

under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

Keep Your Lamps

From the new Presbyterian Hymnal

*THE DOXOLOGY

GO FAITHFULLY

*HYMN 379

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

*Indicates the People Standing

MSB refers to yellow Memorial Song Book

Ushers

Sarah Godsey, Dave Snider, John and Lee Ann Kabana

Acolytes

Mia Esworthy, Maggie Graybill

WE WELCOME OUR GUEST PREACHER, Dr. W. D. Hasty back to our pulpit this morning, while Russ is visiting ailing family in Arizona. We look forward to Dr. Hasty's leadership and message.

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Welcome to Christ's Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

GATHER JOYFULLY

THE PRELUDE

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR PRAYER AND PREPARATION

Isaiah 12; Malachi 4:1-2a; II Thessalonians 3:6-13

BUILDING THE BODY OF CHRIST

THE PASSING OF PEACE

THE GATHERING HYMN 473 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies, For the
love which from our birth Over and around us lies, Lord of all, to
Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Minister: The day is coming, says the Lord,

Congregants: when evil will be utterly consumed.

Minister: Surely the Lord is our salvation.

Congregants: Trust in God, do not be afraid.

Minister: Let us worship God.

THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION (unison)

Holy God, Your Word

is our wisdom and our strength,

our saving truth in times of trouble.

Give us the courage to contend with evil

and to resist easy answers and compromises,

so that we may testify to Your glory

at the coming of Christ our Savior,

in whose blessed name we pray. Amen.

* HYMN 478 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sovereign God, we confess

that we have not turned away from sin.

We hear of terror and tribulation,

trouble and turmoil throughout the world,
yet we forget Your promise of salvation.
We see signs of destruction
and seek to save ourselves from harm,
rather than relying on Your guidance.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Give us strength to endure
every trial that is set before us,
always testifying to Your saving love.
Hear these our silent prayers.

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Minister)

Our God is merciful and mighty,
merciful in His judgement and faithful in His promises.
In Christ, He makes us new, whole, and free.
Hear the good news: we are forgiven!
Praise be to God!

*PRAISE RESPONSE *Hallelujah! Sing Praise* Verse 1 (music sheet in pews)

GROW SPIRITUALLY

THE FIRST LESSON Psalm 98

¹ O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gained him victory. ² The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations. ³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. ⁴ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. ⁵ Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord. ⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it. ⁸ Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy ⁹ at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE 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.

ANTHEM

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Hal Hopson

THE CHILDRENS MESSAGE / NO JP'S TODAY

THE SECOND LESSON Luke 21:5-19

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' ⁷Signs and Persecutions⁷ They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' ⁸And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.' ⁹'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' ¹⁰Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. ¹²'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹Whoever endures to the end will be saved.

name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

THE SERMON COMMITMENT AND ENDURANCE Dr. W. D. Hasty

*HYMN 101 *When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered

Announcements

Ushers for November 20, 2016 –

Lynn Kirby would like to thank Susan Lockard, Debbie Newman, Mia Esworthy, Audrey Hayes, Maggie Graybill, Dana Esworthy, and Kathy Baker for helping with the Operation Christmas Child packing party. We packed 29 boxes for Operation Christmas Child with 8 young children. I couldn't have done it without you!

The C.E. Committee wants to thank Kathy Baker for heading up our Veteran's Day lunch. The food was delicious and the fellowship was enjoyable. We want to remember and thank all who have served and serve our country today.

Stan Lanford wants to thank Northminster congregation for their prayers and thoughts during his recent hospitalization.

THANK YOU to everyone for your thoughts and prayers during my recent medical crisis. It felt good to know that my church family was with me. I truly appreciate each of you and your kindness. Judy Moore

Apple Butter was another great success this year and enjoyed by everyone. Thanks to all who helped out and thanks to all who support our efforts by purchasing the finished product. Proceeds go to the Christian Education Committee for youth activities. We're certain you'll enjoy the fruits of our labors (pun intended) while the memories made will last long after the last jar has been scrapped clean!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS to help provide transportation to church each Sunday for some of our members who could not otherwise attend. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact the Minister.

ALL WORSHIPPERS ARE ENCOURAGED to sit towards the front of the sanctuary, to help build a truly worshipping community with everyone gathered together in praise.

Following our usual custom Sunday, Nov. 20 will be "Pies for Rescue Mission". Bring pies in any form and of any kind to church on that Sunday. They can use freshly homemade, frozen, or "store boughten" kind. If you forget on Sunday, just get them to the kitchen by noon on Monday. I will pick them up for delivery to the Rescue Mission after 12:00 on Monday.

A COLD WEATHER CLOTHES COLLECTION DRIVE will be held for the refugees and immigrants of Blue Ridge Literacy through the month of November. Please bring cold weather clothing for any age group---especially women and children---to the church, and Blue Ridge Literacy staff will take the clothing to those in need.

Presbyterian Women – The new year for the Presbyterian Women will start January 2017. Work on the year book has started and I will be gathering information on the circles. If you are not a circle member now, I encourage you to join one this coming year. It is a great opportunity for you to become more involved in our Church activities. We have two circles, a morning circle that meets at the Church and a night circle that meets in the homes of members. The meetings usually have a Bible study, short business session and of course refreshments and a time to socialize. Call Elise Lanford at 366-7818 if you are interested in joining us this year. If you are a circle member now and your phone number or address has changed or you want to change circles, please let me know. This information is needed by mid-November.

Calendar

Today 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Morning Worship

Monday 6:00 pm C.E. Committee Meeting

	5:30 pm	Memorial Bells
	6:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Bible Study
Next Sunday	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Morning Worship / Communion

IF YOU HAVE A NEED OF THE INTERIM MINISTER, you can reach him at 493-9622, or at rmerritt@brlit.org, or leave a message at the church office. If you do not reach him, leave a message and he will get back to you as soon as possible. (Please do not send him a text--he does not understand that technology!)

Let us keep those listed below in our prayers.

Members

Jesse Amos	Laura Blackwell	Bobby Brammer
Kara Moretz Campbell	Eloise Dunagan	Mary Donato
Barry Ferrell	Ella Guntner	Tom Hale
Jake Hayes	Betty Hinkle	Rose Howard
Atwood Huff	Mary Ann Huff	Nancy Maile
Betty McFadden	Mac Pace	Sarah Plymale
Dot Seigler	Sandy Smith	Frances Stevens
Harley Walker	George Wingeier	Shirley Wynn

Friends and Family

Hayley Guthrie – (Grand-daughter of Sheila Guthrie)
 Cindy Lanford – (daughter-in-law of Stan and Elise Lanford)
 Mike Duckworth – (brother-in-law of Holly Woodson)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

PHONE: (540) 366-8115

Russ Merritt, Interim Minister	Melissa Hudson, Music Director
Susie Tallmage, Secretary	Lauren Godsey, Nursery Attendant

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THE SESSION *
 Clerk of Session: Holly Woodson

Class of 2016: Kathy Baker, Sarah Godsey, Greg Cundiff, Chuck Lockard, Tom Olsen

Class of 2017: Lynn Kirby, Judy Ferrell, Matt Graybill, Bob Newman, Dave Snider

Class of 2018: Dana Esworthy, Barry Ferrell, Jyke Jones, Stan Lanford, Ann Pace