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.**

**GLEANING FOR THE WORLD – Postponed**

 We will not be going to Gleaning for the World this week due to a scheduling conflict at Gleaning. We are trying to reschedule for July.

**WOMEN’S BOOK CLUB – FRIDAY July 22 @ 10:00 am**

The Women’s Book Club will meet on **Friday, July 22, at 10 a.m. at Vonnie Rucker’s**. They are reading the book *Britt-Marie Was Here: A Novel* by [Fredrik Backman](https://www.amazon.com/Fredrik-Backman/e/B00KV5TN4I/ref%3Ddp_byline_cont_book_1). When a fussy, awkward busy body finds herself in a small, backwater town, there’s sure to be a story, especially when that woman is asked to coach the town’s losing children’s soccer team. All women are welcome to join us!

**YOUTH EVENTS FOR THE SUMMER**

Summer fun isn’t over yet, even though the youth are back from Fun In The Sun camp! Be watching your newsletter and bulletin for one-day upcoming events!

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

 Join us in the Fellowship Hall from 9:45-10:45 am as we explore God’s Word together and are encouraged in our walk with the Lord. Bob Mills is currently leading a series on education and the church.

**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.

**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](http://www.npcmh.com), and on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/npcmh](http://www.facebook.com/npcmh)

Calendar for the Coming Week

**Today, July 17:**

**9:45 am –** Sunday School for all ages

 **11:00 am –** Worship

 **12:15 pm –** Fellowship and Refreshments

**Tuesday, July 19:**

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

**Wednesday, July 20:**

**6:00 pm –** Choir Practice

**Friday, July 22:**

**10:00 am –** Women’s Book Club

**Next Sunday, July 24:**

**9:45 am –** Sunday School for all ages

 **11:00 am –** Worship

 **12:15 pm –** Fellowship and Refreshments

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**SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY**

**July 17, 2022**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** —based on Psalm 27; John 4:23

Leader: Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.
**People: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.**Leader: We desire to live in God’s house
 and to seek God in his holy temple.
**People: We have come with shouts of joy,
 to sing and to make music to the Lord.**
Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.
**People: Teach us your ways and make straight our**

 **paths in this hour of worship and always.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #2** Holy, Holy, Holy

**\* OPENING PRAYER**

**\* PRAISE SONG** Jesus, I Come

**GUIDED PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** — Westminster Confession of Faith 2.2

**We believe that God has all life, glory, goodness, and blessedness in and of himself. He alone is all-sufficient in and unto himself, nor does he need any of his creations or derive any glory from them. Rather, he manifests his own glory in, by, unto, and on them. He is the only source of all being, by whom, through whom, and to whom everything exists. He has completely sovereign dominion over all things and does with, to, or for them whatever he pleases. Everything is revealed and completely open to him. His knowledge is infinite, infallible, and does not depend on any created being, so that to him nothing is conditional or uncertain. He is completely holy in all his purposes, works, and commands. To him is due whatever worship, service, or obedience he is pleased to require from angels, human beings, and all other creatures.  AMEN.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Go Down, Moses

Arr. by Mark Hayes

**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**

 **\*Offertory Response — “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:** Hebrews 4:1-13

*Pastor: The Word of the Lord*

***People: Thanks be to God***

**SERMON*: “The Fifth Gospel”***

*Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one*

*may fall by the same sort of disobedience. — Hebrews 4:11*

**\*CLOSING HYMN #634** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**



*Experiencing and sharing God’s love*

*to transform our homes, community and world.*

**4**Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. **2**For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened.[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb+4%3A1-13&version=ESV#fen-ESV-30000a)] **3**For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath,
‘They shall not enter my rest,’”

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. **4**For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” **5**And again in this passage he said,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

**6**Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, **7**again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts.”

**8**For if Joshua had given them rest, God[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb+4%3A1-13&version=ESV#fen-ESV-30006b)] would not have spoken of another day later on. **9**So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, **10**for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

**11**Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. **12**For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. **13**And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

 — Hebrews 4:1-13 (ESV)

**SERMON NOTES, July 17**

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