

11:00 A.M. Worship

GATHERING

We gather in response to God's Call, offering praise in scripture, prayer and song. We acknowledge our sinfulness, receive the declaration of God's forgiveness, and share the peace of Christ with each other.

WELCOME

MOMENT FOR MISSION Family Promise

PRELUDE

INTROIT "O Lord, Hear My Pleading" D. Buxtehude

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pilgrims, we are invited to journey through this season of Lent

towards the One who calls us each by a new name.

Disciples, we walk with Jesus wherever he leads us, pulling our fears, our doubts, our longings behind us.

Believers, we seek to trust the God who always surprises us,

whose promises take on flesh and blood in the good news called Jesus.

*HYMN #49 "The God of Abraham Praise"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Covenant-making God, you call us by name, transforming our past into your future. We confess that sometimes we laugh at your call, believing it to be impossible. We protest, insisting that you should conform to our way. We ignore your voice, refusing to admit to any one what we have heard, instead going about our lives as if we heard nothing. Forgive us, O God, and speak our names once again. Change our hearts and our lives, until we are able to trust your promise. We pray in the name of the One whose name is above all names, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS #441 - v.1

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us, let us forgive one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

THE WORD

God's Word is read and its message is proclaimed in scripture, music and interpretation.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Take Up Your Cross" A. Giamanco

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 8: 31-38

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SERMON

"COVENANT PEOPLE: ABRAM"

The Rev. Katy Walters

HYMN #223 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

RESPONDING TO GOD

We respond to the proclamation of God's Word with expressions of faith and commitment, offering prayers and our gifts to God.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

Offertory

*Doxology Response of Praise #708 - v.1

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

We are sent forth with God's blessing to serve.

*HYMN #39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand, as you are able.

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The Sanctuary Flowers for this week have been given by Anne and Charlie Felts celebrating their 42nd Anniversary.

Worship Leader: Betsy McKean

STEWARDSHIP IS ...

taking up the cross and following Jesus.

PRAYERS FOR...

- + Sympathy to Bill and Holly Sims in the loss of Holly's mother, Gail Powell
- + Sympathy to Carol and Bob Reed in the loss of her brother, Mickey Mitchell
- + Naomi Cammack - At Kirkwood (Gay Dawson's sister)
- + Pat Turner - at Memory Care of New Braunfels
- + Esther Bishop - breast cancer (Gay Dawson's sister)
- + Shirley Brooks - at Kirkwood
- + Mil Duhon - at home
- + Virginia Autry Buddy Beck
- + Betsy Beekly Susan Bell
- + Hollye Cunningham Hal Fessler
- + Sylvia Foran Julia George
- + Sharon Jebens Lois Johnson
- + Bob Nolen Lucy Stephens
- + Virginia Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING DURING LENT: Pick up a fish bank to fill with your offering.

On **February 27**, we will gather at McAdoo's for our **LADIES NIGHT OUT** at 6:00 PM. Sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex, looking forward to a good time.

The **DORCAS CIRCLE** will meet on **February 27** at 1:30 PM. There has been a change in plans, so just bring your scissors and come to join us with our project.

All are welcome to join us for our **FOOD AND FUN FELLOWSHIP NIGHT** happening Wed., **February 28** at 5:30 PM. We'll be serving a delicious meal of spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, and of course, dessert! Our fun will be a "Church Safety Scavenger Hunt" fit for all ages! Want a head start before the fun this week? Here's a question from the hunt: how many toilets does NBPC have?

Volunteers are needed for our quarterly **ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY** trash pickup on Saturday, **March 3**, at 10 am in the NBHS parking lot. Bring work gloves and water.

Come join the **LUNCH BUNCH** on Tuesday, **March 6** at 12:30 PM at Clear Springs Restaurant. A sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

The **MENS DEVOTIONAL BREAKFAST** is Friday **March 9** in the Activity Center. Cooks are Jim Pope, Charlie Jacobs and Davis Hensley. The devotion is the WWII story of the Blitzkrieg. The sign up sheet is posted in the credenza

WANTED-EASTER CARDS!! Dorcas Circle is gathering Easter cards to be shared with Meals on Wheels recipients. A card collection basket will be in the church narthex through Monday, **March 12th**. Please bring Easter cards, either unsigned or signed--(if signed, please include "Easter Blessings from New Braunfels Presbyterian Church").

The **TEXAS LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY CHOIR** will present a concert at 7:00 PM on **April 6** in our Sanctuary. Call the church for childcare arrangements.

KIDS NIGHT OUT is **April 6** in the Activity Center.

KID'S FEST is **April 7** at the Comal County Fair Grounds, NBPC is hosting a booth and will need volunteers to work at the booth. Contact Rev. Katy to help.

Worship Attendance

February 25, 2018

Please remember to print legibly.
Thank you.

Member (s) # _____

First-time Guest (s) # _____

Reg. Guest (s) # _____

Last Name: _____

First Name (s): _____

Children Attending (Name & Age): _____

Please Complete This Section if 1st Time Guest or Regular Guest or Member with Change of Information:

Address: _____

City & Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

E-mail: _____

_____ Would like my e-mail on the church mailing list.

_____ Would like more information about NBPC.

_____ Interested in joining NBPC.

New Braunfels Presbyterian Staff

Senior Pastor.....Rev. Scott Nowack

Associate Pastor for

Christian Education.....Rev. Katy Walters

Director of Kid's Day Out....Suzy Wilkinson

Administrative Assistant....Lynda Jackson

Treasurer.....Rosanne Stockhorst

Director of Music &

Handbell Choir.....Betsy Hankins

Praise Team Leader &

Organist.....Daniel Wyman

Projection Technician.....Ashley Koepp

Maintenance/Handyman.....Kevin Doran

Pastor Emeritus..... Rev. Kenneth Peters

Prayer Request Card

"I urge, then, first of all, that requests, PRAYERS, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone..."
1 Timothy 2:1 (NIV)

Your Name _____

I would like my prayer:

Please select one. If none is checked your prayer will remain confidential.

To be shared with the congregation

Included in Confidential Covenant Concerns - to be given to the Prayer Chain.

Kept confidential, to be given only to the Pastoral team for private prayer

Type of Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer for Healing

Special Request

Prayer Request _____

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, February 26

9:30 AM Continuing Ed.- Stephen Ministry
10:30 AM Stephen Ministry Supervision
2:00 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, February 27

9:15 AM KDO Chapel
1:30 PM Dorcas Circle
6:00 PM Ladies Night Out
6:00 PM Stephen Ministry Class

Wednesday, February 28

10:00 AM Disciple I Bible Study
10:00 AM Psalms Bible Study
1:30 PM Staff Meeting
5:30 PM Family Fun Fellowship
6:00 PM Praise Band Rehearsal
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 1

10:00 AM Facilities Committee
11:00 AM Membership Committee
2:00 PM Pickleball
5:30 PM Bell Choir Practice
6:00 PM Pickleball

Friday, March 2

Presbytery Meeting - Austin
11:30 AM Long Range Planning Committee
12:00 PM St. John's Happeners in Service

Saturday, March 3

Presbytery Meeting - Austin
8:00 AM St. John's Happeners in Service
10:00 AM Adopt-a-Highway Clean Up

Sunday, March 4

9:00 AM Worship with Praise Band
10:00 AM Christian Education
11:00 AM Worship with Choir & Organ
1:00 PM St. John's Happeners in Service
7:00 PM Girl Scout Team Meeting

4TH ANNUAL FAMILY PROMISE BED RACE

Saturday, April 14

To sponsor the New Braunfels Presbyterian Church Team go to www.nbbedrace.com, click Team Registration, then click on New Braunfels Presbyterian, then click on Make a Donation. If you would like to donate off line, please make checks payable to "Family Promise-GNB" with "Bed Race" on the memo line. You may submit checks to Charlie Jacobs or to the church office. Please contact Charlie Jacobs at jaglover6864@yahoo.com or (713) 732-1250 for more information about the race and to learn how you can participate as a builder, decorator, racer or fundraiser. Thank you for your support



9:00 A.M. Worship

WELCOME

CELEBRATING OUR LORD OUR GOD

"Indescribable"
"At The Cross"
"Come Thou Font/I will Sing"

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SCRIPTURE LESSONS Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16
Mark 8: 31-38

SERMON

"COVENANT PEOPLE: ABRAM"
Pastor Katy Walters

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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MOMENT FOR MISSION FAMILY PROMISE

WE OFFER THANKS

"Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone"

BENEDICTION

GOING OUT INTO THE WORLD

"Indescribable"

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Worship Leaders:

Rev. Scott Nowack, Rev. Katy Walters, Betsy McKean
Betsy Hankins, Director of Music,
Daniel Wyman, Organist and Praise Team Leader,
Rene Gonzales (drums), Mason Standley (Guitar),
Michael Hardwick (Guitar), Dennis Dragan (Bass),
Bryan Carr (vocals), the NBPC Choir.

Ushers/Greeters: Michael and Debbie Meek
Dave Wright, Madge Bayston, Betty Worl, Greg Sears.

2ND SUNDAY IN LENT

**GOD HAS NOT
IGNORED OR BELITTLED
THE SUFFERING
OF THE BROKEN ONES.
GOD HAS NOT TURNED
HIS BACK ON THEM,
BUT HAS LISTENED
TO THEIR CRIES
FOR HELP**

PSALM 22

February 25, 2018

Our Mission, Our Ministry

"Through the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, the mission of New Braunfels Presbyterian Church is to call and equip disciples to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through thought, word, and deed."

For Our Guests

Welcome to all! We are very blessed to have you in worship today and hope you feel God's presence in this place!

Fellowship: Enjoy coffee and tea in the Narthex before the service. Ushers are available if you have any questions regarding our campus or service. **Children's Busy Bags & Hearing Enhancement Devices** are available in the Narthex.

Childcare is available for children 4 and under for the entire service. Children are always welcome in our sanctuary, but if the need arises, a cry room is available in the Library during all services. We also have a "Prayground" in the Sanctuary for children to experience worship in a new way.



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Stephen Ministers provide a one-to-one confidential, caring ministry. They are trained lay members of NBPC who help others in times of crisis such as coping with the death of a friend or family member, illness, job loss, depression, or simply a challenge in life. If you would like to speak with a Stephen Minister, please complete the following:

Name: _____

Contact #: _____