SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 13, 2022

The Second Sunday in Lent

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Liturgist, Maggie Brockman

CALL TO WORSHIP - based on John 4:24; Il Corinthians 5:17-21

Leader: Let us worship God who reconciled us

to himself through Christ.

People: We are new creations;

the old has gone, the new has come!

Leader: Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.

People: Through us and through our worship may we announce the good news to all.

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

People: Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

*OPENING HYMN #212 What Wondrous Love Is This

*OPENING PRAYER

*PRAISE SONG You Are My King (Amazing Love)

GUIDED PRAYER

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — I Corinthians 13:1-7

We believe that if we speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, we are a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if we have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if we have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, we are nothing. If we give away all we have, and if we deliver up our bodies to be burned, but have not love, we gain nothing. Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Amen.

ANTHEM

"Awake, Alone in Gethsemane" Arr. Mary McDonald; words by Julie L. Myers

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:

9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages

11:00 am – Worship

6:00 pm - Fun in the Sun Info Meeting

6:30-7:45 pm – Sunday Night Live

Mon March 14:

7:00 pm - Habitat for Humanity Board Meeting

Tues March 15:

12:00 pm – Lynchburg Daily Bread Meal Distribution

Wed March 16:

10:00 am – Pastor's Bible Study

12:00 pm – Community Lenten Worship Service

at Randolph Memorial

7:00 pm - Choir Practice

Thurs March 17:

8:30 am - Gleaning for the World

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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.

LENTEN SERVICES - WEDNESDAYS @ NOON

We are once again partnering with our friends at local churches to hold a series of Lenten worship services. Each Wednesday at noon, you're invited to join us for a 30-minute worship service to help us focus on and celebrate what God has done and is doing as we prepare for Holy Week and Easter. Each week a different church will host the services. This week it will be held at Randolph Memorial. We look forward to seeing you there!

FUN IN THE SUN INFO MEETING - SUNDAY, MARCH 13 @ 6 pm

This summer our youth group is planning to go to Fun in the Sun for a week-long camp experience near Hilton Head. Your youth will be challenged in their walk with God, as well as have the opportunity to make new friends and hear some great speakers. If you are interested in learning more, please attend our half-hour informational meeting today right before youth group.

VOLUNTEER AT GLEANING FOR THE WORLD @ 8:30 am

Please join us in the parking lot of the church for carpooling. We will return to the church around 11:30 am.

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. We are currently studying 1 Peter. We're looking forward to seeing you then!

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE - SUNDAYS @ 6:30 pm

All students in grades 4-12 are invited to join us at 6:30 pm on Sundays at the church as we work through the series "The One." Where did the idea of "finding the one" come from in the first place? What if dating in high school was less about finding "the one" and more about becoming "the one"? Whether you're dating or not, we hope you'll join us as we talk about changing our perspective and seeing who God wants *us* to be. See you there!

PASTOR'S MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY - WEDNESDAYS @ 10:00 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.

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

*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

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 1 John 4:7-21

Pastor: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON: "When Love Isn't"

SERIES: TWISTED

... This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. — 1 John 3:10

*CLOSING HYMN #477

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please Stand

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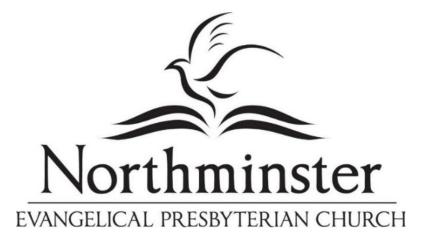
SERMON NOTES, March 13

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

⁷Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God: but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

¹³ This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴ And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. ¹⁵ If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. ¹⁶ And so we know and rely on the love God has for us.

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. ¹⁷This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. ¹⁸There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

¹⁹ We love because he first loved us. ²⁰ Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. ²¹ And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

I John 4:7-21 (ESV)