## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 3, 2022

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** 

Liturgist, John Lange

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Leader: The trumpet of the Lord sounds, calling us to examine our souls,

People: for we have not only met temptation,

we have felt its grip.

Leader: The trumpet of the Lord sounds, calling us to mend our ways,

People: for we have not only committed sin,

we have felt its sting.

Leader: The trumpet of the Lord sounds, calling us to rend our hearts,

People: for we have not only witnessed forgiveness,

we have felt its power.

O come, let us worship the Lord!

\*OPENING HYMN #108

Come Christians Join To Sing

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*PRAISE SONG

As It Is In Heaven

# **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

God of comfort and mercy, you sent your prophets to proclaim, "Make straight in the wilderness a highway for our God." We confess we have not done as you asked; instead, we have sinned in thoughts, words, and deeds by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

IA time of silent confession!

In your mercy, forgive us, O Lord; help us to proclaim your message. Equip us to walk more faithfully in the footsteps of Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever. Amen.

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

# 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: <a href="www.npcmh.com">www.npcmh.com</a>, and on Facebook: <a href="www.npcmh.com">www.facebook.com/npcmh</a>

# CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

#### Today:

9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages11:00 am - Worship6:30-7:45 pm - Sunday Night Live

## Tues April 5:

**12:00 pm –** Lynchburg Daily Bread Meal Distribution

## Wed April 6:

**10:00 am -** Pastor's Bible Study

**12:00 pm –** Community Lenten Worship Service at Madison Heights Christian Church

**6:00 pm -** MOE Committee Meeting

7:00 pm - Choir Practice

# Next Sun April 10, Palm Sunday:

9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages 11:00 am - Worship 6:30-7:45 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.

#### **LENTEN SERVICES - WEDNESDAY @ NOON**

This is the final week for our Lenten services as we partner with our friends at local churches. Please join us Wednesday at noon for a 30-minute worship service to help us focus on and celebrate what God has done as we prepare for Holy Week and Easter. This final Lenten service will be held at Madison Heights Christian Church. We look forward to seeing you there!

#### INQUIRERS CLASS - SUNDAYS, APRIL 24-MAY 15 @ 9:45 am

Would you like to know more about our church? Are you interested in the possibility of becoming a member? Then this 4-week class is for you. Taught by Pastor David, it will give you the opportunity to hear about our church, the denomination we belong to, and where we see God leading us.

# SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE - SUNDAYS @ 6:30 pm

Youth in grades 4-12 are invited to join us for our new study, "What is the Gospel?" The word "Gospel" means "good news," but hearing something is good and knowing why it's good are two very different things. As we take a closer look at the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we'll find that the Good News of Easter may be bigger, bolder, and better than we ever imagined. We hope to see you tonight!

# 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.

## **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

Palm Sunday, April 10 – 11:00 am Worship Service Good Friday, April 15 – 7:30 pm Service Easter Sunday, April 17 – 7:30 am Sunrise Service 11:00 am Worship Service

Sign up on the bulletin board to purchase Easter lilies in honor of or memory of loved ones. Use the forms and envelopes provided. The cost is \$7.50 each, and the deadline to sign up/pay is April 10. Please use a separate form for each lily you wish to purchase.

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — Apostle's Creed

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

Congregation: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

**ANTHEM** 

In Love Christ Walked Among Us by Joseph Martin

# 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:** 

Romans 5:1-8

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

SERMON:

"Got Hope?" SERIES: TWISTED

And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. — Romans 5:5

#### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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

\*CLOSING HYMN #517

The Solid Rock

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

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## **SERMON NOTES, April 3**

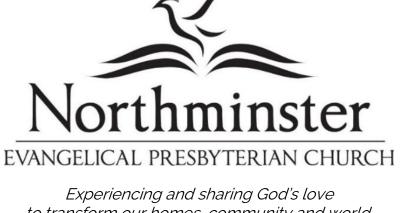
**SCRIPTURE:** 

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to transform our homes, community and world.

**5** Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup> Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— 8 but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners. Christ died for us.

Romans 5:1-8 (ESV)

Pastor, David Garrison

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