

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

*April Twenty third the Year of Our Lord
Two Thousand Seventeen*

Second Sunday of Easter

*Indicates the People Standing

Ushers

Emily Allen, Matt and Susan Graybill, Jyke Jones

Acolytes

Maggie Graybill, Audrey Hayes

GATHER JOYFULLY

THE PRELUDE

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR PRAYER AND PREPARATION

Psalm 16; I Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

(Congregants are encouraged to read and reflect upon these passages
as they prepare for worship.)

BUILDING THE BODY OF CHRIST

THE PASSING OF PEACE

THE GATHERING HYMN 248 (Verse 1) *Hymn to Joy*

**Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days! Christ is risen! Hush in wonder:
All creation is amazed. In the desert all surrounding, See, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding Bring a taste of love unknown.**

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Minister: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

Congregants: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Minister: Peace be with you, for Jesus stands among us.

**Congregants: Peace be also with you,
for the risen Lord is here!**

Minister: Let us worship God!

THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION (unison)

Blessed are You,

O God of our Lord Jesus Christ,

in whom we receive the legacy of living hope,

born again not only from his death,

but especially from his resurrection.

May we who have received forgiveness of our sins

Announcements

Ushers for April 30, 2017 –

THE NORTHMINSTER FAMILY SHARES ITS LOVE AND SUPPORT with The Guntner family, following the death of Ella Guntner this past week. We praise God for His many blessings, including the assurance of Ella's heavenly welcome.

Thanks to all the kids who participated in the Easter egg hunt and for those folks who donated candy.

THE SESSION WILL MEET for its regular monthly meeting today Sunday, April 23, 2017 following the worship service.

The P.W. Meeting has been cancelled for Tuesday April 25th.

Please get Newsletter items for the May/June Newsletter to Debbie Newman at dnewstamp4u@cox.net by Wednesday, April 26th.

Make plans now to join us Sunday April 30th, for a special worship service that will include the results of the membership survey regarding the potential direction of our church. Following the service, we will enjoy a light lunch in the Fellowship Hall followed by a question and answer session. A nursery will be provided for all of the above and don't worry about bringing food – everything will be provided!

Northminster Presbyterian is celebrating our 75th anniversary in 2017. The worship committee is planning a homecoming celebration on Sunday, October 1st with a special service and luncheon to follow the service. If you have a special person you want to be invited, please give the name and address to Judy Ferrell. When we have finalized the plans, we will let everyone know!!

There will be a Spiritual Growth Weekend on April 28-29 at Second Presbyterian Church in Roanoke. Carl McColman will be the speaker. Mr. McColman is the author of several books on Christian spirituality. He is passionate about helping Christians find greater joy and purpose in their faith through the practice of daily prayer. More information is located on the bulletin board outside the church office.

The Synod Men's Conference will be held at the Massanetta Springs Conference Center from July 14-16. For more information, see the brochure located outside of the church office. You can also visit www.midatlanticmen.org.

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.

"Devotional booklets and daily scripture reading guides can be found in the hallway outside the fellowship hall in the new wall racks and on the table. Current and past copies of devotional booklets including, *These Days* and *The Upper Room* are available. Please help yourself to any of these excellent publications."
The 2017 Flower Calendar has been placed on the bulletin board outside the Church Office.

Calendar

Today	9:45 am 11:00 am 12:15 pm	Sunday School Morning Worship Session Meeting
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir
Next Sunday	9:45 am 11:00 am	Sunday School Morning Worship

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

Let us keep those listed below in our prayers.

Members

Bobby Brammer	Kara Moretz Campbell	Eloise Dunagan
Barry Ferrell	Tom Hale	Michael Hambrick
Jake Hayes	Betty Hinkle	Rose Howard
Atwood Huff	Mary Ann Huff	Jim Maile
Nancy Maile	Jace Newman	Mac Pace
Sandy Smith	Frances Stevens	George Wingeier
Shirley Wynn		

Friends and Family

Hayley Guthrie – (Grand-daughter of Sheila Guthrie)
Cindy Lanford – (daughter-in-law of Stan and Elise Lanford)

*THE SESSION *

Clerk of Session: Holly Woodson

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
Class of 2019: Margie Cundiff, John Kabana, Allen Kling, Sarah Plymale,
Holly Woodson

