# October 22, 2023 Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost North Warren Presbyterian Church Reverend Burfoot S. Ward, III, Pastor Kris Soderberg, Organist

"We trust God's Spirit to work in us, through our words and deeds, wherever we are."

## **Prelude**

## **Register Attendance**

Please sign the friendship register located in the pew rack, your name only if you attend regularly, completely if you are new or visiting.

## **Announcements**

Call to Worship PRAISE AND BLESS THE LORD

No. 73

(read responsively)

\***Hymn** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

No. 33

No. 591

#### \*Invocation

\*Hymn

## \*Prayer of Confession

Great God: you have put us to work in the world in order to reap the harvest of your Word, yet we do not do the reaping. We look to others to do the reaping for us. We have become too busy doing the things we think are most important rather than what you have called us to do. Forgive us, Lord, by your great and never-ending mercy. Teach us to be modest and faithful servants who do your Will, in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord. Amen.

# \*Words of Assurance

| *Gloria Patri           |                   | p. 813    |
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| *Offering Response      | "Doxology"        | p.815     |
| *Offering Prayer        |                   |           |
| Children's Message      |                   | Rev. Ward |
| <b>Scripture Lesson</b> | Exodus 33:12-23   | p. 140    |
| Sermon                  | "God's Blessings" | Rev. Ward |
| Joys and Concerns       |                   |           |

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

#### \*Benediction

### **Postlude**

\*Those Who Are Able, Please Stand We welcome all who have come to worship with us. We pray that this service will be a blessing to you.



Lay Leader today is Susan Stout.

Ushers/Greeters for today are Lois Marshall and Lynn Olsen.

Video/Sound Booth operator is Drake Lawson.

Nursery worker is Soojye Gustafson.

**The Sanctuary flowers** today are given by John and Donna Caito in memory of everyone we have lost at NWPC.

**The Sunflowers** are in support of the Ukrainians as they fight for their freedom against the Russians.

**Offering plates** are located at the entrances to the sanctuary. Please place your tithes and offerings in the plates on your way in or out of the service. You can give electronically by downloading the app, going to our website, or snapping the QR code on the front cover and clicking on the "Donate Now" button on the first page. Our new invitation code is **TB43VX**. THANK-YOU!

## **Looking Ahead**

Today - 12:00 pm Pastor Appreciation Luncheon, Fellowship Hall

Monday, October 23 - 10:00 am Women's Bible Study in the series "Love in Chaos," will meet in Fellowship Hall, #4 - "Love Your Neighbor." Plan now to attend.

- 6:30 pm Qadosh Bell Practice in sanctuary

Sunday, October 29 - 9:30 am Sunday School for all ages 11:00 am Worship Service in Sanctuary

Monday, October 30 - 6:30 pm Qadosh Bell Practice in sanctuary

Tuesday, October 31 - 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm Halloween in the Park

Thursday, November 1 - 6:00 pm Deacons meet in pastor's office

**Halloween Candy Needed** – Donations of wrapped candy for the "Halloween in the Park" community event in the Pavilion from 5 - 7:30 pm on Tuesday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> are needed. You can drop off your candy at the church office through Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the candy, cider, hotdogs, and hot chocolate. Please let Amanda Knopf know if you can help.

New Adult Study started this morning at 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall. The Book of 1 Thessalonians - "Living for Christ in a Culture that Doesn't" by Ben Stuart on RightNow Media. What is God's Will for our lives, and why is it important to know? This eight-session series shows us that Jesus calls us to live our faith openly, letting the world see our allegiance to Him. When we are being faithful, pressing against culture, others can't help but notice. As we live confident of our good future in God's kingdom, we show the world where—and in whom—their hope lies. Come and join us while we are still early in this great study!

# Sermon Outline for October 22, 2023 Rev. Ward TITLE: "God's Blessings" TEXT: Exodus 33:12-23 I. Introduction: Why is it so to take God's in our for ? II. What if you could all the good in life — the \_\_\_\_\_ that we refer to as "\_\_\_\_\_" — but you \_\_\_\_\_ have ? III. The greatest \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_ God and \_\_\_\_\_ in God's \_\_\_\_\_ . IV. To truly \_\_\_\_\_ God, we must \_\_\_\_ God's and God's . V. Knowing God and living in God's presence is the greatest of ...