

## **CHURCH NOTES – FEBRUARY 10, 2019**

### ***THIS WEEK AT NORTHMINSTER***

Mon. –Thurs. 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. church office hours

Sunday 10:00 am Worship  
11:15am Education and Fellowship Ministry Team Meeting  
Justice, Mission, and Congregational Care Meeting  
Stewardship Ministry Team Meeting  
7:00 pm All Addictions Anonymous

Monday 4:30-5:30pm Coffee Chats (*Café Gouda*)  
6:00 Mary Cater Circle

Tuesday 11:00 am Meals on Wheels  
5:30 pm AA  
6:15 pm Yoga  
7:00 pm Al-Anon

Wednesday 11:00 am Staff Meeting  
5:15-6:15 pm Dinner  
6:15-7:15 pm Classes for all ages  
7:15-8:15 pm Choir  
8:15-9:00 pm Handbells

Thursday 5:30 pm Cardio Drumming Fitness

We're glad that God has called you here today. If you are a visitor to the congregation, we give you our sincere welcome. If you do not have a church home in this area and would like to know more about this church, please speak to an usher on your way out, or call the church office, 324-6634.

The Elder of the Month is *Michele Francois*. The worship reader today is *Linda King-VanBenschoten*. Ministering to our children in Children's Church are *Kris Stewart and Ginger Sermons*. The cash counter is *Josh Ring*.

A fellowship time immediately follows worship each Sunday. You are cordially invited to remain for this special time which is hosted today by *Garland and Laurie Hughes*.

This morning's liturgy comes from a variety of sources and inspirations including *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*, Joanna Harder's *Spacious Faith*, and the Presbyterian Church (USA)'s Book of Confessions.

The flowers in the sanctuary are in honor of Juanita Clark's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, given by her children.

morning! We give thanks for Rev. Cockerham's ministry in the Presbytery of Western North Carolina and for sharing God's Word with us here at Northminster this morning. Our pastor, Rev. Isola, is away on study leave and will be back in the office on Monday afternoon.

**The following ministry teams are meeting this morning:**

Education & Fellowship Ministry Team (DCE Office) and the Justice & Mission Ministry Team (Small Meeting Room of Ed. Bldg). **You are invited and encouraged to speak to one of the elders on the ministry team if you are interested in getting involved.**

**Education & Fellowship Ministry Team:** Elders Samantha Crabtree, Caite McKinney and Josh Ring with staff support from Interim Director of Christian Education Garrett Baker. If you'd like to help in supporting our educational offerings on Wednesday evenings and other times throughout the year, work to plan a fellowship event, get involved with summer education programs or participate in a Beloved Community Group this Lenten season, this is the ministry team to join! The Education & Fellowship Ministry Team often meets the second Sunday of the month in the Interim DCE office, which is located in the office/fellowship hall building.

**Justice, Mission & Congregational Care Ministry Team:** Elders Sarah Felts, Linda King-VanBenschoten and Bonnie Shearer. The Justice & Mission Ministry team works to extend the ministry of Northminster beyond our walls and campus to the surrounding community and the world. Funds from this ministry team budget support local organizations like the Hickory Soup Kitchen, Cooperative Christian Ministries, Habitat for Humanity, the Catawba Valley Interfaith Council, More Light Presbyterians, OUTRight Youth, The Family Care Center and many others. This ministry team also supports the congregational care work of the deacons, who offer visits, meals, assist with transportation and other needs as a means of caring for our church family. If you are interested in creation care, recycling, justice work, supporting vulnerable populations in the community, assisting with meals or transportation for our congregation or planning or participating in a local mission trip, this ministry team would love to have you! The Justice, Mission & Congregational Care Ministry Team often meets the second Sunday of the month in the Small Meeting Room of the Education building.

**Worship & Welcome Ministry Team:** Elders Laura Sigmon and Dylan Youngsmith with staff support from Music Director Nathan Crabtree. The Worship & Welcome Ministry team focuses on creating meaningful Christ-centered worship experiences that are inclusive, engaging, and inspiring as well as providing a warm welcome for all who visit our campus. If you are interested in supporting our music ministry, helping to welcome guests, adding creative aspects to our worship and assisting with visual worship aides, this ministry team would welcome your participation and support! The Worship & Welcome Ministry team meets as needed, when scheduled by elders Laura Sigmon and Dylan Youngsmith.

**Stewardship Ministry Team:** Elders Richard Greathouse, Julie Luppino and Amy Rudd with staff support from Treasurer John Lundeen. The Stewardship Ministry Team consists of a number of subcommittees that provide a foundation to support the work, life and ministry of Northminster Presbyterian Church. The subcommittees include Property (Richard Greathouse); Finance (John Lundeen); Communications & Technology (Julie Luppino) and Personnel (Amy Rudd). In addition to the work of these committees, this ministry team assists with planning for our Stewardship Campaign, communicating through our website and social media, and supporting our staff. If you have a heart for caring for our property, helping us to be good stewards of our resources, or utilizing technology to communicate about Northminster's ministry, this ministry team and these committees enthusiastically request you share your gifts. Please see the elders listed for each committee if you are interested in getting more involved.

### **Adult Education Opportunity!**

Join us on Wednesday nights in February from 6:16-7:15 in the large meeting room of the Education building for Justice Education and Creation Care. What is the difference between acts of mercy and acts of justice? How can we do justice in our homes, at our jobs and here at Northminster? How do we do justice as good stewards of the creation God has given us to care for? Join us for meaningful discussion and learning together how best to care for all God has given us!

### **The menu for the February 13 Wednesday Night Dinner**

Roasted Pork Loin  
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy  
Salad  
Bread  
Dustin's Fabulous White Wine Cake

If you would like to attend a dinner but have food allergies or special dietary needs, the cook teams are always open to suggestions. Please make your reservations by calling the church office by noon on Monday (324-6634) or by responding to the dinner reservation email that you received last Thursday.

### **Did you know?**

Our congregation has a prayer shawl ministry! Knitters pray over these shawls as they are created, that whoever receives them will feel God's presence, a tangible sense of God's peace and love to warm them when they are in need. Please feel welcome to share a prayer shawl with anyone you want to feel this comforting presence, whether or not they are a member of our congregation!

You can find prayer shawls in the Narthex, along with a prayer and message to include when presenting it. Please consider signing the clipboard so we can join you in praying for the recipient. Also, if you are interested in participating in our prayer shawl ministry, please contact Kris Stewart.

**MARY CATER CIRCLE** will meet at 6pm on Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup> in the large meeting room in the education building. All women of the church are warmly invited to participate.

*Great ideas start  
with good  
coffee.*

Join Pastor Jill on  
Mondays from 4:30-  
5:30pm at Cafe Gouda for  
some great coffee!

Chat about theology,  
share a prayer request or  
just enjoy some good  
fellowship, a delicious  
beverage and support a  
great local business!



**Coffee Chat on February 11<sup>th</sup>!**