



The Vine

North Warren Presbyterian Church

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November 2018

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Gospel



Pastor's
Corner

“On your feet now—applaud God! Bring a gift of laughter, sing yourselves into God’s presence.

Know this: God is God, and God, God. God made us; we didn’t make God! We’re God’s people, God’s well-tended sheep.

Enter with the password: “Thank you!” Make yourselves at home, talking praise. Thank God. Worship God.

For God is sheer beauty, all-generous in love, loyal always and ever.”

Psalm 100 (The Message)

As we move into the month of November, we need to be in a spirit of thanksgiving when it comes to our relationship with the creator of the universe. I chose a rather “unique” translation above by Eugene Peterson of this very familiar psalm to help jog us out of complacency when it comes to how we think of what God has done in our lives and how we need to express our thanks and worship to God.

It is God's good will that all of God’s people extend to the Lord thanksgiving and praise! God delights in God’s children “enjoying” God’s divine presence. Surely we are not to regard our conversation with our Lord as simply a necessity, like spiritual bread and water; but rather as a luxurious delicacy, bringing delight to even the most discriminating palate. To this end, God has been revealed in Christ as the “pearl of great price” in its matchless beauty, as the “bundle of myrrh” in its refreshing fragrance, as the “rose of Sharon” in its lasting perfume, and as the “lily of the valley” in its spotless purity.

We would do well to remember how important it is to thank God for the greatest gift that this world has ever known; and attempt to see Jesus with the same adoring eyes as that of The Father! Consider for a moment what the angels think of Christ, as they count it their highest honor to cover their faces at his feet. And what about all those saints who have gone before us into the church triumphant, who day and night sing the Lord’s well deserved praise, how much more should we express to God our devotion? Let me tell you something folks, the more highly we express our thanksgiving and praise to God, the more consistent we will be in our relationship with our Sovereign Lord. The greater the regard we give to the Almighty, the more sincere we will be in our services to God.

So, as we pray our prayers of thanksgiving this month, let us remember to thank God for the biggest blessing we have ever received! Our Lord Jesus is worthy of our praise, and when we acknowledge his glory, we give back to God the love God so richly deserves.

In the Name of Christ,

Buddy 😊

Halloween in the Park

Wednesday,
October 31
from 6 - 8 pm

Come and join your friends
& neighbors for a great time
of fun for all ages!

Birthdays

Nov 01 Joann Stevenson
06 Karen Ashbaugh
06 Ayden Stiteler
06 Kelley Wood
07 Edna MacLees
07 Mary Mahan
08 Jim Morrison
09 John Dyke
11 Missy Turner
17 Anna Parkinson
17 Melissa Port
17 Julie Ransom
18 Natalie Smith
18 Linda Swanson
19 Bryan Olsen
20 Abigail Chapel
20 Judy Rimer
21 Brian Ferry
25 Michelle Gray
25 Sarah Wilson
26 Sandra Lee
26 Robert Swartz
29 Judy Grosch-Rudolph

Anniversaries

Nov 03 Ian & Soojye Gustafson
26 Richard & Barbara Cook

Lay Leaders

Nov 04 Ruth Morrison
11 Gary Brumagin
18 Anne Ward
25 Ruth Morrison

Greeters

Nov 04 Jim Reese
11 Celia Gross
18 Karen Ashbaugh
25 Judy McElhatten

Sound Booth

Nov 04 Stephen Ashbaugh
11 Joshua Ward
18 Hayden Turner
25 Gary Brumagin

Nursery - Adults

Nov 04 Nancy Bullock
11 Missy Turner
18
25 Nancy Bullock

Nursery - Youth

Nov 04 Hayden Turner
11 Natasha Ferry
18
25 Natasha Ferry

Sanctuary Flowers

Nov 04 Jean Swartz
11 Maureen Gonano
18 Thanksgiving Table
25 Advent Decorations

Ushers

Mark Ash
Sheryl Ash
Bill Gross
Celia Gross

Hospital Visitor

Sally Clark

After Church Coffee

Nov 04 Nancy Bullock
18 Bill & Celia Gross

Christ the King Sunday Communion, will be observed

December 2

Teresa Blumquist
Martha Brackemyre
Gloria Lindell
Christina McClellan
Nancy Bullock
Gary Olson
Jim Reese



Turn Your Clocks Back

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 4 at 2:00 AM. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday evening. Otherwise, you may end up getting to church an hour early the next day.

Besides changing your clocks, this is a good time to remember to change batteries in your smoke detectors. If your detector has stopped beeping because the battery is completely dead, it won't help you at all in case of a fire, so you really need to replace that old dead battery. If you have one of those new 10-year sealed battery units, do you know how long it has been on the ceiling? It might be a good idea to check on it.



Parking Reminder

With winter weather fast approaching, we urge you to take advantage of the parking lot and leave the on street parking on Church Street for those with mobility issues who need to park closer to the church on Sunday morning.

Although a seemingly small gesture, it is a meaningful one for those who need that extra bit of help, especially once the bad weather arrives in earnest.

Congregational Meeting

A congregational meeting will be held on December 2 immediately following the worship service for the purpose of electing persons to the Auditing, Community House, Day Care, Memorial, and Personnel/Finance Committees. The 2019 budget will be presented to the congregation along with a vote to approve the 2019 Pastoral Terms of Call, as well as any other business as is appropriate according to the Book of Order.

Winter Address

If you are going south for the winter, please notify the church office of your temporary address. We will be able to get your newsletter and any other correspondence to you without delay.



Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study started up again on October 11 with a 12 session series on "Meeting God" by J. I. Packer. Packer was one of the inspirations for Chip Ingram's study on "The Real God." Come and join the men of the church at 7:15 PM to travel together from the church or go straight to

Perkins in Warren and meet at 7:30 PM as we continue our study of who God really is! Studies are based on the following:



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| 1 Who is God? | Acts 17 |
| 2 God's Glory | Exodus 33 |
| 3 The Father and the Son | John 13 |
| 4 The Spirit and the Son | John 15 |
| 5 God Beyond Compare | Isaiah 40 |
| 6 God is Love | 1 John |
| 7 Holy, Holy, Holy | Isaiah 6 |
| 9 God's Wonderful Goodness | Psalms 107 |
| 10 The Lord is King | Daniel 4 |
| 11 God's Sever Mercy | Hebrews 12 |
| 12 God's Triumph | Romans 8 |

Ladies Prayer Luncheon



The Ladies Prayer Luncheon Group meets each month on the second Thursday of each month. They will meet next on November 8 at 12:30 PM. All women of the church are invited.

Pastor Appreciation Soup & Pie Luncheon

Please join us on Sunday, November 11 immediately following the Worship Service and show Pastor Buddy how much we



appreciate him and enjoy some of the most delicious soup and pie you will come across. Homemade

soup and pie will be served and as stated, it is just about as good as it gets. It certainly can't be beat and even better, there is some good company to go along with it.

It is a bit later than usual this year, but this will allow us to use the opportunity to "Be Thankful for our Pastor" and not "just" appreciate him.

Put this date on your calendar now so you won't miss this always enjoyable celebration. See Martha Brackemyre if you would like to help in some way. Soups, pies, and of course, help are always needed.

Halloween Candy Needed

We need donations of wrapped candy for the Halloween Community Event, sponsored by our church, and held at the Dave Clark Pavilion. If you are willing to help provide candy and/or individually wrapped items, (pretzels, etc.) please drop them by the church office.

Thank you.

PRAYER CHAIN

If you would like to be included in our email prayer chain please provide your email address to the church office. We have found this to be an effective method of notifying our prayer warriors of those who are in need of prayer. We are happy to add



you so that you can be praying for those in need.

If you or someone you know would like the congregation to be praying for them, simply call or email the church office or Pastor Buddy with your request and we will pass it on.

Election Day

It is once again time to go to the polls to choose who will fill the offices we all love to complain about. Believe it or not, each one of those people we complain about are real, live human beings with families and priorities of their own, which don't always seem to line up with what we think they should be.

We do have the ability to learn a great deal about the candidates and the issues with a little bit of research. Below are several possible web sites that may help you in your research.

- State sponsored site with help about voting and elections in general: <https://www.pa.gov/guides/voting-and-elections/>
- Pennsylvania Democratic Party web site: <http://www.padems.com/>
- Pennsylvania Republican Party web site: <https://www.pagop.org/>
- Pennsylvania Green Party web site: <https://www.gpofpa.org/>
- *Ballotpedia* is a nonpartisan online political encyclopedia. It covers American federal, state, and local politics, elections, and public policy. https://ballotpedia.org/Main_Page

There are many more websites and resources out there and you have to decide which ones are most in line with your opinions. Exercise caution, for in this day of hyper-partisanship, "post-truth," and "alternative facts" opinions sometimes supersede honest reporting. No candidate or party will be perfect; it is up to each of us to make an informed choice.

Church Themed Notecards

We offer custom note cards designed by Rick Blumquist. They are available for purchase in the church office during regular office hours. You can also purchase them Sunday mornings by request. This is a fundraiser for our church and your support is appreciated. The cost is \$2 per card and envelope OR you can purchase a pack of three for \$5.00. What a great way to send a note to a friend!

Downstairs Adult Sunday School Class Curriculum

Upon completion of the current course of study, *The Real God* featuring the teaching of Chip Ingram, the Downstairs Adult Class will resume the study they had worked upon prior to this current one. That study is the *Read Scripture Series* with Tim Mackie.

The intent of this study is to help you read through the Bible without getting lost or giving up. This series has a video for every book of the Bible that outlines its literary design and main ideas, showing you how it fits into the entire biblical story.



Even if you have missed the prior videos, you can jump right in and pick up with us and get a great deal out of the remaining sessions. This session begins on November 4 at 9:30 AM in the Downstairs class room. Come join us for an enjoyable time of learning about the Bible.

A Prayer for My Pastor

O Lord, let me be a pillar of strength to hold my pastor up, and not a thorn in his flesh to sap his strength, nor a burden on his back to pull him down.

Let me lift his hands without placing shackles around them.

Let me give him help that he may devote more time to working for the redemption of others and less time in gratifying my vanity.

Let me work for him as the minister of all the members and not compel him to spend precious time working on me.

Let me strive to be happy as he serves me less and others more.

Anonymous

When Does the Service Begin?

A young William Penn was once asked by an acquaintance to take him to a Quaker meeting in London. The future founder of Pennsylvania did so.

When he and his friend had sat through an hour of silence, the friend asked Penn, in a whisper, "When does the service begin?" Penn's answer was, "The service begins when the meeting ends."



And so it is today. Go out and make yourself useful.



From all of us at North Warren
Presbyterian Church!



POINSETTIAS



The Christmas season will be upon us soon and the Flower committee is busy with preparations for decorating our church. We are asking for your help. You may help in any or all of the following areas:

Poinsettias will be \$8.50 each and will be of varying colors. All flowers are to be picked up following the Christmas Eve Service. Please bring a bag to cover your plant and protect it from the cold.

Donations of \$\$\$ to the Deacons Fund will assist them in providing for those in need in our community. Your help is greatly needed and appreciated again this year.

If you would like to make a donation of \$\$\$ to help defray the cost of renewing and/or replacing some of the decorations you may do so through this form as well.

All flowers and donations may be placed in memory or honor of family, friends, loved ones, etc. Please indicate your choices and place in the offering plate or return this form along with your gift to the church office.

Deadline is December 6, 2018.

Thank you for your participation. The Flower Committee

Name _____ Phone _____

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| 1. Poinsettia - \$8.50 each | \$_____ | (colors may vary) |
| 2. Deacons Fund | \$_____ | |
| 3. Church Decorating Fund | \$_____ | |
| TOTAL | \$_____ | |



In Memory Of:

In Honor Of:

Please indicate your choices and place in the offering plate or return this form along with your gift to the church office, ATTN: Flower Committee.

Deadline is December 6, 2018.

Make your checks to "NWPC" or North Warren Presbyterian Church

Youth Stuff

Bulletin Board



- ☺ Thanks to Ruth Morrison for helping supervise Recreation each Wednesday!
- ☺ Thanks to Joshua Ward for helping with the youth bonfire in September!



High School Sunday School



We are studying the character of God from *The Real God* by Chip Ingram using the *Right Now* curriculum. Come check it out on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. downstairs in the youth room.

Family Movie Night!

FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE

Where: North Warren Presbyterian Church

When: Sat., Nov. 10th
6:30 p.m.

What: *Incredibles 2* [PG]



Come and relax and snack! Invite your friends and family! We'll be in the sanctuary.

Nov at a Glance

Sun, 4th Daylight Savings Time ends

PENNY SUNDAY for missions

Sat, 10th Family Movie Night for all ages
@ 6:30 pm
Incredibles 2

Recreation is on Wednesday nights from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m. at the Community House for those in 5th grade through high school. Don't forget your water bottles!

NO REC on November 21st!



NOVEMBER "NO SCHOOL" DATES

Mon & Tue 12th & 13th

Wed, Thurs, Fri, & Mon 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 26th, 27th for Thanksgiving



YOUTH GROUP

Youth group will go on a hiatus for the foreseeable future as we consider some alternative ideas and special events for older children and teens.



Halloween in the Park!

Wednesday, Oct. 31st from 6—8 pm



FOOTSTEPS WEEKEND IN NOVEMBER



There is a Footsteps weekend November 16th-18th at Camp Mission Meadows for anyone in high school. It will be paid for and you are committed for the whole weekend. The theme verse is Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." The theme is "Lord of the Rings." Contact Anne ASAP if you are interested in going.

Coming in December...


Plans are in the works for a Christmas Pageant to be held on a Sunday during the worship service. We will be needing children as well as adults for this event. Look for announcements on the church's website or in worship bulleting for further information in the coming month!



Youth Group Contacts

Anne Ward 726-2415 (H)
bsward3@atlanticbb.net
Church website: nwpchurch.org



 ...The Youth Group Bulletin Board in the church for latest information and news for and about Youth events! We also have an NWPC Facebook page and NWPC website with a plethora of information!

2019 Youth Mission Trip

I would like to know who (7th -12th grades) wants to go on a mission trip next summer. If you are totally in for the trip, please let me know! If you have a preference of a week and/or place, also let me know! Thinking about the 3rd or 4th week in June, but am open. I'm looking for willing missionaries! Thanks!



Our World Vision sponsored child, from Ghana, Yamba Jabila!



We have received correspondence from Yamba and



World Vision! Her 16th birthday is Nov. 12th and she is in High School! She is grateful for our sponsorship of her. She lives in the northern part of Ghana in the Saboba District. Yamba lives with her parents, who are both farmers, and siblings. She helps them on their farm. Yamba's favorite hobby is playing football. Look for information from the program manager in that area and a new photo on the bulletin board!



Note For Parents:

Whether your child or children is/are 7 or 17, there are often concerns or questions a parent may have...OR maybe you just want to make sure you are doing the right things...OR there are some issues... I am willing to help...



Should you have any questions, concerns, or even just thoughts about parenting issues, please feel free to contact me. I am willing to be a resource person and will search high and low for information and/or resources and/or "seasoned" parents for your parenting needs, not that I have the answers necessarily.

I don't know what support you need, but feel free to let me know or offer suggestions.

Anne Ward

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>28</p> <p>9:15 AM Prayer Meeting 9:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 6:00 PM Youth Group</p>	<p>29</p> <p>9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 7:00 PM Qadosh Bells</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Halloween in the Park</p>	<p>1</p> <p>6:00 PM Deacons</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>
<p><i>Penny Sunday 4</i></p> <p>9:15 AM Prayer Meeting 9:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship After Church Coffee 6:00 PM Youth Group</p>	<p>5</p> <p>5:45 PM Worship Team 6:00 PM Community House 7:00 PM Qadosh Bells</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Rec</p>	<p>8</p> <p>12:30 PM Ladies Prayer Luncheon 7:30 PM Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
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For a complete up-to-date view, visit our website at <http://www.nwpcchurch.org/events-news-and-lists>

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Halloween Community Event

Come join your friends and neighbors from the North Warren community for a great time of food and fun on Halloween Night, Wednesday, October 31st from 6:00 – 8:00 PM in the Dave Clark Pavilion. Besides handing out candy, we will have free hot dogs and fresh apple cider. It will be a great time to get to know our neighbors in the North Warren Community.

Once again this year we are inviting families from the congregation to “Trunk or Treat” in the parking lot. Bring your candy and pass it out from your car in the parking lot. This provides a safe Halloween for all kids, big and small, in North Warren or others who may stop by.



We are looking for people who can help with the preparation of the hot dogs, passing out of coffee and cider, and just generally having a good time with the folks that stop by. Last year we had a great turnout and gave away over 200 hot dogs. If you can help, just come on down, lend a hand and join the fun.