Announcements

Wed. Nov 6th – Choir 6:30 Thurs. Nov 7th – **No KD lunch**

Sounds of Christmas with Kirk Neville, Bonnie LaFrance & Central Queens Musical Friends December 1st, 3pm, Central Queens United Church



Have you signed up to receive emails from the church?

It's a quick and easy way to stay connected with your church family!

Speak to Rev. Brad or our church administrator Cheri for more information.

Mission Moment

When we give to Presbyterians Sharing, we participate in God's mission by proclaiming love, hope and grace through the words we use, the decisions we make and the actions we take. Together we provide funding for ministries, help congregations navigate challenging times, equip leaders to serve the church around the world, speak for those who have been silenced and marginalized, fight racism and discrimination, provide spaces for Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to walk together on a journey of healing and reconciliation and build a church where all are welcome. Together we are stewards of gifts from God, and through the power of God, we are accomplishing far more than we could ever imagine.

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"to know, love and serve God wherever we are and to inspire others to do the same by our thoughts, words and deeds"

SPC Mission Statement

Our Approach to God

Call to Worship:

Praise the Lord, all you saints!

Praise God, all you heavenly hosts!

Let us praise the name of the Lord:
For the name of God is above all names!

Let us praise the Lord as long as we live; We will sing praises to God now and evermore.

Hymn: #374 Oh for a thousand tongues to sing

Opening Prayers

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, the power and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.

Assurance of God's Love

Welcome & Announcements

Children's Time & Hymn: #266 King of Kings

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: John 11:1-37 (selected verses)

Isaiah 25:6-9 John 11:38-44

The Word of God in Scripture. The Word of God among us.
The Word of God within us.

Thanks be to God.

Ministry of Music: "Whisper to my Heart" (D. Angerman & J.M. Martin)

Message

Hymn: #674 In the bulb there is a flower

Our Response to God's Word

Stewardship Moment

Reflection / Doxology & The Presentation of Gifts / Prayer

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures high & low Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.

Pastoral Praver

Hear our prayer, O God. Hear our prayer, O God. Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.

Hymn: #611 For all the saints (verses 1, 2, 4, 8)

Benediction & Dismissal: May the Lord bless you

May the Lord bless you, may the Lord keep you;
May the Lord lift up his face to shine on you.

Postlude

As you prepare for this morning's service to begin, you are invited to reflect on the following...



"The saints are those who, in some partial way, embody – literally incarnate – the challenge of faith in their time and place. In doing so, they open a path that others might follow."

~ Robert Ellsberg

Have you seen God use pain to draw a person closer to him? How has God helped you during a sad or difficult time?

Things to pray for this week...

We pray for Knox College as it celebrates the 180th anniversary of its founding on November 5, 1844. With joyful gratitude for the students the College has served since its founding, and for continued discernment of God's call to equip and prepare students for service and ministry.

We pray for congregations confronted with difficult decisions about closing their churches, that Jesus' love and compassion may guide their conversations in celebrating their past and leaving a legacy for the future.



Scripture Reading: John 11:1-37 (NIV)

Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ² (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.) ³ So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick."

- ⁴ When he heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it." ⁵ Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. ⁶ So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days, ⁷ and then he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea." ...
- ¹¹ After he had said this, he went on to tell them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep; but I am going there to wake him up."
- ¹² His disciples replied, "Lord, if he sleeps, he will get better." ¹³ Jesus had been speaking of his death, but his disciples thought he meant natural sleep.
- ¹⁴So then he told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead, ¹⁵ and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ...
- ¹⁷On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. ¹⁸ Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁹ and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. ²⁰ When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.
- ²¹ "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask."
- ²³ Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."
- ²⁴ Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."
- ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; ²⁶ and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"
- ²⁷ "Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world."

- ²⁸ After she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. "The Teacher is here," she said, "and is asking for you." ²⁹ When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. ³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹ When the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there.
- ³² When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."
- ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. ³⁴ "Where have you laid him?" he asked.
- "Come and see, Lord," they replied.
- 35 Jesus wept.
- ³⁶ Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"
- ³⁷ But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9 (NIV)

- 6 On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples,
- a banquet of aged wine—

the best of meats and the finest of wines.

On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples,

the sheet that covers all nations;

8 he will swallow up death forever.

The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces;

he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The Lord has spoken.

⁹ In that day they will say,

"Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us.

This is the Lord, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

Scripture Reading: John 11:1-37 (NIV)

³⁸ Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. ³⁹ "Take away the stone," he said.

"But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days."

 40 Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

⁴¹ So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."

⁴³ When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."