

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

February 6, 2022
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

GATHER JOYFULLY

THE PRELUDE

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR PRAYER AND PREPARATION

Micah 6:1-8; I Corinthians 8:1-13; Luke 4:21-30

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

BUILDING THE BODY OF CHRIST

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

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
Who has made the heavens and the earth.

**Congregants: This is the day that the Lord has made,
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Minister: Sing with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**Congregants: Worship the Lord with gladness,
and come into His presence with singing!**

Minister: Come, let us worship our God.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND CONFESSION (unison)

**God of all glory, You have brought light out of darkness.
You have raised Jesus Christ from the darkness of death,
and You have shone light into the darkness of our lives.
All our deeds and thoughts, all our secrets and desires
are open to You and Your presence.**

**Cleanse our spirits now by the inspiration of Your Spirit,
that we may perfectly love and worship You,
and worthily magnify Your holy name.**

Hear these our silent prayers.

(Worshippers will enter a time of silent prayer.)

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE HYMN 439 *O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer* (Psalm 103) Verse 3

Far as east from west is distant,
God has put away our sin;
like the pity of a father
has the Lord's compassion been.

GROW SPIRITUALLY

THE FIRST READING OF GOD'S WORD Psalm 14

¹ Fools say in their hearts, 'There is no God.' They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good. ² The Lord looks down from heaven on humankind to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God. ³ They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse; there is no one who does good, no, not one. ⁴ Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not call upon the Lord? ⁵ There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the company of the righteous. ⁶ You would confound the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge. ⁷ O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion! When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM *The Foolish in Their Hearts Deny*, Psalm 14 (Hymn 335)

THE SECOND READING OF GOD'S WORD Jeremiah 32:6-15

⁶ Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: ⁷ Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.' ⁸ Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord. ⁹ And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. ¹⁰ I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. ¹¹ Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; ¹² and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. ¹³ In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, ¹⁴ Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. ¹⁵ For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

HYMN OF COMMITMENT 450 *Be Thou My Vision* (Verses 1 and 2)

*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.

CELEBRATION OF 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

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Dedication

GO FAITHFULLY

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 853 *We Are Marching in the Light of God*

THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

OUR SERVICE

*Indicates the People Standing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Circle 1 meets Tuesday, February 8th at the Church.

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP IN MEMORIAL of Rose Howard, and as witness to the resurrection, will be held this coming Saturday at noon, in the Fellowship Hall.

We will **NOT** be collecting used printer cartridges anymore. RAM is no longer involved in this project. If you know of anywhere else where they can be recycled, please contact Holly Woodson. Thank you for your participation in this recycling project.

JUST A REMINDER: there are boxes in the narthex to recycle your bulletins.

Calendar

Today	10:00 – 10:45 am 11:00 am	Sunday School Morning Worship / Communion
Tuesday	10:00 am	Circle 1
Next Sunday	10:00 – 10:45 am 11:00 am	Sunday School Morning Worship

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If you or someone you know should be included in the list of those needing special prayer, please contact the Minister. If prayers have been answered and we can celebrate God's goodness by removing your name from the list, let the Minister know.

Let us keep those listed below in our prayers.

Members

Jessee Amos	Ann Bailey	Bill Bailey
Frances Bowling	Bobby Brammer	Jim Cregger
Barry Ferrell	Michael Hambrick	Jake Hayes
Barbara Jones	Dennis Kincer	Reba Kling
Bob Lancaster	Stan Lanford	Homer Linton
Chuck Lockard	Susan Lockard	Floyd Moretz
Ann Pace	Mac Pace	Ken Riding
Buddy Smith	Sandy Smith	Helen Taylor
Jo Ann Threlkeld		

Friends and Family

Joaquin Bielawski
Donna Betters (Sherry Moses)
Terry Foss (Sherry Moses)
John Morris (Sherry Moses)

***THE SESSION ***

Clerk of Session: Holly Woodson

Elders: Pam Claterbaugh, Richard Claterbaugh, Trent Cundiff, Matt Graybill, Joe Gwitt, Tom Hale, Gary Harris, Vee Hayes, Jyke Jones, Daniel Kirby, Lynn Kirby, Sherry Moses, Debbie Newman, Dora Slee, Gayle Wise