

## THIS WEEK IN BRIEF

TODAY: 11:<sup>00</sup>AM — In-Person Worship Service  
Tuesday: — Newsletter articles due  
Thurs/Fri — Feb. '21 Newsletter Publication

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Session and the Deacon's & Trustee presidents have moved us back to in-person services and meetings with the option on meetings for people to participate by Zoom. We will continue to evaluate weekly where we stand with regard to the COVID pandemic in case we wind up with another mini-outbreak in the congregation or community. We look like we have broken the back of our current curve in the congregation after 6 weeks. The service will continue to be broadcast on the short-range AM station (840 AM) around the building, and we will continue to record services for broadcast on the two YouTube channels "Albert Stuart" and "North Liberty"

Please check the letter from Session about scheduling that has been sent to the Prayer Chain e-mail list. It will also be attached to this bulletin.

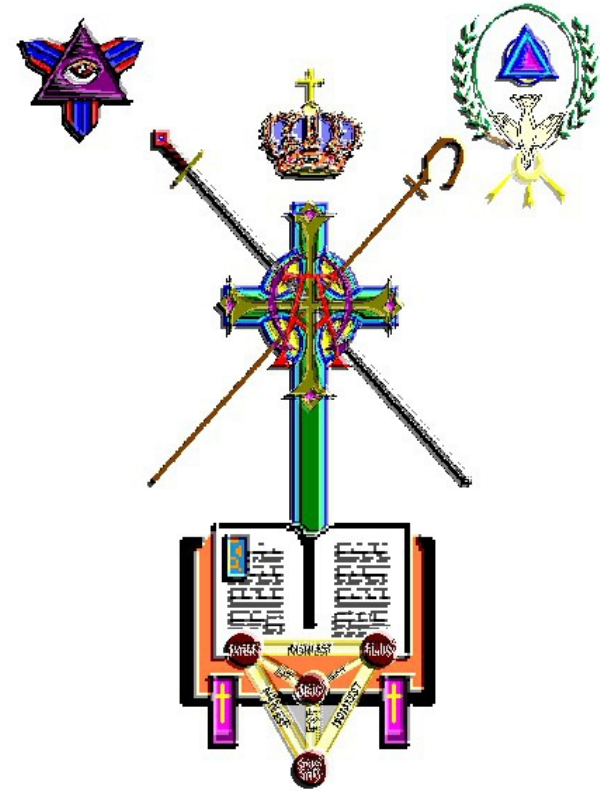
Remember to check the The Church Website weekly for new material and for the worship videos: <http://northlibertypc.org>

### MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the North Liberty Presbyterian Church is to *serve Christ*. We seek to *introduce Jesus* as the Christ and *become disciples* so that together we are enabled to *love one another* and *share His love* with those around us.

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Josiah Stuart, Solist

The Lord's Day

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany

January 24, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS & CONCERNS:

✠ ✠ PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD ✠ ✠

PRELUDE: "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Unison: O LORD, you have searched and known us, knowing when we sit and rise up and discerning our thoughts from afar. You search out our paths and know all of our ways and doings. Before we speak, You know what we say and what we shall think. Such knowledge is too wonderful for us and we cannot attain it. As we come before You in worship this day, search us, and know our hearts! Try us and know all our thoughts! If there be any grievous way in us, correct us and lead us in Your everlasting way! Touch Us and abide with us in our worship this day, we pray. [Based on Psalm 139]

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

HYMNS: "Amazing Grace" # 343  
All verses

CALL TO CONFESSION:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Unison: Eternal God, in Whom we live, move and have our being; Whose face is hidden from us because of our sins, and Whose mercy we have forgotten in the blindness of our hearts; Cleanse us, we pray, from all of our offenses and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires which we have nurtured deep within us. Grant that with reverent and humble hearts, we may draw near to You, and that in confessing our faults and clinging to Your grace, we might find our true refuge through Jesus Christ, Your only-begotten Son. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION:

DECLARATION OF PARDON:

\* GLORIA PATRI:

✠ ✠ HEARING THE WORD OF GOD ✠ ✠

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Jonah 3:1 - 10  
Mark 1:14 - 20

SERMON: "A Tale of Two Responses:  
Complain or Comply?"  
The Rev. Albert Rhodes Stuart

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER:

✠ ✠ RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD ✠ ✠

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS & TITHES:

Tithes and offerings can be sent to Deb Hartman at 422 W Main Street, Grove City Pa 16127. Deacon offerings can be sent to Paul Eperthener North Liberty Plain Grove Rd, Grove City Pa. 16127.

Please also consider Giving to the Salvation Army Kettle Campaign through NLPC. Their annual Kettle Drive has been severely effected by the COVID Pandemic this year

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

DOXOLOGY

HYMN: "If My People's Hearts Are Humbled" # 805  
Both Verses

CHARGE & BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: "O Jesus, I Have Promised!"

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### Hospitalized

Jamie McElhinny (Surg.  
Complications — AHN West Penn)

### Upcoming Surgery

### Recuperating

Joan Dickey  
Nancy Baker  
Paul Rizza  
Betty Holmes (Amanda Lucco's mother  
— broken ankle w/ surgery)  
Sherrie Young - Dana Uber's niece  
Garilyn Barlow's sister Janice  
(COVID)  
Johnny Hubel (TBI Home Recovery)

### Cancer Warriors

Evelyn Koprivnikar (Awaiting  
Treatment)  
Lisa Boesch  
John Petrack (Sue Black's brother-in-  
law)  
Bill Sevin — Cancer Spread  
John Stoops (continued treatment)

### Health and Other Concerns

John Koprivnikar (Now in Grove  
Manor)  
Bob Barger  
Gwen Best (Nina's sister / Gwen in  
quarantine because there are 27 cases  
of COVID in her nursing home)  
Brandy Brown  
Pat Burns (Anne Treanor's Sis-in-law)  
Ed Buchert  
Nancy Clark  
Thomas Cooper (Dorry's nephew)  
Kay Dannels (friend of Beth Black)

Jesse Duncan  
John Duncan  
Martha Dunlap  
Ray Hoagland  
(Marianne McCreight's father)  
Carter Kerr (Carolyn Rizza's Cousin)  
Linda Knight  
Tony Nicoletto  
Virginia Palmer  
David O'Planik (Denny Youshock's  
Cousin)  
Theresa & Stephanie Snyder  
(Joyce Youshock's cousins)  
Avery Reynolds  
(Friend of Marie Duncan)  
Kaitlyn Spinoso  
(Pastor's Bob McCreight's  
granddaughter)  
Olivia Williams  
(grandniece of Sue Black)  
Sam Williamson  
Dawn Carothers  
Bill & Helen Sevin  
Peggy Coulter (Reece's Mother)  
Sarah Watson — (Health concerns)  
Deb Hartman (Shingles)  
Gerry & Dorry (Amy / Anemia)

### Bereavement

Bill Cooper Family  
Ken Luckock Family  
Keith Cribbs Family  
Tom Holmes Family  
Betty Foster Family  
Marlene McCracken Family  
Mary Moyer Family  
Harry Palmer Family

### Special Prayers

The State of the Nation

### Thanksgiving

### Joy

### Work & Worship of the Church

Sunday School Teachers  
CE  
Liberty Lambs & Lions

### Shut-ins

\*\*\* New Address \*\*\*

### **June McClelland**

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Henderson, NV 89074

### **Erma Campbell —Rm 316B**

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### **Joan Dickey**

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### **Dick Schultz — Room 518**

Butler VA Healthcare  
353 North Duffy Road  
Butler, PA 16001

### **Lillian Jeffrey**

Home 2 Me  
600 Slippery Rock Road  
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### **John Koprivnikar**

Grove Manor  
435 North Broad Street  
Room #26  
Grove City, PA 16127

### Mission

Pecos Valley Hispanic Ministries  
The Presbyterian Church in  
North and South Sudan  
Dominican Republic  
Mission Partners



Kyle Campbell  
(Alex's brother)  
Jake and Jessica Corey  
(Lockheart) Orman  
(Erin Stoops' Cousins)  
Kirby Buchanan  
(Tom & Nina Cooper's  
Grandson)

## Additional Notices:

We want to thank and encourage those who continue to join us virtually for worship through the internet and on DVD. We have been averaging nearly 70 individual and family visits to our virtual each week.

As we made the decision to return to in-person worship, we have not yet returned to Sunday School and other regular programming yet because of the restoration work still ongoing in the downstairs education wing. We hope to return as expeditiously as possible

Session has set a due date for all organizational treasurer's reports for Sunday, 14 February so that these can be submitted with the Treasurer's 2020 Books for annual audit which will occur during the week of 21 February. We will hold the Annual Congregational Meeting after worship on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> of March after worship. Our February Newsletter will be published for the 31<sup>st</sup> of January so articles and reports should be sent in to the office by the 24-25th.

Remember you can access our services from the church webpage or YouTube. If you know of anyone who can benefit from our services please pass our information along. As we are returned to on-site worship, we continue to tape these services and upload them as quickly as we can after worship. Additionally, while we continue to post the links to the services to the church webpage and to Facebook, if anyone would like to subscribe (free) to either the "North Liberty" or "Albert Stuart" channels on YouTube:

### Albert Stuart Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgskXHNPjvAwEeH6CKeQNA>

### North Liberty Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzi4d3I8gQuFwtER3o6xFyA>

If you sign in on either of these channels, you have an option to subscribe to the Channels. If you do this, you will receive notices from Youtube anytime there is new content on the channel.

## HYMN LYRICS:

### "Amazing Grace"

- [1] Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.

[2] 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

[3] Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come:  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

[4] The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

[5] When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the Sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise,  
Then when we'd first begun.

### "If My People's Hearts Are Humbled"

- [1] If My people's hearts are humbled, If they pray and seek My face;  
If they turn away from evil, I will not withhold My grace.  
I will hear their prayers from Heaven; I will pardon every sin.  
If My people's hearts are humbled, I will surely heal their land.
- [2] Then My eyes will see their sorrow, Then my ears will hear their plea.  
If My people's hearts are humbled I will set their nation free.  
If My people's hearts are humbled, If they pray and seek My face;  
If they turn away from evil I will not withhold My grace.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:      [Jonah 3:1 - 4:4](#)

<sup>1</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>"Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." <sup>3</sup>So Jonah arose and

went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" <sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

<sup>6</sup>The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. <sup>7</sup>And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, "By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, <sup>8</sup>but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. <sup>9</sup>Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish."

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that He had said He would do to them, and He did not do it.

<sup>4:1</sup>But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, & he was angry. <sup>2</sup>And he prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that You are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster. <sup>3</sup>Therefore now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." <sup>4</sup>And the LORD said, "Do you do well to be angry?"

#### Mark 1:14 - 20

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

<sup>16</sup>Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men." <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed Him. <sup>19</sup>And going on a little farther, He saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>And immediately He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed Him.