Sunday, August 10

10:30 am - Worship in the Park 11:30 am - Church Picnic

Monday, August 11

10:00 am - Food Pantry 5:30 pm - TOPS

Tuesday, August 12

8:45 am - Yoga 12:00 pm - Mission & Outreach mtg 1:15 pm - Staff Mtg 1:30-3:00 pm - Pastor's open door office hours 5:30 pm - Chem. Cty Landlord Assoc.

Wednesday, August 13

Bulletin Info Due
9:15 am - Fin. Comm. mtg
10:00 am - Food Pantry
1:30-4:00 pm - Pastor's open door
office hours

Thursday, August 14

8:45 am - Yoga

Friday, August 15

10:00 am - Food Pantry 5:15 pm - AA Meeting

Saturday, August 16

Sunday, August 17

9:30 am - Worship Service 9:30 am - Communion 10:30 am - Coffee Hour 6:00 pm - Board of Session

Music Ministry

Sundays:
The Good New Singers' Practice will resume in September
Wednesdays:
Bell Choir, Chancel Choir and Praise Band rehearsals will resume in September.

Second Place East, Inc.

Our August donation request for Second Place East, Inc. is **Toilet Paper.**

Please see the information regarding this important mission in the narthex.

If you would like to donate Chancel flowers (suggested donation of \$45), please contact Lori Lee at 607-739-3176. Available Sundays in August and September 2025 are: August 17 & 24 and September 7 & 14.

Please take the flowers home to enjoy after the service.

If you are not in the sanctuary on your chosen date, we will be in touch with you to make a plan.



Please join us for Coffee Hour weekly, after worship.



The special offering for the month of August is:

Memorial Fund

The NPC Food Pantry is in need of the following donation FOOD

Canned Pineapple Cereal Condiments (plastic jars) Reusable Shopping bags

items:

In addition, if your dentist gives you toothbrushes, floss, or toothpaste and you don't need it, the pantry does!

Monetary donations are always welcome and

Sunday School and Bible Study

Sunday School Sunday school classes will resume in

Men's Bible Study will resume in September.

Wednesday Noon Bible Study will resume in September. For more information, please contact Wendy Swatling.





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WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Most strong God,
who is able to fight against you?
I want you to help me fight against
the flaming dragon of sin within me,
that eats away my very soul.
I want to have the strongest sword in my hand,
fashioned by you, with the sharpest blade
that will cut through the dragon's scales.
And when I have slayed the dragon within myself,
I want to offer a safe refuge for all
who, like me, are frail and vulnerable.
I will give them a sword to slay their own dragons,
so that together we may live in joy and peace. Amen.
- Hildegard of Bingen (1098 – 1179)

↑Please stand, as you are able. ↓Please be seated.

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUIETING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Let us quiet our hearts and our minds as we gather to worship the Lord.

PRELUDE Jesus Is My Hope

GATHERING AS THE BODY OF CHRIST- (Psalm 100)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Know that the LORD is God.

It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.



The NPC
Board of
Session
will meet
on August 17
at 6:00 pm.

Generous
Donation
to the
Food Pantry
was made by
Kate & Evan
Hansen. Thanks
for each beautiful
face that shows up
on Sunday.



July 20, 2025 Session Summary Revision

The July 20,2025 Session Summary, that was printed in the August North Star, mentioned the disbursement of Panosian Foundation Funds to several community organizations. Omitted from the list was Second Place East, Inc.



Tech Booth: Bill Furnas

Ushers: Kurt & Cindy Kalweit

Wee Worship: Worship in the Park
Worship Assistant: Worship in the Park

Counters: Annette Stevens, Joe Rolls

Greeters: Worship in the Park

Coffee Hour: Worship in the Park

August 17 worship volunteers:

Picnic to follow!

Worship

Tech Booth: Steve Allison

Ushers: Pat & Jeff Richards

Wee Worship: Liz Wilson, Wally Ferriter

Worship Assistant: Wendy Swatling

Counters: Allie Sevey, Wendy Swatling

Greeter: Gerry Harding

Coffee Hour: Bobbi Furnas, Cindy Kalweit

Communion: Lori Lee, Vicki Balon, Tim Allison, Cindy & Kurt Kalweit

Glen Bolt 105 Morrow St. Elmira, NY 14901

FROM THE DEACON'S LIST PLEASE SEND A CARD TO:



Please remember in your prayers the following individuals who are part of the NPC Family:

Missy & Corey Ripley Kailey, Kyler

JPRAYER DEDICATING OUR GIFTS TO GOD'S WORK

PRAYING FOR GOD'S MERCY

We especially pray for ...

We give you thanks for all that is good in our lives and all that you have given to us. May we have wisdom and strength to follow and do your will.

We thank you especially for ...

We pray all these prayers and the prayers deep within our hearts as we pray the prayer your Son taught us, and we are bold to pray:

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory now and forever. Amen.

BEING SENT FORTH TO LOVE AS CHRIST LOVES US

†GIVING THANKS TO GOD IN SONG

For the Beauty of the Earth

GTG #14

CHARGE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Hail the Lord of All Creation

THE HOUR OF WORSHIP HAS ENDED; NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS

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Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. **Give thanks to the Lord, bless his name.**

For the LORD is good;

The Lord's steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Thanks be to God!

↑GIVING PRAISE TO GOD IN SONG

Make a Joyful Noise All the Earth

JCALL TO ADMIT OUR SINS AND TURN TO GOD

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Our old selves were crucified with him so that we might be slaves to sin no more. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins against God and neighbor.

ADMITTING OUR SINS AND TURNING TO GOD IN PRAYER (Unison)

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.

Lord, have mercy upon us; heal us and forgive us. By your love and through your Spirit, set us free to serve you in this world as agents of your reconciling love in Christ Jesus.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S GRACE AND FORGIVENESS (Responsive)

Hear the good news! If we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. Therefore, consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

↑GIVING GLORY TO GOD

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

GTG #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST (Responsive)

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Let us live by and be guided by the Holy Spirit in all things, including how we treat one another.

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

Please exchange the peace of our Lord with one another in the way you are comfortable.

†GIVING PRAISE TO GOD IN SONG

Seek Ye First

GTG #175

JSPECIAL MUSIC

Glorious God

Paul Holland

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

↓PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE AND WISDOM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Steadfast, loving God, as we gather amongst the trees, the grass, the insects, the free-flowing air, and outside of the comfort of our walls, by your Spirit, open our hearts and our minds to your living Word, Jesus Christ, so that we may not only hear what you would have us hear, but also do what you would have us do as well. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

The Book of Genesis 15:1-6

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GATHERING OF CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READING

The Gospel According to Luke 12:22-34

This is the word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

†RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD IN SONG

God of Great and God of Small

GTG #19

PROCLAIMING WHAT WE BELIEVE WITH THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

JGIVING OF OURSELVES TO GOD IN THANKSGIVING

OFFERING OF MUSIC

A Blessing

↑DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

GTG #606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.