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JUNE 2026

From Your Pastor

Dear Friends,

I was a second-year student taking Summer Greek School at Columbia Theological Seminary when the pastor of a small Presbyterian Church called late on Thursday evening. He needed pulpit supply and he needed it quickly, so that he could leave town for a family emergency. I hurriedly wrote a sermon on the lectionary text for the week: Jacob's dream at Bethel. Thankfully, I had kind friends who offered their support, four who chose to go with me and cheer me on. When we arrived at the church, they joined the choir, tripling the choir's size for the day. The church members were thrilled.

Even more joyous: A family reunion brought eight young cousins to a church that was not theirs. They spread about the floor of the sanctuary listening to me deliver my first children's sermon. When I told them that the sermon for the day concerned Jacob, one of the boys lit up, and everyone else giggled. A young girl leaned over to me. "His name is Jacob," she whispered. I shook Jacob's hand. He smiled broadly. Excellent! I told myself. Everything is going so well.

Midway through my sermon, though, I noticed young Jacob watching me intently from the pews, and when he was sure he caught my attention, he started making faces. He wiggled his lips. He stuck out his tongue. He tried his best to distract me, quietly, to avoid his family's notice. He lived up to his name.

This summer, I invite you to follow along with Jacob the Patriarch. Jacob is both a trickster and a man of righteousness. He deceives brother and father, battles to outwit his uncle, and God gives him redemption and a glimpse of glory.

Because summer is a time of travel for many of us, I want to consider with you how Jacob's story is one of pilgrimage. He leaves his family to find a bride and to start his own family, but only on his return home does he begin to understand who God has called him to be.

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Sermons for the Month of June

5/31 —Trinity Sunday
Matthew 28:16-20

6/7 —2nd Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 12:1-9
Communion
SS Recognition
Church Picnic



6/14—3rd Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 25:19-28

6/21—4th Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 25:29-34
VBS Commissioning

6/28— 5th Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 27 1-41 (Selections)
VBS Recognitions

Worship Service
10:00 AM Join Us!

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My working title for the series is: "I Am with You Wherever You Go". When Jacob stood at Bethel, seeing a vision of busy angels, he heard the voice of God: "Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I promised you."

Wherever you go this summer, may God bless you and keep you. May God bring you back home again with joy.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Bill



Church Picnic
Sunday, June 7th

RSVP SO WE KNOW YOU ARE COMING!



Church Picnic
Sunday, June 7, 2026
11:00-1:00

On June 7, we will be honoring Buff Biddle and her years of service as our Clerk of Session and celebrating the end of our program year with an all-church picnic! There will be games and a special activity for the kids. Thanks to our Fellowship Commission, we will be offering smoked brisket, Mexican street corn casserole, and hot dogs with all of the fixings. We need YOU to provide a side dish (if possible), along with your RSVP.

Please complete the [sign-up genius](#) or fill out the insert in the Sunday bulletin and return to the church office as soon as possible to plan for this popular event!

ALL ARE WELCOME!!

A Service of Home Communion



All Elders/Deacons present and past are invited to celebrate Communion with our home-bound members. We have missed seeing them in our pews, enjoying the scriptures/sermons/music and fellowship that Newtown Square Presbyterian Church is so blessed and enriched with. We urge all of you to reach out to the current Session and Deacons to share in worship with those who have not been able to participate in person. This will be done in pairs; no one should go alone. There are detailed instructions and a script for communion that are kept in the Communion bags that are in the Sacristy closet. Renew your friendships with the passing of peace and Communion in their homes. A blessing that is received and guided by our Lord. To sign up or if you have questions, please contact Sara DiGirolamo, Margie Garwood, or Ed Arraya.

Music Ministry

Hello NSPC Families,

First of all, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all NSPC families for your support, encouragement, and love for our music ministry. I cannot believe it has already been three months serving as Music Director at NSPC, and they have been such wonderful months.

We had a beautiful Youth Sunday last week. I couldn't stop smiling while working with the Kids' Choir alongside our talented youth leaders. I am certain that our Lord received glory through their joyful voices and leadership!

As we begin preparing for the choir's summer break, I would also like to thank the many soloists who have shared their gifts with us. Special thanks to our regular soloists — Emilio, Jeysla, Maisy, and our own Jerry — as well as guest soloists Hongrui, Jieon, Hoejin, Minsoo, and Yongwoo. It has truly been a blessing to have them serve with us over these past few months.

Looking ahead to June, we will have our final Choir Music Sunday before summer break on 6/7, featuring our own Cheryl playing the offertory on violin.

During the summer season, I hope to continue offering special music featuring our talented church members and guest artists with their voices and instruments, so stay tuned!

Thank you again for your continued support and love for the music ministry.

Blessings,

Jin Hyun

~Your Music Director



GIVE BLOOD, SAVE LIVES!

***Our next blood drive is scheduled for July 23rd
9:00 AM—7:00 PM. We are teaming up with Rep. Lisa
Borowski's office for a full-day blood drive.
Sign up now.***



Registration is open: [Sign Up Here](#)

News for: Youth and Family Ministries at NSPC

Youth Corner at NSPC

Spring has been a joyful and busy season for our Children, Youth, and Family Ministries!

The Youth Group enjoyed a wonderful outing to Topgolf, where we had a great turnout and an even better time together. The youth quickly discovered that Ms. Kristi may not be the best golfer but that certainly does not stop her from trying! The evening was filled with laughter, fellowship, friendly competition, and meaningful connection.

We also gathered for Breakfast Club, where the youth worked together to prepare eggs, potatoes, and waffles. It was a wonderful opportunity to reconnect, share time together, and begin discussing their prep for Youth Sunday.

For our younger children, Little Lights met on April 19th with a nice turnout. The children created adorable caterpillar crafts while learning about spring and how Jesus brings new life. Due to preparations for Youth Sunday, Little Lights did not meet during May and will now pause for the summer before returning in the fall.

Our biggest celebration this past month was Youth Sunday on May 17th. During the service, we recognized seven graduating seniors from both high school and college. We are incredibly proud of each of them and pray God's blessings over this exciting next chapter in their lives. Youth Sunday was truly a special day for our church family. Twenty-three youth from our nursery-aged children through our Youth Group members helped lead the entire service. They shared their musical talents, served in leadership roles, greeted the congregation, read scripture, and participated throughout worship. Their confidence, energy, and faith were inspiring, and the congregation greatly enjoyed celebrating the gifts of our young people.

Looking ahead to June, we have so much to be excited about! Check out the following pages for information on VBS, Summer Sunday school, and Hang-Outs with Ms. Kristi throughout the summer.

With gratitude,
Kristi
Director of Family and Youth Ministries



Here is our current Sunday Youth Group Schedule:

- 5/31 Breakfast Club
- 6/7 End of Year Picnic



Calling All VBS Fans!

We are busy preparing for NSPC VBS 2026 Rainforest Falls!! Our staff is so excited to bring the word of God and loads of fun to your children this summer. We will be taking a trip on an rainforest adventure to explore what it means to be rooted in a relationship with God, their Creator. Please join us from June 22nd to the 25th from 9:00 am to noon. Registration cost for the week is \$50 and includes a snack each day and a t-shirt.

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 volunteers' 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 respond to this email to let me know! ***Volunteers get t-shirts too so fill out the volunteer link so we know your shirt size! We need sizes by June 3rd so that we can order shirts!*** We are also looking for decorators to help transform our space! We hope to see you here.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kristi Schaub at youth@newtownsquarepres.org . We have limited space, so please sign up early.

[Registration Link](#)

[Volunteer Link](#)

Cradles to Crayons

Cradles to Crayons

We are happy to announce that we are supporting **Cradles to Crayons** again this year as our VBS mission! Donations can be dropped off during VBS week.

What does Cradles to Crayons accept for donations?

- **New or gently used** clothing (infant to youth sizes 18/20 and adult sizes small & medium)
- **New** socks and underwear
- **New or gently used** winter coats, hats, gloves/mittens
- **New or gently used** shoes, boots, and sneakers (toddler sizes 4–13 and adult sizes 1–10)
- **New or gently used** books (ages 0-12)
- **New** arts, crafts, and school supplies
- **New** hygiene items
- **Unopened** diapers, pull-ups, and diaper wipes

Please note that gently used/new toys are not on this list and not accepted currently!



VBS Donations

VBS Donation List 2026

We are getting excited for Vacation Bible School and are looking for donations to help make the week fun, creative, and successful for all our children! If you would like to contribute, please check out the list below or our Amazon wish list for more specific details. If you purchase an item below not through Amazon, please let Kristi know so she can remove it from the list. Thank you for supporting our VBS ministry!

Snack Donations

- Gallons of water X 16
- Goldfish crackers individual bags (30 count) X 4
- Pretzels individual bags (36 count) X 5
- Animal crackers (30 count) X 3
- Pirate's Booty (24 count) X 4
- Napkins
- Hand sanitizer

Art & Craft Supplies

- Construction paper - tan, pink, red, green, white, black
- Cardstock- brown
- Washable markers
- Washable paint
- Foam paint brushes
- Gallon of glue
- Googly eyes
- Tissue paper – green
- Q-tips
- Paper plates- big and little
- Paper bags
- Sidewalk chalk
- Clothes pins
- Paper bowls

Amazon Wish List QR Code:



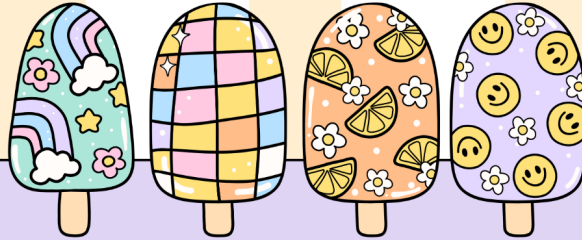
General Supplies

- Disinfecting wipes
- Tissues
- Zip-top bags (sandwich and gallon size)
- Paper Towels

We appreciate every donation and all the support from our church family. Donations can be dropped off at the church office or brought on Sunday mornings. There is a labeled bin in the gathering room. Thank you for helping make VBS a wonderful experience for our children!

Amazon Wish List URL: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2LSC8OK2E39C7?ref=wl_share

Hang out with Kristi



Since this time of year gets so busy, we won't be holding a large youth event this month but we'd still love to connect!

Come grab an iced drink or a quick treat with Kristi. Sign up for a time, pick a place, and bring a friend or two or come solo. It's a simple chance to relax, reconnect, and catch up before summer! Scan & sign up!



News from
**LIGHTHOUSE
LANDING**
Sunday School at NSPC

Summer Sunday School Teachers Needed

We are currently looking for volunteers to help teach Summer Sunday School. If you are interested in serving, please see the weekly bulletin for sign-up information.

Thank you for your continued support of our children, youth, and families. Your encouragement, prayers, and generosity help make these opportunities for fellowship, learning, and faith formation possible. [Sign Up Here!](#) Or use the QR code.



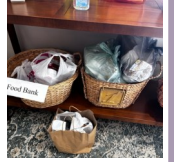


YOUTH SUNDAY 2026

Mission News



Food Donations: Friends, each Monday Nancy Holt Timothy delivers donations of food to Food Banks serving Delaware County. **Please help our local food banks.** Times are sometimes difficult for families. Please consider helping by donating non perishable items to the baskets on the Mission Table.



Wawa Food Donation



Thank you to all the volunteers who continue to pick up the Wawa food on weekends for delivery by Rev. Nancy Holt Timothy every Monday. This food is most appreciated. We also have a bagel pick-up weekly and that is also donated. If you can help pick-up Wawa or Bagels, please let us know. Thank you.

- **Wawa help needed** Sunday, July 26th; Sunday, August 23rd; Sunday, September 27th.
- **Bagel pick-up needed** any Sunday in June, July or August. Pick up is between 2 and 2:15 at Original Bagel on West Chester Pike in Broomall. The bagels are a real treat for the Food Pantry.

Please volunteer to Bob or Sue Bechtold 484-832-9094 or 610-745-0064.



Thank you to the *Youngsters* for using the funnel to put the tabs in the jug for **The Ronald McDonald House.**

Thank you to the *Oldsters* for saving the tabs. Oldsters and Youngsters, please save these tabs. Our donation to the Ronald McDonald House helps with Utility bills.



Mission help needed:

At some point there will be a need to organize the Gathering Room Kitchen. Most likely this will be after VBS. If you are willing to be on a list to call for that event, please let Sue know.

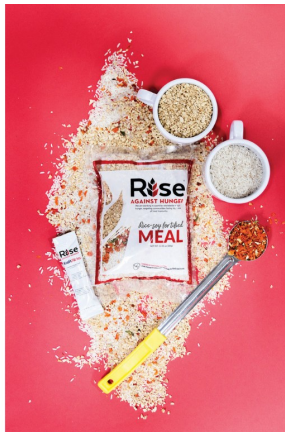
Donations of the following items are always needed. Please just drop off as to the location noted below. Thank you.



- Kitchen supplies: Saran wrap, Ziplock bags, foil, dishwashing liquid, hand soap, and plastic gloves for working in the kitchen and serving food. (Place in the kitchen.)
- White trash bags for Wawa collection (Place in the area by the choir robes with the insulated bags.)
- Small Plastic Shopping Bags: (Place in the kitchen next to the Freezer.)
- Leftover party supplies — plates, napkins, cups (leave on the table in the gathering room kitchen)

Delco Gives: Preparation for the Grand Finale Event

May was a busy month for the Delco Gives Fundraiser. Terri Mc Carthy, Lynne Corle, Heather Impriano and Sue Bechtold made aprons for the Grand Finale Event.



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 June.

Pictures from the DelCo Gives Finale at the soccer stadium:



BUILDING & GROUNDS

A Message from the Building & Grounds Committee . . .

You may remember that the church portico was hit by a truck some time ago resulting in damages that required an insurance claim. A contractor was utilized to perform the needed repairs.

Well . . . would you believe a truck has hit the portico again recently on two separate occasions? This is despite signs being posted indicating the maximum height clearance for vehicles passing underneath the structure. The most recent truck strikes have resulted in damages that were fixable by the Building & Grounds Committee using a ladder, hammer, some wood putty, and paint.

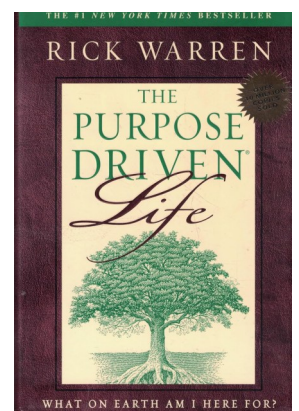
In an effort to find a solution to this ongoing problem, the Committee will be placing two white-colored hazard cones at both ends of the portico to stop all vehicles (especially trucks) from passing underneath during the week. The cones will be removed on Sundays prior to worship service so anyone can be dropped off by vehicle underneath the portico as normal. We wanted to make you aware of this as you will soon see the white hazard cones in place. Hopefully this will eliminate what could be a serious safety risk going forward.



Men's Christian Fellowship

The Men's Christian Fellowship Group has started on a new study! They have started Rick Warren's book "A Purpose Driven Life". The Tuesday morning Men's Christian Fellowship group will continue to meet weekly at 8 AM.

All men are welcome. We hope you can join us on Tuesday mornings!





***We have many open spots for flower sign-ups and fellowship hour hosts!
Please consider signing up: [Sign Me Up!](#)***

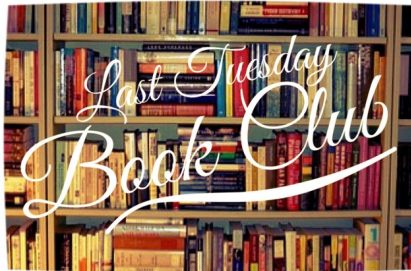


The flower arrangement will be delivered from the Media Florist and placed on the Chancel prior to worship. The cost for donating the flowers for one Sunday is \$25. Please make all checks out to NSPC and write "Chancel flowers" in the memo section. You are welcome to take the flowers home with you or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



We need Fellowship Hour hosts! It is so nice seeing so many of you visiting over coffee and refreshments after worship. Please consider signing up to host a fellowship hour. We especially need hosts for the second Sunday of each month. The deacons have their meetings and cannot host these Sundays.

Thank you!



The Last Tuesday Book Club

NSPC's Last Tuesday Book Club meets the last Tuesday of the month at 1:00 in the Conference Room.

Feel free to join us each month or try us out for just one meeting because the title intrigues you. New members are always welcome and feel free to bring a friend.

Our June selection will be Trevor Noah: Born a Crime by Trevor Noah. Jean Bowen will be leading the discussion.

For more information, contact Lynne Corle at (610-563-5355) or Lcorle217@gmail.com

Happy Reading!

June 30, 2026	Jean Bowen	<u>Trevor Noah: Born a Crime</u> Trevor Noah
July 28, 2026	Group Participation	Each member briefly shares a newer book that they have loved.
August	Happy Summer	Enjoy reading in the sunshine!
September 29, 2026	Lea Robinson	<u>The Correspondent: A Novel</u> Virginia Evans



June Women's Bible Study

Monday – June 2nd

Time – 1:00 PM

Lunch at Ginni Condo's

Apt. B107, 3500 West Chester Pike



Gemma Backpack Donation

For over 20-25 years NSPC has participated in a backpack collection for Gemma services. These backpacks are organized in late spring through early summer in preparation for a large donation event. We have supported Gemma for many years and they in turn support many children throughout the Philadelphia and suburban areas. Thank you so much to those who helped assemble.

A poster is in the gathering room with information about how we can help cover the cost of these supplies. All supplies are purchased in the summer when the prices are reduced due to back-to-school sales. This money needs to be replenished. Please feel free to donate towards Gemma backpacks. Checks can be made to NSPC-PW. Checks can be put in the offering or dropped in the office. Every little bit helps. Thank you very much.

~Sue Bechtold
Mission Chairperson



Ladies of NSPC...

Ladies Luncheon

Looking forward to some nice summer weather and outside activities. Along with relaxing--please put on your thinking caps and decide if you and a couple friends could organize a Women's event for the Fall. This could be lunch or early dinner. As planners, you can plan!!! Contact Sue Bechtold or Ginny Berman if you would like to plan our fall luncheon.

We do have our Christmas Luncheon already set. Hostesses will be Jean Bowen, Julie Davis, Betsy Bender and Delores Hart. Date TBD.

Just a quick reminder. All women connected in any way to NSPC are included and invited to any Women's Ministry events. You can also feel free to invite a guest not connected to NSPC.

June Birthdays

06/07 — Joyce Cudd

06/08 — Glenn Bechtold

06/08 — Aurora McMenamin

06/08 — Kai Schultz

06/09 — Elizabeth Bennett

06/09 — Stacey Kucera

06/10 — Jason Newby

06/10 — Jacalyn Tase

06/12 — Michael Andress

06/15 — Emilia Falcon

06/17 — Abbey Biddle

06/21 — Judi Trimble

06/21 — Grace McCarry

06/24 — William Hewes

06/26 — Eduardo Arraya

06/26 — Rich Digby

06/27 — Ethan Law

06/28 — Geoff Cudd

06/28 — Camryn Villano

06/29 — Kathy Donovan



*If we are missing your birthday, please let the church office know.
We would love to add you to our birthday list!*

Congratulations to Anita Hudson on Her 100th Birthday!

On May 5th, Kathy Donovan, Sue Bechtold, Pat Deluca and Pastor Bill visited Anita Hudson. They shared communion with her and celebrated her 100th birthday!



June 2026

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

	1 1 pm Women's Bible Study	2 8:00 am Men's Christian Fellowship 6 pm AA	3 10 am Sermon Preview Bible Study	4 6 pm AA	5	6 10 am ACA
7 10 am Worship/SS 10 am SS Recognition 11 am Church Picnic	8	9 8:00 am Men's Christian Fellowship 6 pm AA	10 10 am Sermon Preview Bible Study	11 6 pm AA	12	13 10 am ACA
14 10 am Worship/SS 11 am Fellowship 11:15 am Deacons	15	16 8:00 am Men's Christian Fellowship 6 pm AA	17 10 am Sermon Preview Bible Study 7 pm Session	18 6 pm AA	19	20 10 am ACA
21 10 am Worship/SS 10 am VBS Commissioning 11 am Fellowship	22 9 am VBS	23 8:00 am Men's Christian Fellowship 9 am VBS 6 pm AA	24 9 am VBS	25 9 am VBS 6 pm AA	26	27 10 am ACA
28 10 am Worship/SS 10 am VBS Celebration 11 am Fellowship	29	30 8:00 am Men's Christian Fellowship 1 pm Last Tuesday Book Club 6 pm AA				

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
Sunday School Teachers Beth McCarry & Debbie Villano
Nursery Attendant..... Grace McCarry & Sadie Kazanjian
Co-Directors, Newtown Square Presbyterian Church Preschool Jane Fioravanti & Meghan Kazanjian
Clerk of Session Sara DiGirolamo
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Head Usher Grant Snyder
Communion Coordinator Carol Guest
Presbyterian Women Ginny Berman

Plus... all the members of NSPC

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Class of 2026

Ed Arraya
Buff Biddle
Jane Fioravanti
Joe Marchesani

Class of 2027

Sue Bechtold
Sara DiGirolamo
Jennifer Gries
Doug Tase

Class of 2028

Lynne Corle
Joe Falcon
Rob Gray
Laurie Lynch

BOARD OF DEACONS

Moderator: Margie Garwood

Class of 2026

Ginni Condo
Kathy Donovan
Margie Garwood
Marg MacDonald

Class of 2027

Bob Arnold
Nicolle Arraya
Paul Florence
Andy Tucker

Class of 2028

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