

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 10, 2021 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Liturgist: Maggie Brockman

CALL TO WORSHIP- Colossians 2:3; Revelation 5:12

Leader: The Lord Jesus who calls us to worship him today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one. Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings. Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory, and power. With the saints of all ages we say,

People: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

***OPENING HYMN #431** And Can It Be

*OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN #502** Amazing Grace

GUIDED PRAYER

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** - Westminster Confession 5.1

We believe that God, who created everything, also upholds everything. He directs, regulates, and governs every creature, action, and thing, from the greatest to the least, by his completely wise and holy providence. He does so in accordance with his infallible foreknowledge and the voluntary, unchangeable purpose of his own will, all to the praise of the glory of his wisdom, power, justice, goodness, and mercy. Amen.

ANTHEM "A Firm Foundation" John Leavitt

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 OCT 10 – OCT 17

Today:

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

Mon Oct 11:

7 pm – Habitat for Humanity board meeting

Tues Oct 12:

12 pm - Lynchburg Daily Bread Meal Distribution

Wed Oct 13:

10:30 am - Pastor's Midweek Bible Study
7 pm – Choir practice

Thurs Oct 14:

6: 30 pm – Session meeting

Sun Oct 17:

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!

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE – SUNDAY NIGHT @ 6:30PM

Mark your calendars and plan to join us tonight, at 6:30pm for 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 tonight

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 - OCTOBER

October is dried goods month- beans, rice and pasta. 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.

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 Luke 16:1-13
Pastor: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

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SERIES: Stewards of the King
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*CLOSING HYMN #72 To God Be The Glory

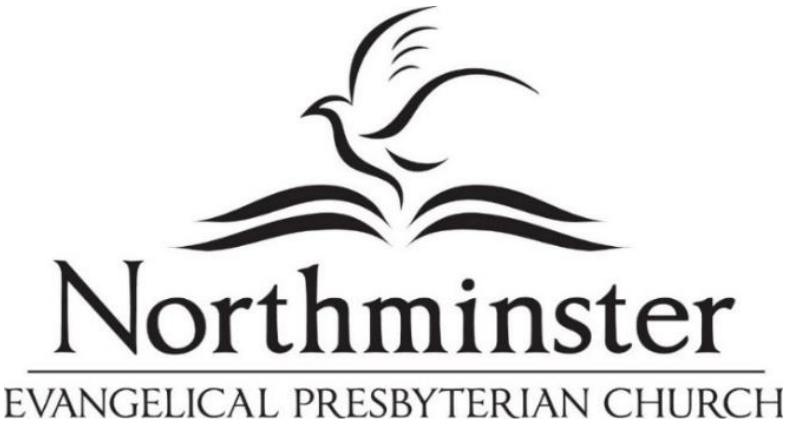
*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please Stand Copyright License #254910 Luke 16:1-13 (ESV)

ELDERS Pastor, David Garrison
Ron Reyburn, Judy Reyburn Bob Mills, Director of Music
John Lange, George Brine, Liz Boothe, Organist
Sharon Bryant, Sunday School Superintendent
Michael Babcock, Sandy Stafford, Secretary
Maggie Brockman Vonnice Rucker, Treasurer

SERMON NOTES, October 10
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to transform our homes, community and world.

¹ He also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ² And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ ³ And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ ⁵ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ ⁷ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ ⁸ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

¹⁰ “One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹ If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³ No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”