

GO FAITHFULLY

*HYMN 31 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

MSB refers to yellow Memorial Song Book
*Indicates the People Standing

Ushers

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

*January First the Year of Our Lord
Two Thousand Seventeen*

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY

GATHER JOYFULLY

THE PRELUDE

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR PRAYER AND PREPARATION

Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm, 148; Hebrews 2:10-18

(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 *Go Tell it on the Mountain*

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere, Go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born!

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Minister: There is good news of great joy for all.

Congregants: Our Savior is born: Messiah, the Lord.

Minister: I will proclaim the gracious deeds of God.

Congregants: The steadfast love of the Lord is great.

Minister: Let us worship God.

THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION (unison)

We sing out in praise, O Holy One of Israel.

You have come among us, incarnate,

You have taken our burdens on Yourself,

You have lifted us over hard places in life,

You have given us life through Your sacrifice.

Give us open hearts this day and this year,

so that we might embrace

the love You share with us,

the love we are called to share with others.

Through Christ we pray. Amen.

Announcements

Ushers for January 8, 2017 –

We light the Baptismal Candle today to remember **Kallie Jean Cameron** who was presented for baptism by her parents, Kevin & Emma on January 3, 2016.

It is our hope that Kevin & Emma have felt the prayers of the church in raising Kallie in the Christian faith in South Carolina.

Circle 2 will meet Tuesday, January 3, at 7:00 pm with Hope Hale.

Circle 1 will meet Tuesday, September 13, at 10:00 am at the church.

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.

Inclement weather policy for Sunday Morning Services:

Russ will make the decision to cancel church services due to inclement weather. He will notify WSLS-10 and WDBJ-7 to announce a cancellation of services. He will also notify Judy Ferrell so that she can send out an email to those who are currently on the the Northminster email distribution list. If you have an email address and are not currently receiving the Northminster emails, please let Judy (ferrells6@cox.net) know so that you can be added to the list.

Calendar

Today	9:45 am 11:00 am	Sunday School Morning Worship
Monday	5:00 pm	Worship Committee Meeting
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Circle 2 with Hope Hale
Next Sunday	9:45 am 11:00 am	Sunday School Morning Worship / Communion

Let us keep those listed below in our prayers.

Members

Bobby Brammer	Kara Moretz Campbell	Eloise Dunagan
Barry Ferrell	Ella Guntner	Tom Hale
Jake Hayes	Betty Hinkle	Rose Howard
Atwood Huff	Mary Ann Huff	Stan Lanford
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)
Mike Duckworth – (brother-in-law of Holly Woodson)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 12:30 pm
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Russ Merritt, Interim Minister
Susie Tallmage, Secretary
Melissa Hudson, Music Director
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