African American Spiritual / Arr. by D. Douglas

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

LOST: *Prescription glasses were lost at the church. If you found them, please turn them in to the church office.*

UPCOMING EVENTS. This Week @ NSPC

Today, Sunday, November 22, 2026

9:30 AM	Junior Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM	Worship Service
10:15 AM	Sunday School & Youth Group
11:00 AM	Fellowship Hour
11:15 AM	Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
5:00 PM	Friendsgiving & Caring for Friends

Monday, November 23, 2026

10:00 AM	Knitting
6:00 PM	ACA

Tuesday, November 24, 2026

8:00 AM	Men's Christian Fellowship
1:00 PM	Last Tuesday Book Club
6:00 PM	AA

Thursday, November 26, 2026

Thanksgiving – Office Closed

6:00 PM	AA

Saturday, November 28, 2026

10:00 AM	ACA

Office Hours:

Monday - Tuesday
9:00 – 3:30

Wednesday - Friday
Office is Closed for
Thanksgiving Holiday

Worship Notes



The chancel flowers this morning are given by Marge DeYoung in memory of her son, Richard.

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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:

- Dennis White (friend of Joe Falcon)
- Joe Falcon
- Penny & the Doran Family (friends with Julia Altenburger)
- Peter Bowen (son of Jean Bowen)
- Paula (Margie Garwood's niece)
- Hank Mumma (friend of Bob Bechtold)
- Gina
- Janene
- Nancy Self (Nick Cuccia's birth mother)
- Mitzi Mikelson (Mother of Mary Loomis)
- Bayard Anderson
- Mike Savage (friend of Jack Ryder)
- Baby Carson Eherts (friend of Denise & Rich Digby)
- Sissy (Michal Digby's sister-in-law)
- Maeve (daughter of Sara Cuccia's friend)
- Kevin Hirt (Dianne's son)
- Jennifer (Daughter of Margot Jones)

Announcements



No Bible Study This Week
We will start a new study in December!



Check out our NSPC Mom's Group! We are getting together after a long time. Come see old friends, welcome new members, and talk about what we want our group to look like now. Join us on Friday, December 11th at 7 PM in the Gathering Room. It will be very relaxed! Everyone is welcome to bring a snack to share. If you have questions, reach out to Meghan Kazanjian or Beth McCarry.

Chester Eastside Information
NSPC is now officially going to continue donation support to Chester Eastside. We thankfully have enough drivers to take a load of donations on a weekly basis. The donation bin is by the door as you enter the Gathering Space. Please continue to drop your donations in a shopping bag. Please consider the driver having to transport to their car and then to the CE location. Loose or stuffed bags with no handle make it more difficult to carry. There is a container of bags next to the Mission Table and if you need one feel free to take one. Thank you to our volunteers: Allen Corle, Joe Marchessani, Jack Chidester, Marg MacDonald, Carole Connolly, Jane Fioravanti, Nancy Holt Timothy, Bob and Sue Becht0ld, Jack Miller, Cheryl Koch, Carol Guest & Heather Impriano



Community Concert Help

Jin Hyun is arranging another wonderful Community Concert to be held on Sunday, December 13, at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary. A reception following the concert will give us the chance to meet the artists and enjoy fellowship with each other. Help is needed to have a successful reception. Please let Ginni Condo know if you can help set up the hospitality table, bring cookies or other finger foods, or clean up. It's a busy season but, as we know, "Many hands make light work," so please volunteer in any way you can. Thank you!



Fellowship Hour Christmas Tea

The Women of the church always host Fellowship Hour for Christmas. This year's hosting will be on December 6th. All women of the church are invited to help by providing Christmas finger food, cookies or fancy sandwiches. Help is needed to set up, serve and clean up. Please volunteer to Ginny Berman or following church see Sue Bechtold in the Fellowship Hour. It is a delicious event for all attending church that day.



NSPC Mission Programs are listed in the Annual Report every January. Sue Bechtold is requesting a reminder of Missions at NSPC for 2026 just to make sure no one is missed. suebechtold1@gmail.com or 484-832-8984

American Red Cross

Our next drive is Thursday, January 28th! Your donation helps to save a life. Thank you for making a difference! Registration is open: https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Newtown%20Township

It is time for a new directory! Please continue to send in your updates. If you no longer have a landline, please let us know that as well! We would love to have updated pictures for the directory. Stop by the office and I will be happy to take a picture for you! If you are new to the church, please let us know you would like to be included in the Church Directory. Thank you!



"Sock It to Me" Sock Drive

Thank you, thank you for making Sock It to Me a … Home Run!! We went over and above the numbers that were ever expected. You are the most generous people. Socks have started to be delivered to Chester Eastside and some of the food banks that receive donations from us on Mondays. NSPC has been approached by another organization, and we are looking into it. If you are interested, please continue to donate socks. It's hard to imagine that a pair of socks can change a person's daily life. Thank you for your help. The box will stay in place, and we hope your donations of new or gently used socks will continue.

Ladies Christmas Luncheon – LAST DAY TO RSVP

There is a flyer in the bulletin to sign up for the Christmas Luncheon on Dec. 2nd. Please join and feel free to bring a friend.

Youth Announcements

Youth Group Schedule

- 11/22 Mission Project: Meal Prep for Caring for Friends / Friendsgiving YG (5 PM)
- 11/29 Topic: A Child Called Immanuel



Thank you to the Kids' Junior Choir for singing during worship this morning.!

Christmas Pageant



Our annual Christmas Pageant will be on Sunday, December 20th during worship. **Our second rehearsal is today at 11:15. Please finish all snacks and drinks before joining us in the sanctuary!** The pageant is open to all children to participate in. Please check your weekly Sunday school emails or the November newsletter for the rehearsal schedule. Please let Ms. Kristi know if you plan to participate. Thank you for being a part of this annual tradition!



The Youth Group **Friendsgiving Get Together** is TODAY from 5-8. We will celebrate being thankful and work on a mission project for Caring for Friends.



Cocoa, Cookies, & Carols

After the Christmas Pageant, please join us for an all-congregation holiday get-together. We will meet in the Gathering Room following the Christmas Pageant. There will be Christmas carols/music, drinks including cocoa, and cookies during Fellowship Hour! Please sign up to bring some cookies to share:



Church Officers:

SESSION/BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Moderator: The Rev. Bill Searight

Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
Ed Arraya	Sue Bechtold	Lynne Corle
Buff Biddle	Sara DiGirolamo	Joe Falcon
Jane Fioravanti	Jennifer Gries	Vacant
Joe Marchesani	Doug Tase	Laurie Lynch

BOARD OF DEACONS

Moderator: Margie Garwood

Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
Ginni Condo	Bob Arnold	Jack Chidester
Kathy Donovan	Nicolle Arraya	Pat Deluca
Margie Garwood	Paul Florence	Rich Digby
Marg MacDonald	Andy Tucker	Karen Shea



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 Manager .....Heather Impriano
PreK-1st Sunday School Teacher .....Beth McCarry
2nd-4th grade Sunday School Teacher .....Camryn Villano
Nursery Attendants..... Sadie Kazanjian & Grace McCarry
Co-Director, NSPC Preschool .....Jane Fioravanti
Co-Director, NSPC Preschool .....Meghan Kazanjian
Clerk of Session.....Sara DiGirolamo
President, Board of Trustees.....Vacant
Moderator of Deacons .....Margie Garwood
Co-Treasurer.....Rich Digby
Co-Treasurer.....Carole Connolly
Head Usher .....Grant Snyder
Communion Coordinator.....Carol Guest
Presbyterian Women..... Ginny Berman

Plus...all the members of NSPC

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