

# March at Northwest

Loved by God, we find belonging in community  
and purpose in loving the world.

## Special Events

### Family Movie Night

On Sunday, March 8 at 6 p.m., we will be showing a family friendly movie on our inflatable big screen in the Ministry Center. Popcorn and lemonade will be available and you can also bring your own snacks and drinks. All are welcome!

### Easter Egg Hunt

We will have our annual Easter egg hunt on Sunday, March 29 at 10:30 a.m. (between services). Children in Kindergarten and younger will be in the Northwest Children's Garden area and kids in grades 1-5 will be in the Chapel in the Woods. All candy will be peanut free and families are encouraged to bring a basket or bag to collect eggs. All are welcome!



## Worship

### Lent

Our Lent message series is "Life Where We Least Expect It." In this series, we will explore how God brings life out of places marked by uncertainty, limitation, and even despair. From the guarded garden of Genesis to a nighttime conversation, a thirsty wilderness, a man born blind, and a valley of dry bones, these scriptures reveal God's power to create and restore in unlikely settings. Again and again, life appears not where people are confident or in control, but where they are searching, struggling, or worn down. This series invites us to notice God's presence in overlooked places and forgotten moments. Above all, it proclaims a God who keeps bringing life—often where we least expect it.

### Holy Week and Easter

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on March 29. We will have the palm processional at both services and the annual egg hunt between services. Holy Week will continue as we recognize Holy Thursday on April 2 with a community meal with some of our neighbors at Abbey Church. Stay tuned for more details. On Good Friday, April 3, we will have worship at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Then we will celebrate Easter Sunday and the resurrection together on Sunday, April 5 beginning with a Sunrise Service at 6:45 a.m. and continuing with our regular services at 9:30 and 11:00. More details will be available at [nwumc.com/Easter](http://nwumc.com/Easter) as we finalize plans.

## Connect

Small Groups are a wonderful place to connect and build community. We have a variety of groups including Bible studies, book studies, and social groups. There are men's groups and women's groups, studies that meet in person and online only. Find details about the small groups available at [nwumc.com/adults](http://nwumc.com/adults).

# Kids and Youth



## Northwest Kids (birth-5<sup>th</sup> grade)

Nursery care and Children's Small Groups continue to meet every Sunday during both the 9:30 and 11:00 services. Each Sunday includes a lesson and fellowship time. Kids also regularly participate in mission projects as part of our church partnerships.

## Youth (grades 6-12)

Youth small groups meet Sunday mornings at 9:30 and 11 and youth group is from 6-8 p.m. Sunday evenings. There will be no evening youth group March 22 and 29 due to spring break; morning small groups will still meet. Contact the church office (614-451-2825, [info@nwumc.com](mailto:info@nwumc.com)) for more information.



## Serve

### NNEMAP Pantry Item

Each month we collect a different item for the NNEMAP Food Pantry. In March we are collecting mac and cheese. Special note: food pantries especially appreciate the types of mac and cheese that do not require milk and butter. Donations can be placed in the shopping cart in the Hall.

### Easter Baskets

Again this year we are collecting Easter baskets for local students. Baskets can be picked up in the Hall, then filled and returned to the church by March 20. Use the QR code or visit [nwumc.com/easterbaskets](http://nwumc.com/easterbaskets) for more information including ideas of what to include.



### Church for All People Breakfast

We serve breakfast at the Church for All People on the 4th Sunday of each month. Our March date is March 22. Visit [nwumc.com/connect](http://nwumc.com/connect) for the sign up.

### Soup for Linden Market

Another monthly ministry partner is the Linden Market. We take soup and sandwiches on the third Thursday of the month. Volunteers can make soup at home and bring it to the church. Containers are available in the kitchen. Contact the church office for more information.

## Find us online

Stay up to date with everything happening at Northwest by joining our email list, and following us on Social Media. Here are some helpful links:



Find more announcements, sign up for emails, fill out our online connect card and more at [nwumc.com/connect](http://nwumc.com/connect).



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## Questions?

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