

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 23, 2021

Pentecost Sunday

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Liturgist, Sharon Bryant

CALL TO WORSHIP: based on Psalm 105:1-2; Romans 5:5; Rev. 4:8

Leader: The love of God has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

People: we dwell in him and he in us.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

People: make known his deeds among the peoples.

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him,

People: and speak of all his marvelous works.

Leader: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,

People: who was and is and is to come!

*OPENING SONG

Better Is One Day

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN #291

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

GUIDED PRAYER

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — Westminster Larger Catechism, Q.86**

Leader: What is the communion in glory with Christ that members of
the invisible church enjoy immediately after death?

**People: The communion in glory with Christ that members of the
invisible church enjoy immediately after death involves
their souls being made completely holy and being
received into the highest heavens. There they behold the
face of God in light and glory as they wait for the full
redemption of their bodies, which even in death continue
united to Christ and rest in the grave as in a bed, until at
the last day body and soul are reunited. On the other
hand, when the wicked die, their souls are thrown into
hell. There they remain tormented in complete darkness,
while their bodies are kept in the grave as in a prison, until
the resurrection and judgment of that great day. 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 WEEK OF MAY 23- 30

Today:

9:45 am – Adult Sunday School

11 am – Worship.

12:30 pm – Pentecost picnic

6:30 pm – Youth Group

Tues May 25:

12 pm - Lynchburg Daily Bread Meal Distribution

Wed May 26:

10:30 am- Pastor's Midweek Bible Study

7:00 pm- Choir Practice

Next Sun Mar 1:

9:45 am – Adult Sunday School

11 am - Worship

Helping Hands Offering

6:30 pm – Youth Group

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.

JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

The deadline for material to be submitted for the June newsletter is
today May 23. Please make sure to email or drop off any content to the
church office. Thank you!

PENTECOST PICNIC TODAY

Today we celebrate the birthday of the Church in worship and with a
picnic lunch on the front lawn after the service. This will be a great time
of renewing relationships through worship, food, games and fellowship.
Bring a picnic lunch and a drink. We'll have chairs, but you're welcome
to bring your own. And, of course, don't forget to wear red!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

After more than a year away, our Sunday morning Adult
Sunday school class is resuming today Sunday, May 23! 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's been a long time, and we're looking forward to seeing you
then!

SON TREASURE ISLAND ADVENTURE WEEKEND JULY 23-25

Join us for Son Treasure Island Weekend Adventure, where kids
discover God's Love! Through their adventures, children will
discover that God's Love Is Giving, God's Love Is Kind, God's Love
Is Caring, God's Love Is Forgiving and God's Love Is Forever! We
will have a great time with lively songs, hilarious skits, creative
crafts, exciting games, Bible stories and tasty snacks—all of the
things that make this weekend adventure so much fun for
children. On top of that, we will be helping children learn about
God's amazing love. Sign up to volunteer or register your children
today at www.npcmh.com/vbs.

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.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM "Every time I Feel The Spirit" Larry Shackley

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. 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

***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

SCRIPTURE: 1 Corinthians 15:50-58
Pastor: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

SERMON: "The End is Just The Beginning"
SERIES: ARS MORIENDI: THE ART OF DYING WELL
*"Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet."
— 1 Cor. 15:51-52*

***CLOSING HYMN #674** On Jordan's Stormy Banks

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

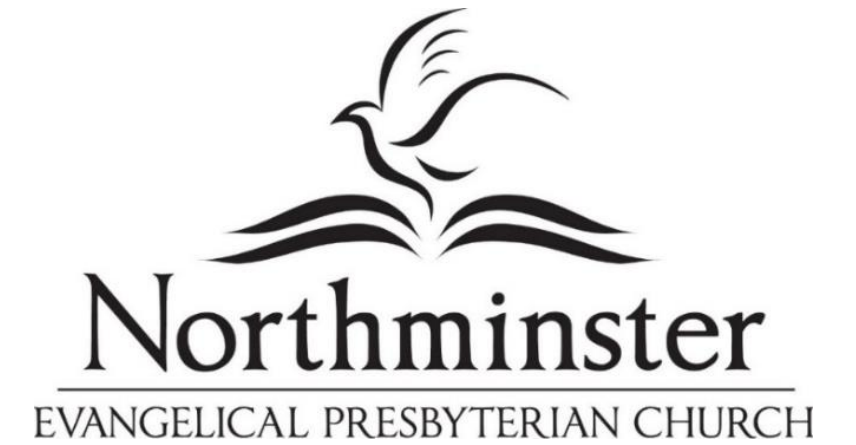
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ELDERS
Ron Reyburn, Judy Reyburn
John Lange, George Brine,
Sharon Bryant, Caitlin Vera,
Michael Babcock,
Maggie Brockman

Pastor, David Garrison
Bob Mills, Director of Music
Liz Boothe, Organist
Sharon Bryant, Sunday School
Superintendent
Debbie Irvine, Secretary
Vonnie Rucker, Treasurer

SERMON NOTES, Feb 23

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

⁵⁰ I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. ⁵¹ Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, ⁵² in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. ⁵³ For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. ⁵⁴ When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

"Death is swallowed up in victory."
⁵⁵ "O death, where is your victory?
O death, where is your sting?"

⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷ But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁵⁸ Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:50-58 (ESV)