

THIS WEEK IN BRIEF

TODAY: 11:⁰⁰AM — In-Person Worship Service
12:³⁰PM — G.C. Min. / Lenten Prayer Vigil
Main Pavilion at GC Park

Tuesday: 7:⁰⁰PM — Choir Practice

Next
Sunday: 11:⁰⁰AM — Worship Service / 3rd Sunday In Lent
Auditors' Report distributed
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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The stated Congregational meeting will be held on Sun., March 14th after worship. At that time, we will receive the Auditors' report for the 2020 Treasurers' books and will consider the election of a new trustee (and hopefully an elder, as well) so that we may fill out the 2021 officer class.

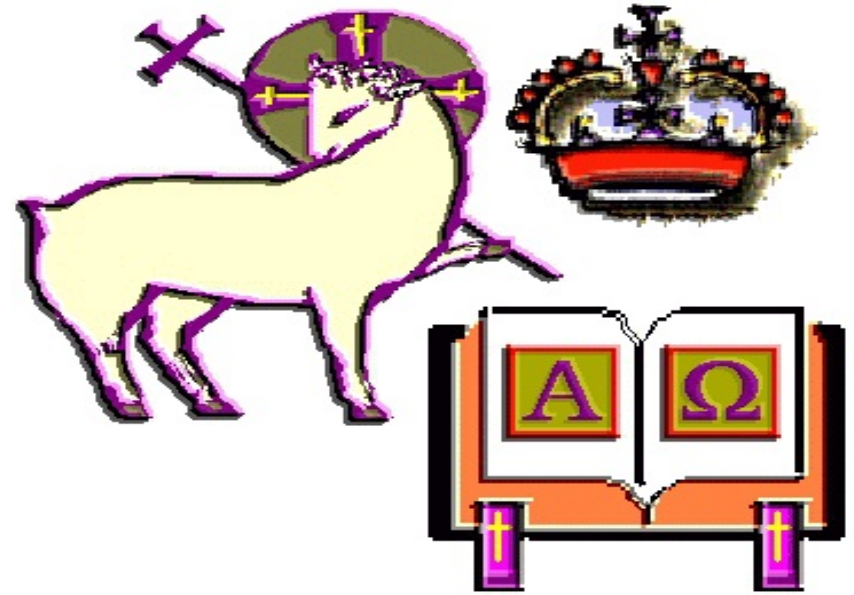
The Mission Committee is organizing a "Coffee Drive" for Joshua's Place (in the video, you will notice the presence of coffee cans along the chancel rail just below the pulpit). We will be collecting these cans for the next two weeks until Sunday, March 7th. The coffee, then, will be delivered to them along with a meal for the folks in the facility. Please BRING MORE COFFEE!!!

The Grove City Ministerium, while minimizing its in-person footprint during this Lenten season, is holding weekly prayer vigils at 12:30 PM at the main pavilion at Grove City Park. These vigils will be hosted by different community clergy and their congregations and are designed to last about 15 – 20 minutes (perhaps a bit longer as the weather warms). Pastor Rusty will be leading the vigil for Sun., March 7th. These prayer meetings will continue through Palm Sunday. All are cordially invited to attend as many of these events as possible. As we gather, please remember that we will be maintaining appropriate social distancing and will be using masks.

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.



“If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. . . “ — Mark 8: 34[b]

NORTH LIBERTY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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The Lord's Day
2nd Sunday in Lent

Sunday, February 21, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS & CONCERNS:

✠ ✠ PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD ✠ ✠

PRELUDE: "Above All "

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Unison: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near; let the wicked forsake the evil way; Call the unrighteous to forsake evil thoughts; and let that one return to the Lord Who will have mercy upon the repentant and abundantly pardon them. Let us worship the Triune Lord, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

[Adapted from the 1946 Book of Common Worship; Page 32]

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

HYMNS: "Be Thou My Vision" Vv 1 - 3 # 562

CALL TO CONFESSION:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Unison: Almighty God, creator of all, You marvelously made us in Your image; but we have corrupted ourselves and damaged Your likeness by rejecting Your love and hurting our neighbors. We have done wrong and neglected to do right. We are sincerely sorry and heartily repent of our sins. Cleanse us and forgive us by the sacrifice of Your Son; remake us and lead us by Your Spirit the Comforter and Advocate. We ask this through Jesus Christ our merciful High Priest. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION:

DECLARATION OF PARDON:

* GLORIA PATRI:

✠ ✠ HEARING THE WORD OF GOD ✠ ✠

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Romans 4:13 - 25
Mark 8:31 - 38

ANTHEM: "Unfailing Love" Tomlin, Cash & Pierce

SERMON: "Radical Grace: Picking Up Your Cross"
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 Kathy Schultz; 272 Oregon Rd., Volant, PA. 16156.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

DOXOLOGY

HYMN: "The Old Rugged Cross" Vv. 2 & 4 # 327

CHARGE & BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Pastor Rusty can be reached by phone at [724-421-5569](tel:724-421-5569) or by email at PrRustyStuart@aol.com

HOME ADDRESS: 3328 Beacon Hill Ave.; Pgh., PA 15216

PRAYER CONCERNS

Hospitalized

Diane Vatter

Upcoming Surgery

Cheryl Petrack (Ext. Hand Surgery)

Recuperating

Mary Ann Settle mire

Joan Dickey

Nancy Baker's Brother-in-Law, Chuck

Paul & Carolyn Rizza

Sherrie Young - Dana Uber's niece

Johnny Hubel (TBI Home Recovery)

Barb Linko (Heart Surgery 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 & Bell's Palsy)

Health and Other Concerns

Bob Barger

Gwen Best (Nina's sister / Broken shoulder)

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

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

Bill & Helen Sevin

Peggy Coulter (Reece's Mother)

Sarah Watson — (Health concerns)

Gerry & Dorry (Amy / Anemia)

Paul Bonnici (Mark's brother)

Lisa Sevin's Cousin Mike

John Duncan

(John Korpivnikar's Nephew)

Julie Roberts ()

Diana Vatter (G. & M. Stoops' friend)

Bereavement

Donna Shidemantle Family

Bob Vatter Family

Special Prayers

The State of the Nation

COVID Vaccinations

Growing Mental Health Crisis

Police, Fire, EMS, Med. Personnel,

& Mental Health Workers

Texas Power Grid Failure

Thanksgiving

Barb Linko Improving

Mary Ann Settle mire improving

Joy

Work & Worship of the Church Dominican Republic

Sunday School Teachers

CE

Liberty Lambs & Lions

Shut-ins

June McClelland

1445 Stonelake Cove #5108

Henderson, NV 89074

Erma Campbell —Rm 316B

Orchard Manor

20 Orchard Drive

Grove City, PA 16127

Joan Dickey

Lakes of Jefferson

7271 W. Market St.

Mercer, PA 16137

724-418-4446

Dick Schultz — Room 518

Butler VA Healthcare

353 North Duffy Road

Butler, PA 16001

Lillian Jeffrey

Home 2 Me

600 Slippery Rock Road

Slippery Rock, PA 16057

John Koprivnikar

Grove Manor

435 North Broad Street

Room #20 (New room number)

Grove City, PA 16127

Mission

Pecos Valley Hispanic Ministries

Presbyterian Church in N. & S. 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

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/UCgskXHNKPjvAwEeH6CKeQNA>

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.

Please check the Church Website regularly. It is being updated — sometimes a couple of times per week:

<http://www.northlibertypc.org>

If you go directly to:

<http://www.northlibertypc.org/category/recordedsermons/>

You will find the weekly service recordings and the bulletin.

You can also check us out on the Church’s Upcoming Events page at:

<http://www.northlibertypc.org/upcoming-events/>

HYMN LYRICS:

“Be Thou My Vision”

- [1] Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- [2] Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord.
Born of thy love, thy child may I be,
thou in me dwelling and I one with thee.
- [3] Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always.
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
Ruler of heaven, my treasure thou art.

“The Old Rugged Cross”

- [2] O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above
to bear it to dark Calvary.

[Refrain]

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.

- [4] To that old rugged cross I will ever be true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
where his glory forever I'll share.

[Refrain]