SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 29, 2021

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP - Liturgist: Caitilin Vera

Leader: In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.

People: Christ dwells among us and is one with us. Leader: Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.

People: He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Leader: Come now, all who thirst,

People: and drink the water of life.
Leader: Come now, all who hunger,
People: and be filled with good things.

Leader: Come now, all who seek,

People: and be warmed by the fire of love.

*OPENING HYMN #20 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

*OPENING PRAYER

*PRAISE SONG 10.000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

GUIDED PRAYER

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Westminster Confession 1.1

We believe that our natural understanding and the works of creation and providence so clearly show God's goodness, wisdom, and power that human beings have no excuse for not believing in him. However, these means alone cannot provide that knowledge of God and of his will which is necessary for salvation. Therefore it pleased the Lord at different times and in various ways to reveal himself and to declare that this revelation contains his will for his church. Afterwards it pleased God to put this entire revelation into writing so that the truth might be better preserved and transmitted and

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 WEEK AUGUST 29 - SEPT 12

Today:

9:45 am - Ministry Fair & Rally Day
11 am - Worship - Helping Hands Offering

Tues Aug 31:

12 pm - Lynchburg Daily Bread Meal Distribution

Wed Sept 1:

10:30 am - Pastor's Midweek Bible Study7 pm - Choir practice

Sun Sept 5:

9:45 am - Adult Sunday School 11 am - Worship

Tues Sept 7:

12 pm - Lynchburg Daily Bread Meal Distribution

Wed Sept 8:

10:30 am - Pastor's Midweek Bible Study7 pm - Choir practice

Thurs Sept 9:

6:30 pm - Session meeting

Sun Sept 12:

9:45 am – Adult Sunday School 11 am – Worship 6:30 pm – Sunday Night Live

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

Join us in the Fellowship Hall from 9:45-10:45 as we explore God's Word together and are encouraged in our walk with the Lord. It has been a long time, and we're looking forward to seeing you then!

HELPING HANDS OFFERING - SUNDAY AUGUST 29

Each 5th Sunday, our offering collection goes to Helping Hands. Helping Hands is a ministry of churches in the Madison Heights-Elon area of Amherst County to help residents in need. It is administered through Madison Heights Baptist Church. Thank you for helping us meet the needs of those in our community! Please specify offering in memo or note space on envelopes and online.

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE KICKOFF — SUNDAY, SEPT 12, 6:30PM

Mark your calendars and plan to join us on Sunday, September 12 at 6:30pm for the kickoff of Sunday Night Live! This is a brand new opportunity to teach our children and youth about the fulness of life offered by Jesus Christ and how to live as disciples of Christ. With age-appropriate and focused lessons and games, we're really excited to see how Sunday Night Live encourages our children and youth in their walk with the Lord and their families as well. Want to know more? Plan to join us September 12!

PASTOR'S MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY - WEDNESDAY @ 10:30 AM

Join us in person or online for a midweek bible study with Pastor David! We are currently working through the Book of Hebrews, with a focus on learning to study the Bible ourselves and apply it to our daily lives. As 2 Timothy 3:16 says, "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the person of God may be complete, equipped for every good work." It's easier to see this in some passages than others, but together we'll be encouraged and equipped. We look forward to seeing you there!

CHRISTMAS CHEER BOX COLLECTION - AUGUST

August is pancake mix and syrup month! If you would like to contribute to the Community Christmas Cheer Boxes there will be a bin by the front door for your contribution.

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.

that the church, confronted with the corruption of the flesh and the evil purposes of Satan and the world, might be more securely established and comforted. Since God no longer reveals himself to his people in those earlier ways, Holy Scripture is absolutely essential. Amen.

ANTHEM

"We Are the Body of Christ"

Bruce Greer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER:

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 <u>debts</u> as we forgive our <u>debtors</u>. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

WORSHIPING GOD WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

*Offertory Response – We give thee but thine own What-e're the gift may be: All that we have is thine alone,

A trust, O Lord, from thee.

*Prayer of Dedication

SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 3

Pastor: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON

"Avoiding Distractions"

SERIES: Training in Righteousness

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

- 2 Timothy 3:16-17

*CLOSING HYMN #306

Standing on the Promises

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please Stand

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Ron Reyburn, Judy Reyburn
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Sharon Bryant, Caitlin Vera,
Michael Babcock,
Maggie Brockman

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SERMON NOTES, August 29

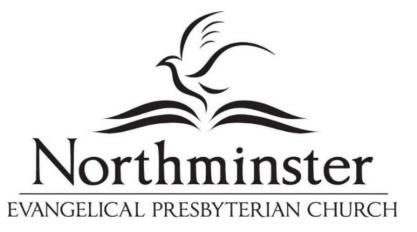
SCRIPTURE SERMON

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Experiencing and sharing God's love to transform our homes, community and world.

¹ But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. ² For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, ⁴ treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵ having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people. ⁶ For among them are those who creep into households and capture weak women, burdened with sins and led astray by various passions, ⁷ always learning and never able to arrive at a knowledge of the truth. ⁸ Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so these men also oppose the truth, men corrupted in mind and disqualified regarding the faith. ⁹ But they will not get very far, for their folly will be plain to all, as was that of those two men.

¹⁰ You, however, have followed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, 11 my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. 12 Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, 13 while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it 15 and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work-

2 Timothy 3 (ESV)