

Sunday Worship

This Sunday, September 17, 2017, is the Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Rev. Dr. Tim Boggess will present the Sermon “The One Thing God Won’t Forgive”. The scripture readings are Matthew 18:21-35. The offertory anthem is “God of Great and God of Small” arr. by Natalie Sleeth.

Prayers

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| For those who are ill or recovering: | Elmarie and Scott Parker |
| Medie Crockett | Mickey Debardelaben |
| Sandra Thorington | Cindy Conn |
| Betty Jane Deadwyler | Travis Thorne |
| Campbell Fretz | Tim Criswell |
| Peter Nelson | Lacy Phillips |
| Betzi Allsop | Jason Fritz |
| Audrey Wilson | Suzy Milner |
| Ann McClurkin | |
| Marshall Fisher | |

To have a name placed on the prayer list, please call 404-237-5539. Hospitals no longer notify churches when a member is a patient. Therefore, we depend on family and friends to let us know when a congregant has been admitted.

**If you would like additional information on those on the prayer list, please contact the church office.*

Serving This Week

Ushers: Harriett Kelly, Bruce Hogg, Mike McMackin, Jamie Milton, Steve Williams

Worship Coordinator: Steven Pohl

Sound and Light: Mark Wolff

Elder on Call: Kaye Mulkeen

Breakfast Volunteers: Penn and Anne McClatchey

Livestream: TBD

Greeters: Jennifer and Steele Fortune

Young Children and Worship: Jennifer Fortune, Martha Greenway

Weekly Lectionary

Sunday, September 17

1 Kings 19:8-21

Acts 5:34-42

John 11:45-57

Monday, September 18

1 Kings 21:1-16

1 Cor. 1:1-19

Matt. 4:1-11

Tuesday, September 19

1 Kings 21:17-29

1 Cor. 1:20-31

Matt. 4:12-17

Wednesday, September 20

1 Kings 22:1-28

1 Cor. 2:1-13

Matt. 4:18-25

Thursday, September 21

1 Kings 22:29-45

1 Cor. 2:14-3:15

Matt. 5:1-10

Friday, September 22

2 Kings 1:2-17

1 Cor. 3:16-23

Matt. 5:11-16

Saturday, September 23

2 Kings 2:1-18

1 Cor. 4:1-7

Matt. 5:17-20

Sunday sermons are available on-line at <http://nwpcatlanta.podcastpeople.com>.

Watch Sunday worship service live or anytime at livestream.com/nwpcatlanta.

Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/nwpcatlanta

Christian Education

**Sunday School for all ages begins this Sunday! Set your alarms and come for:
Hot Breakfast: 9:00-9:30, Sunday School Classes: 9:45
Come enjoy table fellowship and deepen your faith in the Family of God!**

**Sunday School for Children in the Children's Building:
Growing in Grace and Gratitude (PCUSA)**

Nursery provided for infants through 3 years old.

Preschool/Kindergarten Class (ages 4-6 yrs)

Elementary Class (1st-4th grade)

Sunday School for Youth in the Youth Lodge

Middle School (5th-8th grade): *Know My Bible* (PCUSA)

Senior High (9th-12th grade) *"Real Faith: Gossip, Money, Lifestyle, Stressors, and Forgiveness"*

Come learn how your faith can guide you through everyday decisions and issues. Short-term studies with open discussion.

Sunday School for Adults in the Family Life Center

September 17 and 24: The Family of God: Two Part Series for all Adults

Who belongs in the Family of God? What is your place in it? How do we invite and include others? Come look at what the Bible says about belonging and inviting, and find new ways of being God's family.

Beginning October 1: Adult Education Classes: Two Choices

Bible Discovery: *The Gospel of John* - Teacher: Louis Bridges

Journey Class: *How Technology Shapes our Spiritual and Social Lives*. Led by Ellen Carrington.

Young Children and Worship Preview: September 17, 9:45-10:00AM

All parents of children Pre-K– 2nd Grade (new and old) are strongly encouraged to attend this preview of our worship program for children. Sessions are during second part of the 11:00AM worship service.

Northwest Youth

Northwest Youth Parents' Meeting at 6:00pm on September 17, in the youth lodge. Please plan to attend. We will discuss the calendar for the year and deposits for retreats and summer trips.

Save the Date – Friday September 22

The NW Youth will be serving dinner at Clifton Night Shelter. Please let Amanda know ASAP if you are able to attend. We will need a few more adults as well.

Save the Date – Fall Retreat

White Water Rafting on the Ocoee – October 20—22

Our fall retreat is booked and ready to go! We will be staying Friday and Saturday nights in a beautiful cabin in Blue Ridge, GA. Saturday will be rafting down the Ocoee for their last rafting trip of the season and enjoy downtown Blue Ridge that evening. Please plan to RSVP and submit a deposit by September 15. Spots guaranteed for the first 10 RSVP's received; all others are subject to the availability of the rafting company. Contact Amanda for pricing details and other questions.



Small Group Study and Support Opportunities

Strengthen your ties to the family of God and deepen your knowledge of the Bible through a small group.

Monday Men's Bible Study: Weekly study, beginning Monday, September 18, 10:30-11:30 (Garden Room). Each Monday morning, men in the church are invited to meet with Pastor Tim for Bible study and discussion. This Fall, Pastor Tim will lead a study of the classic "Basic Christian Doctrine" by Shirley Guthrie.

Wednesday Women's Bible Study: 8 weeks, 10:00-11:30, beginning Wednesday, September 27. (Adams Room). Come for coffee, study and prayer. Pastor Laura leads a study on the New Testament book of Hebrews with the focus on "Community". Childcare available upon request.

SOS: Save Our Sisters: Women meet to share a devotional, pray and support one another. Pastor Laura leads this group, Sunday evenings 6:00-7:30 (Garden Room). First meeting is this Sunday, September 17, immediately following the Youth Parent Meeting. Childcare available upon request.

Presbyterian Women's (PW) "Circle of Hope": Monthly fellowship and Bible study, meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00PM. The first meeting will be October 5 at the home of Ann Vining and the study is led by Martha Greenway. This year the study will be on the PW Horizons book of Hebrews, with the focus on "Community".

Announcements

Volunteers Needed-Agape Youth and Family Center

Agape Youth and Family Center has opened for the new school year. Volunteers are needed once again to help sort and bag produce for the children attending Agape's after school program. Our first opportunity will be Thursday, September 21 at 3:00pm at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Building D, Second Floor. About one hour is all that is needed. Contact Carol Meier with questions and for more information casmeier23@gmail.com or 404-626-4884.

Fall Supper Club

Your Fellowship Team is coordinating another fun Supper Club! September 21, 6PM at Marcello's Trattoria, 3655 Roswell Rd, Suite 106, Atlanta, GA 30342. Dinner and drinks are on your own with Fellowship Team picking up the tab for dessert. Please RSVP to Lisa Bacorn so we can include you in this fun evening. lbacorn50@att.net or (404) 202-2218 or sign up online: <https://nwpcatlanta.wufoo.com/forms/z6qj8f21ieqdob/>.

Volunteer Opportunities– Clifton Shelter

The Witness Team invites you and your family to serve a meal at Clifton Sanctuary Ministries. Clifton is a shelter for homeless men in the Candler Park neighborhood, Northwest has supported this special ministry for many years, by providing a meal and helping with laundry. Northwest volunteers are needed to serve meals for Clifton on the following date:

Other dates extending into the fall are Fri. Sept. 22 , Sat. Oct. 28, Fri. Nov. 24, & Sat. Dec. 23

Please Contact Jamie Milton, 404-310-0191 or jamiemilton@att.net, with your preferred date and for more information.

Church Calendar

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| Sunday, Sept. 17 | 9:00AM | Breakfast |
| | 9:30AM | Sunday School |
| | 11:00AM | Worship |
| | 6:00PM | NW Youth Parents Meeting |
| | 6:00PM | Save Our Sisters |
| Monday, Sept. 18 | | Men's Bible Study |
| Wed., Sept. 20 | 7:00PM | Choir Rehearsal |
| Thursday, Sept. 21 | 6:00PM | Fall Supper Club |
| Friday, Sept. 22 | | Serve Dinner at Clifton Shelter |
| Saturday, Sept. 23 | 8:00PM | Fall Concert Series |
| Sunday, Sept. 24 | 9:00AM | Breakfast |
| | 9:30AM | Sunday School |
| | 11:00AM | Worship |
| Tuesday, Sept. 26 | 7:00PM | Session Meeting |
| Wed., Sept. 27 | 7:00PM | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 10:00AM | Women's Bible Study |

September Birthdays

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| 12th | Marina Milton Sandy Simonds |
| 14th | Emma Holderread Conan McDaniel Ann Vining |
| 16th | Jennifer Meier |
| 18th | Tina Bailey |
| 19th | Tuck McCabe |
| 20th | Alexandra Greenway |
| 22nd | John Gay Susie Rankin |
| 23rd | Maxine Smith |
| 24th | Billie Thorington |
| 28th | Mark Carrington Julie George Valerie Hamm Jamie Milton |
| 29th | Celia Quillian |
| 30th | Jeanne Singer |

Preferred Way To Submit Announcements

Do you have a NWPC-related event or news that needs to be communicated to your fellow church members? Visit <https://nwpcatlanta.wufoo.com/forms/s14ou9o403ia41r/> for an easy form to convey the needed information to the office.

NWPC Fall 2017 Concert Series

Mark your calendars for the upcoming concert series at NWPC. All concerts are free of charge (although donations are accepted to support future programs).

Saturday, Sept. 23, 8pm

The program will feature our talented organist/pianist Mauro Ronca with the talented operatic soprano (and Mauro's wife), Kelsey Fredriksen. Pieces include a Bach piano concerto (presented as a piano/organ duet), operatic Arias and American ragtime jazz.

Saturday, Oct. 7, 8pm

"Night Soliloquy" will feature a New York duo (called Duo Astralis) featuring Angela Massey (flute) and Vahan Sargsyan (piano). The recital will include a world premiere by Lance Hulme and other works by Chaminade, Chopin, Gaubert, Hoover, and Taffanel.

Sunday, Nov. 19, 3pm

An afternoon matinee program featuring arias, art songs, and musical theatre selections featuring Margaret McMurray (soprano) and Daniel Weisman (tenor).

Saturday, Dec. 16, 8pm

"Sisters II" featuring Atlanta's Hamm sisters. Talented siblings Theresa (soprano) and Valerie (mezzo-soprano) will present a program of duets and arias, and seasonal favorites.



Northwest Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship

Making Disciples • Making Friends • Making a Difference

September 17, 2017

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00AM

*Let the people on entering God's house, be reverent in silence, fervent in prayer,
heartily in praise and expectant of the Spirit.*



Please silence cell phones and electronic devices at this time.

PRELUDE

“Praeludium in F”

J.S. Bach

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT “Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation”

GREETING

Rev. Dr. Tim Boggess

One: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

One: In life and in death, we belong to God.

All: **Christ is Lord of all.**

One: Let us worship God.

* HYMN OF PRAISE 12

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*)

Rev. Laura Jernigan

Forgiving God, we confess that forgiving others is not something we do very well, or very willingly. We do not forgive our debtors as we pray you will forgive our debts. Instead, we are good at holding grudges and kindling the fire of our anger. What we fail to realize is that the only person we are truly hurting is ourselves. Help us to seek to forgive others as we have been forgiven by you. Help us to experience the freedom that comes not only from receiving grace, but also in giving it.

A time of quiet, personal confession.

In your mercy, Lord, hear our prayer, and forgive us.
Amen.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:
All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* SUNG RESPONSE

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

You are invited to share words and signs of greeting and reconciliation.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

✠ Children K4-2nd grade are invited to depart for *Young Children and Worship*.

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Unison*)

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

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “God of Great and God of Small” arr. Natalie Sleeth
Jordan Hunter, Valerie Hamm, Daniel Weisman and Margaret McMurray

SUNG RESPONSE

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN OF PREPARATION 172

“Blest Are They”

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 18:21-35

Pew Bible, pg. 20 NT

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

“The One Thing God Won’t Forgive”

Rev. Dr. Tim Boggess

* HYMN OF SERVICE 754

“Help Us Accept Each Other”

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“We Are the Family of God”

Jon Byron

* POSTLUDE

“Fugue in F”

J.S. Bach

* *All who are able are asked to stand.*

✠ *Children K4-2nd grade are invited to attend Summer in the Sun. Children will be returned to the Gathering Area of the Family Life Center at the conclusion of the service.*

*The Sanctuary flowers are given by Jim and Nancy Soteres to the glory of God
and in honor of the birthday of Hunter Bryce Burnett on September 4.*

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, **we welcome you to Northwest**, with the hope that this service of worship will be for you an experience of real communion with God and God's children. If you have not found a church home in Atlanta, we hope you will consider joining with us in worship, study, fellowship, and service. There is a place for you here in which you can both give and receive. ***Come join us!***

The Ministers

Members of Northwest Presbyterian Congregation

The Session

Class of 2018

Heather McCloskey, **E**
Kaye Mulkeen, **F***
Henry Quillian, **O**
Sandy Simonds, **C***
Jeff Upchurch, **P**
Ann Vining, **C**

Class of 2019

Lisa Bacorn, **F**
Dan Laney, **S***
George Hauptfuhrer, **W**
Anne McClatchey, **F**
Steven Pohl, **P**
Dick Wilbanks, **S**

Class of 2020

Louis Bridges, **E**
Peggy Lang, **O**
Barbara Llewellyn, **O**
Bill Matthews, **W**
Rachel Stryffeler, **E**
Craig Woodward, **P**

C= Congregational Care
E= Education
F= Fellowship

O= Outreach
P= Worship
S= Stewardship

W= Witness
*****= Team Leader

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Timothy T. Boggess
Clerk: Nancy McDaniel
Treasurer: Karen Taylor

The Staff

Rev. Dr. Timothy T. Boggess, Pastor
Rev. Laura Jernigan, Associate Pastor
Amanda Burns, Director of Youth Ministries
Dr. James J. Kohler, Director of Music Ministries
Mauro Ronca, Organist
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