

Welcome

to Norcross Presbyterian Church

Come as you are. You won't be a stranger long.

Celebration of Worship—October 13, 2019

GATHERING

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

† Passing of the Peace

Prelude

Call to Worship

One: Praise the LORD with joy.

All: God's love endureth forever.

One: Praise the LORD with service.

All: God's love endureth forever.

One: Praise the LORD with song.

All: God's love endureth forever.

Let us worship God.

† Hymn #31 (*Glory To God Hymnal*)

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

A time for meditation

† Response to meditation (*hymn # 582*)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

† Prayer for Illumination (*unison*)

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.

† Hymn #19 (*Glory To God Hymnal*)

God of Great and God of Small

First Reading

Jeremiah 29.1, 4-7

The prophet Jeremiah sent a letter from Jerusalem to the few surviving elders among the exiles, to the priests and the prophets, and to all the people Nebuchadnezzar had taken to Babylon from Jerusalem. The LORD of heavenly forces, the God of Israel, proclaims to all the exiles I have carried off from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵ Build houses and settle down; cultivate gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶ Get married and have children; then help your sons find wives and your daughters find husbands in order that they too may have children. Increase in number there so that you don't dwindle away. ⁷ Promote the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because your future depends on its welfare.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 2.8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, who was raised from the dead and descended from David. This is my good news. ⁹ This is the reason I'm suffering to the point that I'm in prison like a common criminal. But God's word cannot be imprisoned. ¹⁰ This is why I endure everything for the sake of those who are chosen by God so that they too may experience salvation in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. ¹¹ This saying is reliable:

"If we have died together, we will also live together.

¹² If we endure, we will also rule together.

If we deny him, he will also deny us.

¹³ If we are disloyal, he stays faithful"

because he can't be anything else than what he is.

¹⁴ Remind them of these things and warn them in the sight of God not to engage in battles over words that aren't helpful and only destroy those who hear them. ¹⁵ Make an effort to present yourself to God as a tried-and-true worker, who doesn't need to be ashamed but is one who interprets the message of truth correctly.

Third Reading

Luke 17.11-19

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with skin diseases approached him. Keeping their distance from him, ¹³ they raised their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, show us mercy!”

¹⁴ When Jesus saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” As they left, they were cleansed. ¹⁵ One of them, when he saw that he had been healed, returned and praised God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He fell on his face at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Jesus replied, “Weren’t ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? ¹⁸ No one returned to praise God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ Then Jesus said to him, “Get up and go. Your faith has healed you.”

Sermon

Well

Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Fry

† **Hymn #179** (*Glory To God Hymnal*)

Ten Lepers Facing Constant Scorn

† **Affirmation of Faith—*The Apostles’ Creed—(unison)***

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our LORD; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer

Corporate Prayer

The LORD’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offering

Offertory

† **Doxology # 609** (*Glory To God Hymnal*)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

† **Prayer of Thanksgiving** (*responsively*)

Leader: Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We bring these fruits of our labors, a portion of the bounty you entrust to us.

We give thanks for the wholeness you offer us amid a fragmented world. We

are grateful for meaningful tasks in the midst of chaos and meaningless

suffering. We dedicate ourselves and our offering to your faithful service.

Amen.

SENDING

† **Hymn #547** (*Glory To God Hymnal*)

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

† **Charge and Blessing**

Postlude

This Week at NPC

Sunday, October 13, 2019

- 9:30 A.M. NPC Sunday School Hour
- 11:00 A.M. NPC Worship Service
- 12:30-2:30 P.M. NPC Committee/Session Meetings
- 12:00-1 P.M. Kwang-Ya Bible Study, Covenant Room
- 1-2:30 P.M. Kwang-Ya Worship, Sanctuary

Monday, October 14, 2019

- 10:00 A.M. Kwang Ya Counseling Class
- 6:30 P.M. Boy Scouts

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

- 6:30 P.M. Community YOGA Class
- 7:00 P.M. Kwang Ya Counseling Class

Wednesday, October 16, 2019

- 10:30 A.M. Kwang Ya Counseling Class
- 6:00 P.M. NPC Wednesday Night Dinner (*Crymes*)
and Bible Discussion
- 7:30 P.M. NPC Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00 P.M. Kwang Ya Bible Study

Thursday, October 17, 2019

- 7:00 P.M. Kwang Ya English Class

Friday, October 18, 2019

- 8:30 P.M. Kwang Ya Prayer Meeting

Saturday, October 19, 2019

Serving in the Church this Sunday, October 13th

<u>Counters:</u>	<u>Ushers:</u>	<u>Lay Readers:</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>
German Correa	TBD	TBD	BJ Steele
Bob Norman	Jan Garland	(Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7)	
		German Correa	
		(2 Timothy 2:8-15)	

Refreshments: Beth Miller & Brian Smith

Ringing of Hour: Diane Lewis & Jacob Geerlings

Serving in the Church next Sunday, October 20th

<u>Counters:</u>	<u>Ushers:</u>	<u>Lay Readers:</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>
German Correa	Cynthia Correa	Beth Miller	German Correa
Bob Norman	German Correa	Tim Rado	

Refreshments: TBD

Ringing of Hour: Diane Lewis & Jacob Geerlings

Announcements

IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO RUN A PUMPKIN PATCH! Please sign up for shifts to staff the patch during the coming weeks. The weather is nice so customers will come even in early October. Sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

NPC Committee and Session Meetings TODAY beginning at 12:30pm.

Wednesday Night Dinners and Bible Discussions have started up again. Join us this Wednesday for Food, Fellowship and Fun! We will be discussing the DVD series "The Rock, the Road, and the Rabbi"

Contemporary Worship speakers needed. Please see Bob Norman if you have a message you would like to share at an upcoming contemporary worship service at NPC.

Come to NPC during the Sunday School hour (9:30-10:30 am) We are starting a new Bible Study of the four Gospels using the **Parallel Lives of Jesus: A Guide to the Four Gospels**, by Edward Adams, as well as studying the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. All are invited and encouraged to join us for what should be a very interesting study. Please prayerfully consider joining us.

October Birthdays

Joseph Crymes—10/3, Tom Birmingham—10/3,
David Bartlett—10/4, B.J. Steele—10/17,
Emmalynn Oh—10/19, Maryann Peterson—10/24