

NEWS FROM NORTHAMPTON

Northampton Presbyterian Church
539 Buck Road, Holland, PA 18966

SEPTEMBER 2024



KEEP READING FOR...

- **Perkasie Park Outdoor
Worship Service & Picnic
(9/1)**
- **Blessing of the Animals
Service (9/28)**
- **Mission Fest (10/6)**
- **Presbybop Jazz Quintet
Concert (10/20)**

Livestream Information:

All "livestreamed" messages are broadcasted from our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/northamptonpresby

Sunday Worship Services are additionally posted on our website: www.northamptonpresby.com/sermon-videos

A Word from the Pastor

By: *The Rev. Judith A. Dwyer*

We have been undergoing a season of change here at NPC this summer! Change is God's way of preparing us for whatever is around the bend, which I am happy to say includes cooler weather and the beauty of leaves in all their autumn glory.

While no one could have prepared us for the many staff changes this season has brought with it, we wish Melissa every good gift from God as she continues her life's journey. To say we will miss her is so much of an understatement that I can't even put it in writing! Know that, even now, plans are underway to welcome a new Office Administrator to the office, one who will bring different and wonderful gifts of their own to the tasks at hand.

Please also extend your thanks to our handyman, Fred Cipriano. Fred arrived over the summer to renovate existing space to receive Megan Moskovitz, the preschool's new Administrative Assistant. Stop by and say hi to Megan in her new office as you enter the building!



In addition to personnel changes crucial for supporting the life and work of NPC, we have been hard at work on our 60th anniversary offerings and special programs. Look for more information about all of these exciting opportunities!

Perhaps the most exciting news of all is that we continue to offer our prayer and praise to the Lord of our lives here at 539 Buck Road. As we learn more about “Project Regeneration” through the wonderful Rose Niles, our expert in church revitalization, we look forward to gaining not only insight but practical possibilities for making NPC a thriving church. Stay tuned to learn more about Rose and the work she’ll be doing with us!

A beautiful hymn (“God of Our Life” Hymn #686 in *Glory to God*) captures the vicissitudes of change and the faith we can rely upon in all seasons of our lives:

*God of our life, through all the circling years,
We trust in you;
In all the past, through all our hopes and fears,
Your hand we view.
With each new day, when morning lifts the veil,
We own your mercies, Lord, which never fail.*

Let us keep calm and welcome September, and all the changes it brings!

Peace be unto you.

- *Pastor Judy*



YOU'RE INVITED

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE

& Picnic at Perkasio Park

Pastor Judy has been invited to lead worship at Perkasio Park on Sunday, September 1st. NPC is invited to join the resident "cottagers" for the outdoor (communion) service. The dining hall will be available to our congregation for lunch and fellowship following the service.

Please bring your picnic lunch.

**SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 1, 2024
10:30 AM - 1:00 PM**

Perkasio Park
200 S. Ninth Street
Perkasio, PA 18944

PERKASIEPARK.COM



Thank you

"Thank you, dear members of NPC, for your kind send-off this week, and for your gratitude expressed through flowers, gift cards and heartfelt messages. It has been a privilege to serve such a generous and caring congregation. I have enjoyed "growing-up" in ministry at this church and am grateful that God led me to you 21 years ago.

I wish you all God's richest blessings!

- Melissa Satko



***PLEASE NOTE - THERE WILL BE NO WORSHIP SERVICE HELD AT NPC ON 9/1.**

— Please Note —

There will be no livestream this Sunday (9/1/24). A recording of the Perkasio Park Service will be posted later Sunday evening.



Blessing of the Animals

SATURDAY
SEPT 28

at 10:30 AM



Come help us celebrate our furry, feathered and fishy friends!

JOIN US!

**Northampton
Presbyterian Church will
hold a "Blessing of the Animals"**

on Saturday morning, September 28th at 10:30 am in the church courtyard. This service witnesses to the love, care and concern of God and the larger church for creation. All well-behaved dogs (leashed), cats (in carriers) and other animal companions are welcome with their people for a brief service of blessing!

We will be collecting pet food for the Morrisville Food Center, which distributes dog and cat food to pet owners who cannot always afford to purchase it. Bags of dry food, canned food, cat litter and treats are welcome.

OCTOBER 6, 2024

MISSION FEST



Celebrating 60 Years of Mission at Northampton Presbyterian Church!

Following the worship service on **Sunday, October 6th**, we will kick off our celebration with a **SOUP AND SALAD POTLUCK**. Afterwards we will have a chance to meet and chat with our mission partners and get “hands on” with mission activities like making blankets, packing food bags and hygiene kits (supplies provided), and hosting a drive-thru food drop off in our parking lot.

Come celebrate the long tradition of Mission at Northampton as we work together to send our mission partners home with what they need the most!

Volunteers will be needed prior to the event to help set-up tables, as well as shop for supplies for bag packings. If you can help, please email the Mission Committee.

npcmissions539@gmail.com

Please sign-up in the narthex
for both the Potluck and
Mission Fest activities!

A N A F T E R N O O N W I T H T H E

PRESBYBOP JAZZ QUINTET



Sunday, October 20th at 4 pm

FREE CONCERT in celebration of the **60th Anniversary** of Northampton Presbyterian Church!

ALL ARE WELCOME! CHILD CARE PROVIDED.

Lite refreshments to follow. Freewill offering collected.

Presbybop Music exists to create, perform, record, and distribute jazz music that expresses and enlivens the human spirit. We create music that reaches for transcendence while keeping our listeners' feet tapping on the ground. It's all about integration. Our jazz connects faith and the arts, joy and justice, musical freedom and the building of community. We firmly believe jazz improves human life! With Tony Marino on bass, Ron Vincent on drums, Jeff Stockham on trumpet, Mike Carbone on saxophone, and Bill Carter on piano. www.presbybop.com



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WWW.NORTHAMPTONPRESBY.COM/CONCERT

September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10:30 AM <i>Perkasie Park Outdoor Worship & Picnic</i>	2 LABOR DAY (CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED)	3 9 AM <i>Preschool Orientation</i>	4 9 AM <i>Preschool First Day (1)</i> 10 AM <i>Mission Committee</i>	5 9 AM <i>Preschool First Day (2)</i>	6 6 PM <i>BSA Leadership Skills</i>	7 9 AM <i>BSA Leadership Skills</i>
8 10 AM <i>Worship Homecoming Sunday</i>	9	10 7 PM <i>BSA Troop Mtgs</i>	11 8:30 AM <i>Men's Breakfast at Robin Hood</i>	12	13	14
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<i>(Pastor Judy will be attending an ANA work / cultural trip)</i>						
22 10 AM <i>Worship</i> 11:30 AM <i>CLGs</i>	23 6 PM <i>GS Troop #2367</i>	24 7 PM <i>BSA Troop Mtgs</i>	25 9 AM <i>Women's Breakfast at Manny's</i>	26	27	28 9 AM <i>BSA Troop Court of Honor</i> 10:30 AM <i>Blessing of the Animals Service</i>
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