



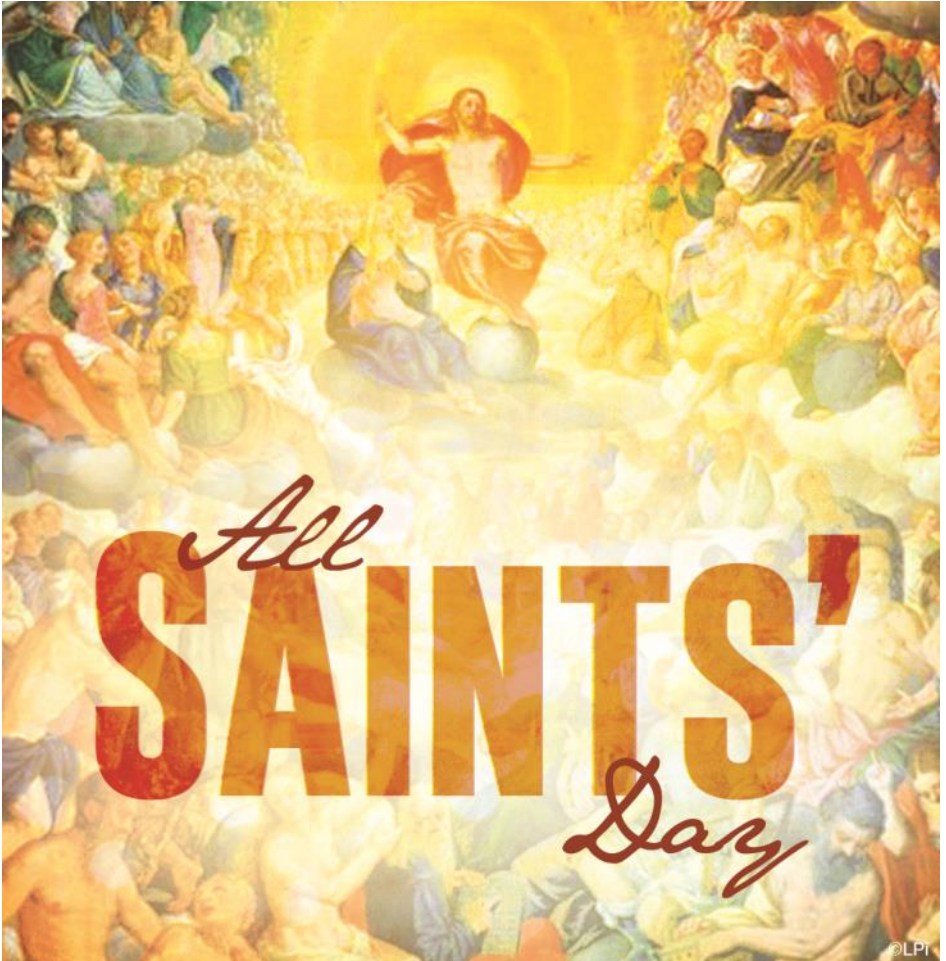
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**A Newsletter serving the congregation
and friends of
Northwest United Protestant Church**
*LOVING AND SERVING CHRIST
IN OUR COMMUNITY AND WORLD*



A “Gentle” Reminder



Dear NWUP members and friends;

As you read this “Gentle Reminder” letter, many of you will have already voted. There has been an unprecedented wave of early voting during this election season.

Election time can be a time of anxiety. Unfortunately, it is also a time of division. As Christians, we should remember that we follow Jesus’ model of loving our neighbors and caring for the vulnerable. It is Jesus’ example that should guide us always, but especially during an election season. While many people believe that politics and religion are topics that we shouldn’t discuss in polite company, I can assure you that God calls us to stay attentive to the policies and leaders that impact our collective well-being. We can be political and not be partisan. Why? Because as Christians we follow the Gospel of Jesus Christ, not any particular party or elected leader.

We believe God calls us to use our vote to work toward building God’s beloved community on earth. I can’t tell you how to vote, I can only encourage you to vote. I can’t tell you which policies or which politician you should support, but I can share the words of Jesus in Matthew 25:41-45;

“...for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’”

Join me on Monday, November 2 at noon (PT) on Facebook live for a brief time of prayer for our nation during election season. We can all pause and breath and break away from any anxiety and negativity. If you can’t pause at noon, I will upload the video to the NWUP YouTube channel so you can take a moment in your busy day for prayer.

Have a safe and blessed day!

Pastor Miriam

Thank You!

To all those who have donated to NWUP Church and to those who have continued to support the church even through this pandemic that we are facing. We value you as a congregation and we love seeing you every Sunday. Without your continued support and dedication to service in our community we would not be Northwest United Protestant Church! Stay warm and stay safe in our world that we face together. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Here is a prayer for the National Elections by Rev. Sarah Are, founding creative partner of “A Sanctified Art,” a collective of artists in ministry who create resources for worshiping communities.

Holy God,
We come to you today in prayer, full of emotions.
Election seasons always seem to bring that out in us—
Worry and hope, fear and frustration. The list could go on.
So today we bow our heads and ask for guidance.
Open our ears to hear the groans of creation.
Open our eyes to see the needs of others.
Open our hearts to make room for empathy.
Give us the wisdom to navigate challenging conversations.
Give us the patience to disagree with grace.
Give us the compassion to make decisions for the greater good.
And when all else fails, bring us back to love.
Bring our hearts and our hands,
Our dreams and our hopes,
Our anger and our frustration,
Our hurt and our fear,
All back to love.
With hope we pray,
With hope we are sustained.
Amen.

Giving Options:

SAFE ONLINE GIVING:

Donate quickly and safely once or set up recurring gifts to the fund of your choice at:

<https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/NWUPC>.

AUTO PAY FROM YOUR BANK:

Ask your bank to set up automatic payments to NWUPC.

MAIL A CHECK:

Make checks out to NWUP Church and mail to:
1312 Sacramento Blvd. / Richland, WA 99354





Friendly reminder...

Turn your clocks back
November 1, 2020

NWuP Church

1312 Sacramento Blvd., Richland, WA 99336
509-521-4386

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CHANGE SMOKE DETECTORS

SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES!
WHILE YOU ARE CHANGING YOUR CLOCKS BACK,
THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO CHECK YOUR SMOKE DETECTOR,
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All Saints' Day

NORTHWEST UNITED
PROTESTANT CHURCH

REV. MIRIAM GENTLE

NOVEMBER 1ST 2020 AT 9:45AM

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-PRESENTS-

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NOV. 14, 2020

STARTS 9AM | VIRTUAL

[HTTPS://NORTHERNLIGHTSDISCIPLES.ORG/2020-REGIONAL-ASSEMBLY/](https://northernlightsdisciples.org/2020-regional-assembly/)



THANKSGIVING SPECIAL OFFERING TO SUPPORT DISCIPLES HIGHER EDUCATION. HERE IS THE LINK FOR MORE INFORMATION:

[HTTPS://DISCIPLESMISSIONFUND.ORG/SPECIAL-OFFERINGS/THANKSGIVING/](https://disciplesmissionfund.org/special-offerings/thanksgiving/)

THANK YOU!

Huge thanks from Jefferson Elementary School, for our gift card donations totaling \$280 for their distance learning school supplies and other needed items.

WITNESS OF THE SAINTS

Sunday, October 4:

Online Worship: 193

In Finance:

Loose Offering	\$30.00
Bldg. Fund	\$100.00
Spanish Books	\$50.00
General Fund	\$1440.00
Total	\$1620.00



Sunday, October 11:

Online Worship: 177

In Finance:

General Fund	\$2851.00
Total	\$2851.00

Sunday, October 18:

Online Worship: 120

In Finance:

Bldg. Fund	\$50.00
Loose Offering	\$10.00
General Fund	\$3050.00
Total	\$3110.00

Sunday, October 25:


Online Worship: 92

In Finance:

Loose Offering	\$5.00
General Fund	\$3225.00
Total	\$3230.00

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- 11/1 DORIS & JEFF
ANNIVERSARY
- 11/4 MIKE
GIARDINELLI
- 11/9 BILL KENDRICK
- 11/11 PARKER AYRES
- 11/11 WILLIAM
BURTON
- 11/15 LYNLEIGH
NELSON
- 11/15 DALENE ZABEL
- 11/27 HENRY KINCAID
- 11/28 JIM & ANNA
ANNIVERSARY
- 11/30 BEA POHTO
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NOVEMBER 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
01 DORIS & JEFF ANIVERSARY ALL SAINTS DAY Daylight Savings 2a.m.	02 6-8PM RESERVED Election Day Prayer on Facebook Annual Light The Path Breakfast Begins (ALTP)	03 ELECTION DAY! 6-8PM RESERVED	04 MIKE GIARDINELLI ANNUAL LIGHT THE PATH BREAKFAST 10AM 6-8PM RESERVED	05	06 930AM WORSHIP COMMISSION 6-11PM RESERVED Pastor Miriam's Day Off	07 6-8PM RESERVED
08 Veterans Recognition Sunday	09 BILL KENDRICK 6-8PM RESERVED	10 7PM ELDERS MEETING 6-8PM RESERVED 430PM BOARD MEETING	11 PARKER AYRES WILLIAM BURTON 330PM S & F MEET. 6-8PM RESERVED VETERANS DAY!	12	13 6-11PM RESERVED Pastor Miriam's Day Off	14 6-8PM RESERVED
15 LYNLEIGH NELSON DALENE ZABEL Congregational Meeting after church	16 6-8PM RESERVED	17 6-8PM RESERVED	18 10AM HANDBELLS 6-8PM RESERVED	19	20 6-11PM RESERVED Pastor Miriam's Day Off A.L.T.P. Ends	21 6-8PM RESERVED
22 THANKSGIVING SPECIAL OFFERING	23 6-8PM RESERVED	24 6-8PM RESERVED	25 10AM HANDBELLS 6-8PM RESERVED	26 THANKSGIVING DAY!	27 HENRY KINCAID 6-11PM RESERVED Pastor Miriam's Day Off	28 JIM & ANNA ANNIVERSARY 6-8PM RESERVED
29 1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT Hanging of the Greens	30 BEA POHTO 6-8PM RESERVED					

"IN THE BEGINNING..."

by chris sushynski



"You want me to multiply those too?"

CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING NOVEMBER 15, 2020!

Our Annual Congregational Meeting is two weeks away on Sunday, November 15th immediately following our worship service. We will be voting on the church's budget for next year – how we'll be spending our offering – and replacing officers (Elders, Deacons and our Moderator of the Board). Please make plans to attend this important Annual Meeting. We need your voice to be heard in the operation of our church. We will be making arrangements for absentee ballots or electronic voting by email for those who are unable to attend the meeting because of the Covid-19 Pandemic. Please pray for our church as we make preparations for this decision making time in the life of the church.

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