

GATHERING

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting

The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

(Please see the back page for additional announcements.)

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

Organ Voluntary "Improvisation No. 1"

*Responsive Call to Worship:

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

God's mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning.

"The Lord is my portion," says my soul.

Therefore we will hope in God.

Holy is the Lord God.

And greatly to be praised!

Let us worship God.

*Hymn #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

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*Call to Confession and Unison Prayer of Confession

God of mercy the Lenten journey opens before us and still we are reluctant to go. Paths of meaningful prayer are seldom taken. The invitation to deny ourselves is rarely accepted. The cross lies on the ground and we have not taken it up. You say, "follow Me," and we make our excuses. In Your great mercy remember that we are but dust. In Your compassion breathe Your life into us once again. Do not leave us at the mercy of life's lesser things when so great a hope has been placed before us. Please walk beside us and hear the silent confession our hearts long to make...

-Silent Personal Prayer-

*Kyrie

Musical notation for Kyrie with lyrics: Lord, have mercy up on us, Christ have mercy up on us, Lord, have mercy up on us.

*Assurance of Pardon:

Behold, the dwelling of God is with men and women. God will wipe away every tear from their eyes and death shall be no more.

Neither shall there be mourning, nor crying nor pain any more - for the former things have passed away.

And the One who sat upon the throne said: "Behold I make all things new."

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri

Musical notation for Gloria Patri with lyrics: Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson Joshua 24: 14-16

(O.T. p. 216)

The Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Time with Young Disciples (11:00)

(Children who are kindergarten age or younger are invited to go to extended care with Cynthia Petty.)

Gospel Reading

Luke 4:1-13

(N. T. p. 61)

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Communion Meditation

Pastor Heppenstall

"Defining Moments"

Text: "If you are..." Luke 4:3

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn #544 "Bless the Lord"

BLESS THE LORD (The hymn will be repeated - please follow the leadership of our Music Director.)

*Affirmation of Faith

(From Philipians 2)

"Christ Jesus, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form He humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen."

Sharing Joys and Concerns

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Invitation to Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Great Thanksgiving, Sanctus and the Lord's Prayer

Musical notation for Great Thanksgiving, Sanctus and the Lord's Prayer with lyrics: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, Bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Music During Communion "The Lamb"

Bryan Page

Passing the Peace and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offering

Offertory

"Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen"

8:30

Tim Jernigan, bass

arr. H.T. Burleigh

11:00

arr. William Bradley Roberts

*Doxology

Musical notation for Doxology with lyrics: Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Christ, all peo-ple here be - low; Praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more - One ho - ly God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn #307 "God of Grace and God of Glory" CWM RHONDDA

SENDING

*Charge and Benediction

Go out into God's world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return to no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the suffering; honor all persons; love and serve the Lord,

(Many people at Northridge prefer to be seated to listen to the Closing Voluntary.)

If you need to leave, please do so quietly. Thank you, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Closing Voluntary "Improvisation No. 2"

THE LENTEN SEASON AT NORTHRIDGE

Lenten Book Study: The Sacred Journey by Frederick Buechner

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT NORTHRIDGE CHURCH!

Welcome to worship at Northridge! We are blessed by your presence with us and pray that in a deep and abiding way the power and presence of the living God will touch your life as you are with us this morning. The Northridge sanctuary is a place set apart for Christian Worship. Please take a moment to turn off cell phones and pagers. Once the hour has been chimed we ask you to bring your conversations to a close and quietly seek God's presence.

PRAYING TOGETHER AT NORTHRIDGE:

If you are aware of anyone who is hospitalized or is in need of special care from our pastors or lay leaders, please let the Northridge office know.

In addition to our Shared Joys and Concerns please pray for:

Areas of Ministry: Youth Search Team.

Local Missions: Seeds of Hope Community Garden.

Presbyterians in National Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:

We practice open communion at Northridge. All Christians are invited to participate in the Lord's Supper, regardless of your church affiliation. We also invite children who have been baptized, but not yet confirmed, and who have the permission of their parents. After we partake of the elements, we "pass the peace" throughout the congregation: a handshake to the person next to you, and the words,

"The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you."

The recipient replies, "And also with you."

At the 8:30 service worshipers will come forward to receive the sacrament, beginning with the front pews. The cup has grape juice in it, not wine, and gluten-free bread is in a small paper wrapper at the center of each plate. At the 11:00 service the elements will be passed in your pew.

THIS WEEK AT NORTHRIDGE:

Sunday, March 10th

12:15 pm Northridge Survey in Quillin Hall

Monday, March 11th

1:30 pm Joyful Noise - CC Young

Tuesday, March 12th

7:30 am Bible Study in Quillin Hall

1:30 pm Staff Meeting in the Church Office

6:00 pm Youth Sub Committee meets in the Narthex

7:00 pm Committee Night - Gather in the Sanctuary

Wednesday, March 13th

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 14th

10:00 am NOAH meets in Quillin Hall

7:15 pm Lenten Book Study at the Home of Lee and Bryan Jones

Friday, March 15th

5:15 pm Northridge Volunteers serve Dinner at The Bridge

Next Sunday, March 17th

8:30 and 11 am Worship

Pastor Heppenstall will Preach:

Luke Through Lent Part 2: "What the Lamb Told the Fox"

Text: "Go and tell that fox for me..." Luke 13:32

IF YOU ARE SEARCHING FOR A NEW CHURCH HOME:

Welcome! Please learn more about the mission and ministry of Northridge by:

- Writing your name, address and phone number in the **Friendship Pad**.
- Speaking with a Pastor or any member of the congregation.

7-8 pm on Thursdays-March 7, 14, 21, & 28 Location: Home of Bryan & Lee

Jones - 4502 Santa Barbara, 75214

This memoir is an exploration of the way in which each of us can experience the voice of God. What does it truly mean to say that God speaks to us? Is there some purpose to be found in our individual histories? Join us!

Preaching Series: Luke Through Lent

Luke Through Lent: a series of sermons based upon our Lectionary (year C) readings. If you would like to delve deeper into the text each week before the sermon we invite you to come to the Tuesday morning Bible study with Pastor Bob at 7:30 in Quillin Hall.

Special Worship Services:

We hope you will join us for:

April 18th Maundy Thursday –

6:00pm Simple Soup Supper in Quillin Hall

7:30 pm Communion and Tenebrae Service.

April 19th Good Friday –

7:30 – Rutter's Requiem in the Sanctuary.

April 21st Easter Sunday - Choir at both services.

For Children and Families: We hope you enjoy your "Lenten Bags!"

Serving Others this Lent: Sign up for Seeds of Hope Garden Workday on March 23rd at McShan Elementary School.

SERVING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING:

We welcome our guest organist, John Tatarinoff.

The Layreaders are Sue Young at 8:30 and Don Zentmeyer at 11:00.

Our Ushers are: Jerry Alexander and Peter Bratt at 8:30 and Tom and Mason Ellis, Laura Coomber and Doug Bissel at 11 am.

Serving Communion at 8:30 are: Sue Young, Becca Rooney, Susan Roe and Tim Jernigan. Serving at 11:00 are Kathy and Monty Watson, Margaret Etheredge, Bob Brimer, Mike Sherman, Ray Chavez, Sherri and Jack Munn.

SERVING CHRIST AND YOU AT NORTHRIDGE

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THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 10, 2019



PERSONAL PREPARATION

Holy God, we stand at the beginning of a new journey and a new season. The Lenten road opens before us and it leads into a wilderness time we would not choose for ourselves. Prepare us to walk where Jesus walked and wherever He is walking still. Our time in life passes by so quickly – do not let it pass unfulfilled. Our hopes and dreams rush at us each morning demanding our day—help us to live into the kingdom that Christ proclaimed. Prepare our hearts to enter both Your sanctuary and Your sacred season with honesty, humility and praise. Amen.

OUR MISSION

Northridge Presbyterian Church responds to God's grace as revealed in Holy Scripture and in the living example of Jesus Christ. Through worship, teaching, service, and fellowship we demonstrate the good news of the Bible and minister to the spiritual and physical needs of others. We recognize a responsibility beyond ourselves to live and serve with love, and to seek peace and justice in God's world.