

GO FAITHFULLY

*HYMN 39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

*Indicates the People Standing

We welcome and thank C.W. Markham today, our guest musician.

If standing is difficult, please remain seated. Larger print bulletins are available.

Ushers

Barry and Judy Ferrell, Bob Newman, Dave Snider

Communion Servers

Emily Allen, Margie Cundiff, Judy Ferrell, Lynn Kirby, Stan Lanford

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by the Presbyterian Women to the glory of God and in memory of members who have entered the Church Triumphant.

WE WELCOME YOU TO WORSHIP! You are special, because God brought you here today. Together we celebrate and rejoice in God's blessings in our lives!

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

July Eight the Year of Our Lord

Two Thousand Eighteen

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

GATHER JOYFULLY

THE PRELUDE

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR PRAYER AND PREPARATION

II Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Ezekiel 2:1-5; II Corinthians 12:2-10

(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 408 *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!

Congregants: His steadfast love endures forever.

Minister: God's grace is sufficient for all our lives.

Congregants: In Christ, the weak are made strong.

Minister: Come, let us worship God.

THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION (unison)

Creator of all that is, Your creation sings Your praise.

Shepherd of all that lives, Your loving care is boundless.

Redeemer of all that is broken, Your love everlasting.

We gather this day to be fed from Your Word,

to be nourished by Your Spirit,

to be strengthened in Your grace.

Bless our worship, and touch our hearts with Your presence.

Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

* HYMN 662 *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Holy and righteous God, we confess
that we have not lived to Your glory,
nor have we followed the path You provide.
You have sent prophets to teach us,
but too often we have not listened to them.
You have sent Your Son to bring us salvation,
but we have ignored Your Word for life.
Forgive us, God of grace and mercy.
By Your power, work within us,
remove our unfaithfulness, wash us in Your goodness,
and restore us to a right relationship with You.
Hear these our silent prayers.**

*THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Minister)

* RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Glory Be to the Father Hymn 581

Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

GROW SPIRITUALLY

THE FIRST READING GOD'S WORD Psalm 123

¹ To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

² As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, until he has mercy upon us. ³ Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.

⁴ Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE/CHILDREN LEAVE FOR JP'S

THE SECOND READING OF GOD'S WORD Mark 2:15-17

¹⁵ And as he sat at dinner in Levi's house, many tax-collectors and sinners were also sitting with Jesus and his disciples—for there were many who followed him. ¹⁶When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax-collectors, they said to his disciples, 'Why does he eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' ¹⁷When Jesus heard this, he said to them, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

COMMUNION MEDITATION

GOOD FOR WHAT AILS YOU

Dr. Russ Merritt

*HYMN 727 (Verses 1, 2 and 5) *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* (unison)

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 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

*THE DOXOLOGY

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to The Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving / 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.

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer after Communion

Announcements

Ushers for July 15, 2018 – Jyke Jones, Susan Lockard, Mac and Ann Pace

A NEW MEN’S PROGRAM will begin this Wednesday! We will be meeting at Golden Corral for breakfast at 8:00. If you are interested in joining this new ministry, contact Stan Lanford (366-7818).

"Hunger Buster" bags will be handed out this morning for the Presbyterian Community Center. Please return the bags with some of the suggested food items on July 15th, and they will be delivered to the PCC that week. Your gift can make a difference for struggling people who are clients at the Center.

The Mission Committee is going to be collecting **USED** ink cartridges. They can be business or personal ones. We will be donating them to RAM. A plastic container has been placed in the Vestibule area. We will be collecting them till the end of the year or as long as RAM is asking for them. Thanks in advance for your donation of used ink cartridges.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE begins at 10:30, and extends through the end of August. All services will be informal.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL for adults and youth ages 10 and up focuses on “Bible 101” a special class introducing Bible study for all levels of learners. Class begins at 9:30 each Sunday through the summer.

Today	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Summer Worship/Communion
Monday	6:00 pm	C.E. Committee Meeting
Next Sunday	9:30am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Summer Worship

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Ministers...Members of Northminster

Let us keep those listed below in our prayers.

Members

Bobby Brammer	Betty Dixon	Michael Hambrick
Jake Hayes	Betty Hinkle	Lois Hopkins
Jane Horeis	Rose Howard	Tom Kirby
Margie Lemon	Jim Maile	Floyd Moretz
Jenny Nabywaniec	Ramona Ortiz	Ann Pace
Mac Pace	Buddy Smith	Karen Smith
Sandy Smith	Frances Stevens	Jo Ann Threlkeld
Bill Waddell	George Wingeier	Shirley Wynn

Friends and Family

Mike Duckworth-(Holly Woodson’s brother-in-law)
Cindy Lanford – (daughter-in-law of Stan and Elise Lanford)

***THE SESSION ***

Clerk of Session: Holly Woodson
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
Class of 2020: Bob Bielawski, Frankie Bielawski, Lynn Kirby, Bob Newman,
Dave Snider

10:30 am

Summer Worship