SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 6, 2022

All Saints Day

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP — Rev. 7:9-10 Liturgist, Sharon Bryant Leader: I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands.

People: They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Leader: Today our voices join this ongoing heavenly hymn of praise. In Jesus' name, let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN #689 The Church's One Foundation

*OPENING PRAYER

*PRAISE SONG 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Forgive our indifference to your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. You have called us to do what is just, but we have been fearful. Have mercy on us, your faithless servants.

lA time of silence for personal prayers of confessionl

Keep before us faithful people for us to follow so that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to the praise of your holy name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — Westminster Confession of Faith 26.1 We believe that all believers are united to Jesus Christ, their head, by his Spirit and by faith, and have fellowship with him in his grace, suffering, death, resurrection, and glory. United to one another in love the saints have fellowship in each other's gifts and grace and are obliged to perform those public and private duties which nourish their mutual good, both spiritually and physically. Amen.

FOR OUR GUESTS: WELCOME TO NORTHMINSTER EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are glad you are here. We hope the information listed on these pages will help you choose your next steps in connecting at Northminster. If you need help finding anything or have questions, just ask an usher or the pastor. To learn more about activities here, please pick up our newsletter from the rack in the hallway or foyer table. You can also learn more about us on our website: www.npcmh.com, and on Facebook: www.facebook.com/npcmh

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

Today, November 6:

9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages11:00 am - Worship6:30 pm - Youth Group

Monday, November 7:

6:30 pm – Canoeing the Mountains

Tuesday, November 8:

12:00 pm – Lynchburg Daily Bread Meal Distribution

Wednesday, November 9:

12:00 pm – Weekly Prayer (Sanctuary) **7:00 pm –** Choir Practice

Thursday, November 10:

1:30 pm - Session Meeting

Next Sunday, November 13:

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children are welcomed in the service. A nursery is provided for infants – 4 years. Others needing childcare may leave worship after the ANTHEM.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 9:45 a.m.

Pastor David is beginning a new series on the book of Mark. We hope that you will join us as we explore this powerful gospel.

YOUTH GROUP - TODAY @ 6:30 pm

Students in grades 6-12 are welcomed to join us.

CANOEING THE MOUNTAINS 1st & 3rd MONDAYS

You are invited to join Pastor David and the session as they go through the book *Canoeing the Mountains* by Tod Bolsinger. Our world is changing at an ever-accelerating pace, and it often feels like the Church is doing ministry that no longer reaches the felt needs of people. As we look out on this strange, new world, how can God change our perspective and goals so that we effectively share the Gospel with those who don't know how much they need Him? We will be meeting the first and third Mondays at 6:30 pm. Please join us tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER - WEDNESDAYS @ Noon

Please join us on Wednesdays at noon for a time of prayer in the sanctuary as we bring our needs before our loving God.

ELDERS AVAILABLE FOR PRAYER FOLLOWING WORSHIP

In James 5:13-14 we read, "Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord." Each Sunday, two elders will be available in the New Song room following worship for anyone who needs or would like prayer.

THE READING OF THE NECROLOGY

ANTHEMBought With a Price
Words and music by Natalie Sleeth

WORSHIPING GOD WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

*Offertory Response — "Doxology"

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.

*Prayer of Dedication

OLD TESTAMENT READING: 1 Kings 19:1-15

Pastor: The Word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

SERMON: GOD'S BEST IS GOOD ENOUGH

SERIES: WHEN YOUR BEST ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH

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SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Introduction, Invitation, Institution Partaking of the Communion Elements Closing

*CLOSING HYMN #751

For All the Saints

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please Stand

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SERMON NOTES, November 6

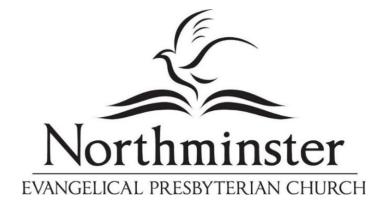
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19 Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah. saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. 4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." 5 And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him. "Arise and eat." ⁶ And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. 7 And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." 8 And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

⁹There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 10 He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." 11 And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹² And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. 13 And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴ He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." 15 And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. ~ I Kings 19:1-15 (ESV)