

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

September 10, 2023Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Liturgist: John Lange  
Leader: Leader: Let us worship the eternal God,  
the source of love and life, who creates us.  
**People: Let us worship Jesus Christ,  
the risen one, who lives among us.**  
Leader: Let us worship the Spirit,  
the holy fire, who renews us.  
**People: To the one true God be praise in all times and places,  
through the grace of Jesus Christ.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #356** All Creatures of Our God and King

\*OPENING PRAYER

**\*SONG** Better is One Day

GUIDED PRAYER

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** — Philippians 2:5-11  
We believe in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**ANTHEM** Come, Let Us Join  
*Composer: Joseph M. Martin; Words: Isaac Watts*

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), on Facebook/[npcmh](https://www.facebook.com/npcmh), and YouTube: [www.youtube.com/@npcmh](https://www.youtube.com/@npcmh).

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10-17


**Sunday, September 10:**  
**9:00 am** – Sunday School  
**10:00 am** – Coffee & Conversation  
**10:30 am** – Worship  
**6:30 pm** – Youth Group

**Tuesday, September 12:**  
**12:00 pm** – Lynchburg Daily Bread Meal Distribution

**Wednesday, September 13:**  
**12:00 pm** – Midweek Prayer Time

**Thursday, September 14:**  
**1:30 pm** – Session Meeting

**Next Sunday, September 17:**  
**9:00 am** – Sunday School  
**10:00 am** – Coffee & Conversation  
**10:30 am** – Worship  
**6:30 pm** – Youth Group


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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.

**JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL**

If you’re looking for an opportunity to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ, we encourage you to join us Sunday mornings for a intergenerational Sunday school class, from 9:00-10:00. We look forward to seeing you!

**MIDWEEK PRAYER – WEDNESDAYS @ Noon**

Please join us on Wednesdays at noon for a time of prayer in the sanctuary as we bring our needs before our loving God.

**YOUTH MINISTRY FALL KICKOFF – SUNDAY. 9/10, 6:30PM**

Youth Group resumes on Sunday, September 10 here at Northminster. All students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us for a fun evening of games, activities and Bible study. See you there!

**MISSION FOCUS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER**

Our focus for the month of August is **Neighbors Helping Neighbors**. NHN has a selective food warehouse that provides “guests” with the opportunity to shop for their groceries; it’s open the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays from 8:00-10:30 am. If you would like to donate funds to help Neighbors Helping Neighbors, please specify “NHN” on your check memo line. See the newsletter for more information. Thank you for your support!

**DISASTER RELIEF DONATIONS**

When disaster strikes locally or abroad (such as the Maui wildfire or Hurricane Idalia, and you would like to contribute to the recovery efforts through the work of the church, you may do so by putting “Disaster” in the memo/note field of your donation, or by going to <https://epc.org/donate/emergencyrelief/>. Relief funds are distributed through local EPC churches in the impacted communities so the aid goes to those who need it most.

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