



# North Raleigh Presbyterian Church

Fifth Sunday of Lent  
March 17, 2024

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*a congregation of the PC(USA)*



## Our Calling

What is our charge?

*Our charge is to create the church Jesus expects.*

How do we live?

*We live to become more like Jesus,  
bringing faith and life together.*

Who are we?

*We are a community where all people  
can take root in love and grow in service.*

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*Rooted in Love. Growing in Service.*

# GATHERING

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please find the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew so all may sign.*

*Please note Nursery is available in the Faith Ministries Building.*

## PRELUDE

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us* Townend/Bettcher

ADULT BELLS

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 89:1-4

One: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, for ever;

All: with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

One: I declare that your steadfast love is established for ever;

All: your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

One: You, O God, said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one."

All: God has said, "I have sworn to my servant David:

'I will establish your descendants for ever,  
and build your throne for all generations.' "

One: Let us worship God!

## \*HYMN 81

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

AUSTRIAN HYMN

## \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Following the Call to Confession please observe a moment of silent confession.*

Through the season of Lent, O God, we have prayed for clean hearts and right spirits. Forgive us when we have prayed with our words but failed to pray with our actions. Forgive us when we have contributed to the suffering of another; forgive us when we have failed to lighten a neighbor's burden. Forgive us, O God, and wash us in your mercy. Forgive us, O God, and free us to begin again. Amen.

## **\*DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS**

One: Friends, In the name of Jesus Christ,  
we are loved and accepted, forgiven and freed.

All: Thanks be to God.

## **\*THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

One: Please share the peace with the people around you.

## **\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE HYMN 626 *As the Deer***

AS THE DEER

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.

You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

You alone are my strength, my shield;

to you alone may my spirit yield.

You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

## **P R O C L A I M I N G**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Jeremiah 30:18-22

**ANTHEM**

*The Promise*

William/Martin

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

1 Peter 2:4-10

**SHARING THE FAITH WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH**

*Children Pre-K - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade may attend Children's Church during the sermon.*

**SERMON**

*Covenant*

**\*HYMN 214**

*You Are My Refuge, Faithful God*

MORNING SONG

## RESPONDING

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Apostles' Creed, Glory to God p. 35*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

*Delay Not, O Sinner Draw Near*

Haan

### \*DOXOLOGY 711 v. 1

*Lord of All Good*

TOULON

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you;  
use them your holy purpose to fulfill,  
tokens of love and pledges brought anew,  
that our whole life is offered to your will.

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## SENDING

### \*HYMN 51

*To Abraham and Sarah*

LLANFYLLIN

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Whitworth

# CHIMING OF THE TRINITY



Confession adapted from *Call to Worship*

## Leading and supporting worship today:

**Preacher:** Lisa Hebacker

**Liturgist:** Brandon Melton, Ellen Yamrick

**Chancel Guild:** Lori Fisher

**Counters:** Rick Bell, Fred Fuller

**Nursery:** Fran Lawrence, Megan Livengood

**SRT:** John McKinney

**Director of Music:** Terri Nicotera

**Organist:** Holly Donato

**Acolyte:** Zachary Heater

**Children's Church:** Karen Fink

**EIC:** Debbi Freer

## WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We are glad that you are worshipping with us. A few things to know:

- God's children of all ages are welcome in worship. If your child would be more comfortable in the nursery, childcare is available in the Faith Ministries Building, located behind the Sanctuary.
- Hymn numbers refer to our hymnal, *Glory to God*, the purple book located in the pew rack. Blue pew Bibles are also available for your use.
- **Bold type** in this bulletin indicates all are invited to speak the corresponding words.
- If you would like to have an NRPC nametag, email [office@nrleighpc.org](mailto:office@nrleighpc.org).
- New members join by transfer, reaffirmation or profession several times each year. The next new member joining date is Sunday, April 7.

# NRPC NEWS AND EVENTS

**Anniversaries:** George and Margaret Spransy 3/20, Roger and Stacy Askew 3/22, Roger and Leigh Anne Carter 3/23

**Birthdays:** Lillian Geise 3/17, Amanda Heater 3/17, Andrew Lawrence 3/18, Matthew Lawrence 3/18, Renee Sarver 3/18, Gina Antoun 3/19, Adrian Chamberlin 3/20, Mike Antoun 3/22, Fran Lawrence 3/23

**RSVP for Faith Formation:** Do you want to RSVP for Easter breakfast and the Egg Hunt, The Gathering, or Parent's Night Out? Use this QR code to RSVP for these and more. You can also find the link in the Friday News or on the CE page on our website.



**March Madness:** It's that time of year again and we will once again be collecting grocery items for North Raleigh Ministries food pantry. See the Friday News for more information.

**Nifty Sixties:** Our next Nifty Sixties get together is Thursday, March 21 at 11:30 a.m. RSVPs by Monday, March 18 are appreciated to Kim Stall at (kimberlyjostall@gmail.com or 919-219-1553).

**Meet Your Deacon, Sunday, March 24 at 11:30 am:** Join us after worship for cookies and refreshments in the Faith Ministries Building to get to know your Deacon face-to-face. Share photos and fun facts about you and your family with someone who cares about your welfare and prays for you.

**Seeking a Prayer Coordinator:** NRPC's prayer life is thriving, throughout our worship services, small groups, and our weekly Prayer Ministry email. To continue this connection with one another and sustain our prayers for each other's welfare, it is time to designate a former deacon as Prayer Coordinator for a 2-year term. For questions or to submit your interest, please see the information in the Friday News or contact Margaret Albert at margaretcabert@gmail.com.

**One Great Hour of Sharing offering** is a PC(USA) offering that supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Fund, and Self Development of People. We will dedicate our One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Easter.

**The NRPC Ladies Spring Retreat** is April 5-7 at the North Topsail Beach home of Janet and Keith Livengood. *"It's all about that Grace"* is the theme for the weekend. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by March 20 to Janet Livengood at janetblivengood77@gmail.com or 919-624-1195.

**Pop-Up Tents:** Did you loan a Pop-Up Tent to the Yard Sale Team? If so, please reclaim your tent as soon as possible. They are located near Trailer 5.

## THIS WEEK AT NRPC

Sunday 3/17	9:00 AM	Cornerstone Class (F, Z)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service (S, Y)
	11:30 AM	Orchestra Rehearsal (S)
	3:30 PM	Pioneer Class (F)
	5:00 PM	Drum Circle (S)
Monday 3/18	6:30 PM	Deacon's Meeting (F)
Tuesday 3/19	4:00 PM	Worship Committee (Z)
	5:00 PM	Bethel Church (F)
	6:30 PM	Adult Bells (S)
Wednesday 3/20	10:00 AM	Staff Meeting (F)
	5:45 PM	The Gathering (F)
Thursday 3/21	9:15 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study (F)
	11:30 AM	Nifty Sixties (F)
Friday 3/22	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study (Z)
Saturday 3/23	8:30 AM	Habitat Wake Construction Workday (OFF)
Sunday 3/24	9:00 AM	Cornerstone Class (F, Z)
Palm Passion Sunday	10:30 AM	Worship Service (S, Y)
	11:30 AM	Meet Your Deacon (F)
	3:30 PM	Pioneer Class (F)

Legend: A=Admin F= Faith Ministries Building  
Y= You Tube S=Sanctuary N=Narthex Z=Zoom O=Outdoors OFF=Offsite

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