

## NRPC NEWS and EVENTS

**Birthdays:** Sandra Holt, 5/14; Dick Christensen, 5/17; Lauren Fleming, 5/18; Fred Krauss, 5/18; Collin Dail, 5/19; Chuck Nicotera, 5/21

**Anniversaries:** Meredith and Mike Goodin, 5/15; Glenn and Kim Stall, 5/21  
Larry and Pat Bidwell celebrate 62 years of marriage today. Congratulations!

**NRPC Softball:** Come support the NRPC Softball League tomorrow night at Bayleaf Baptist Church at 6:30 pm. We will be playing against Bayleaf.

**Vacation Bible School:** Ready to travel back in time? Join us June 16 -18 in Rome for 2017 VBS! We need the talents of both adults and youth to create Bible-themed craft projects, lead high-energy games, perform exciting real-life dramas, and plan tasty snacks and meals for our Roman explorers. Sign up to help at the link sent in the E-News, or contact Megan Livengood (meganlivengood@yahoo.com) or Briony Voorhees (bwvoorhees@gmail.com). Registration for participants coming soon!

**Nifty Sixties:** The Nifty Sixties Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, May 17 at Imperial Garden Chinese Restaurant on Lead Mine & Saw Mill Road in the Greystone Village Shopping Center. The group will meet at 11:30. Please contact Pat Bidwell at (919)846-8949 by Monday, May 15 if you plan to attend. All Sixties and over are invited to socialize and meet new people.

**Graduating Students:** If you have a child graduating from college this May, please contact the office so we can honor them at the Recognition of Seniors on June 4. Email office@nrleighpc.org to let the office know.

**Teacher Appreciation:** All are invited to a Teacher Appreciation breakfast during the Sunday School hour on Sunday May 21 in the FMB. In place of Sunday School, there will be a breakfast to gather and honor the teachers in our congregation.

**Fellowship With Books:** Fellowship with Books will meet on Monday, May 22 (note date change) at 6:30 at the home of Debbi Freer, 8309 North Creek Run. The book for discussion is "The Widow" by Fiona Barton. Ladies of the church are welcome to join in for lively conversation and warm fellowship. The selection for June is "Where'd You Go, Bernadette?" by Maria Semple.

**Church Picnic:** Make plans to attend worship and the annual church picnic on Sunday, June 4. Not only is this Sunday Pentecost, but this Sunday will include recognition of graduates (high school, college, graduate) during worship. Following worship will be the annual all church picnic which celebrates a wonderful church year and the informal beginning of summer. The picnic will include barbequed chicken (cooked on site!) and the delicious cooking of the NRPC congregation. Fun and games for ALL ages will highlight what will be a special time to gather with friends and family before the busy summer vacation season begins. Take note: there will be water games and activities for the children so please bring towels, and appropriate attire for enjoying the activities and as well afterwards. Mark your calendar for this special day at NRPC—wear your casual clothes (don't forget to wear red for Pentecost) to church, bring a dish (details by last name forthcoming) and enjoy CELEBRATION SUNDAY, JUNE 4!

### **Join the Outreach Team!**

If you are interested in putting your faith into action, please come to the next Outreach Team meeting on Tuesday, May 16 at 7 pm in the FMB. For questions, contact Jeff Hedgepeth at jeff.hedgepeth@gmail.com.

## **This Week at NRPC**

Worship, 10:30 am

Sunday School, 9:15 am

Staff Meeting, Monday, 11:00 am

Adult Bells, Tuesday, 7:00 pm

Outreach Meeting, Tuesday, 7:00 pm

Nifty Sixties Plus, Wednesday, 11:30 am

Adult Choir, Wednesday, 7:00 pm

ALTA, Thursday, 9:30 am

Administration Team Meeting, Thursday, 6:30 pm

Men's Bible Study, Friday, 7:15 am

### **Outreach Corner:**

#### **Family Promise with Windborne UMC:**

NRPC has been invited to help families who are experiencing homelessness by supporting Windborne United Methodist Church's host week, June 4 – June 10 with Family Promise (formerly Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network, WIHN). Currently 37 Wake County churches, and 21 support churches, provide emergency shelter to homeless families by providing dinner, hospitality, overnight accommodations and breakfast. Six families will be staying at Windborne UMC, at the corner of Six Forks Rd and Baileywick Rd, and most of them are transported via a van from the Family Promise Day Center on Method Rd (near NC State). Please join us in providing shelter and food! Sign up or ask questions by contacting Margaret Albert (margaretalbert@gmail.com, 919-623-0166).

#### Ways to help:

Friday, June 9

1. Prepare food and bring to NRPC by 5:30 pm (feed 30 people)
2. Serve dinner and offer hospitality from 6 - 8:30 pm, all ages welcome! (Limit is 2 families or a total of 6 people). Take food from NRPC and serve dinner at Windborne UMC, stay and play games with the children or hang out with the families to provide hospitality.

June 5 - 11

1. Be a van driver

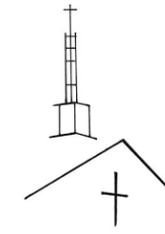
Please pick shifts from June 4 – 10. Shifts are 7:15 – 8:15 am (to drop off at Center) and 5 – 6 pm (to pick up from Center). People experienced with driving 15-passenger van preferred. Contact Margaret Albert for details.

2. Offer hospitality at Windborne UMC from 6 pm – 8:30 pm

Limit is 2 adults (or one youth and parent) may join the Windborne volunteers to serve and clean up dinner, play games with the children and provide hospitality to the families during the evening.

#### **Habitat Home Preservation:**

Join us on Friday, June 23 and/or Saturday, June 24 to do exterior home repairs for Habitat Home Preservation. We work from 8:45 am - 3:30 pm each day. Ages 14 and older are welcome, and no experience is necessary! We will do painting, siding and deck or porch work, landscaping. Questions? Contact Bob Lippard at boblippard@gmail.com. All volunteers must sign up at <http://vhub.at/northraleighpresbyterian>. The link to sign up can be found in the Friday News.



# North Raleigh Presbyterian Church

May 14, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Easter

11905 Strickland Rd

Raleigh, NC 27613

919-848-9529



### **We extend a warm welcome to our guests!**

We are blessed that you are worshipping with us. Please visit our guest table for a small gift of welcome from the people of North Raleigh Presbyterian Church.

Childcare is available in the nursery located in the Faith Ministries Building.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please sign the Friendship Pad located near the aisle. Pass it down the pew so all may sign in. The Friendship Pad contains Prayer Cards and information.*

## PRELUDE “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” (Hymn 172) Dale Wood

*Use the time during the prelude to quiet your soul and prepare yourself to meet God in worship*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, people of God!

**People: Take refuge in the Lord.**

Leader: God listens when we cry out.

**People: God rescues us when we call.**

Leader: God leads and guides us according to his unfailing love.

**People: O God, you are our God; our lives are in your hands.**

**ALL: Let us worship God together!**

## \*HYMN 417 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION

*(Please observe a moment of silent confession.)*

## \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty and eternal God, our hearts are troubled. We are so quick to throw stones at others, blaming someone else for our unhappiness. We don't act like your chosen people, those who have seen and heard and tasted the good news of your love. Forgive us our lack of enthusiasm in our faith. Let our actions speak for us as we seek to be your witnesses to all the world. Remind us once again that we are your people: loved, cared for, and forgiven by you. In the name of the living Christ, our strength and our redeemer. Amen.**

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news of God's promise: I will pour out my spirit on all flesh. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## \*THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you!**

Leader: I invite you to pass the peace with your neighbor.

## \*RESPONSE OF PRAISE 123 Jesus Christ is Risen Today (v4)

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!**

**Praise eternal as God's love, Alleluia!**

**Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!**

**Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!**

## MINUTE FOR MISSION

**FIRST READING** 1 Peter 2:2-10

**ANTHEM** Dona Nobis Pacem

## SHARING THE FAITH WITH OUR CHILDREN

**SECOND READING** John 14: 1-14

**SERMON** It's All About Relationship

**\*HYMN 442** The Church's One Foundation

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** 1 Peter 2:21-25

**Christ suffered for us, leaving us an example, so that we should follow in his steps. “He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.” When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For we were going astray like sheep, but now we have returned to the shepherd and guardian of our souls.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### 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.**

**OFFERTORY** “The King Of Love My Shepherd Is” Dale Wood

## \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow**

**Praise God all creatures here below**

**O praise Him! Alleluia!**

**Praise God above ye heavenly host**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost**

**O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*HYMN 430** Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

## \*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

**POSTLUDE** Improvisation on PISGAH Dale Wood

*Use the time during the postlude to reflect on the service and prepare yourself to take God with you as you leave worship*

## THE BELLS OF THE TRINITY

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\*All who are able, please stand.

Please silence all electronic devices.

*The mission of North Raleigh Presbyterian Church is to be a welcoming community serving Jesus Christ through engaged discipleship.*

All are invited to a reception to welcome Brandon Melton, DCE, in the Faith Ministries Building immediately following worship today.

## OUR LEADERSHIP FOR TODAY

Pastor: Susan Sexton

Liturgist: Janet Livengood

Acolyte: Skylar Sarver

Director of Music: Terri Nicotera

Organist: James Good

Sound Technician: Chuck Nicotera

Prayer Deacon: Candy Tedrick

Elder in Charge: Carolyn Drum

Children's Church: Maggie Barlow

Youth Helper: Janie Chamberlin