



Northminster News

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*Proclaiming God's Grace,
Creating Community,
Serving our Neighbors*

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INTERIM PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Church Family,

Before I talk about important events in April, let me say what a joy it was to welcome ten new members into the NPC community on March 16th. These folks bring a large measure of faith, hope, and love with them and will strengthen NPC's ministry immensely. And how terrific that they felt called by God to join during an interim season! This tells me that in addition to being committed to Jesus Christ, they are committed to the NPC family regardless of the status of the pastoral transition process. That is a huge positive.

OK, April. Lent concludes, of course, with Holy Week: Palm Sunday (April 13,) Maundy Thursday (April 17,) Good Friday (April 18,) and Easter (April 20.) As Advent is to Christmas, so Lent is to Holy Week. So we are in a season of preparation, perhaps using our Lenten Devotional and/or attending the Wednesday Night Bible Study on the Cross of Christ. But the main point is that we are preparing ourselves spiritually for that remarkable last

week in the earthly life of Jesus. As the Apostle Paul wrote in Philippians 2, "...though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

It is this Lord Jesus, crucified and risen, in whom we trust and serve.

Faithfully yours,

Tyler Easley, Interim Pastor

WE WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS!



Left to right: Leslie Duke, Sharon Steenrod, Michael Kullmann, Shirley McKenzie, Stan Steenrod, Norma Allison, Cathy Linder, Shirley Sketchley, Stan Linder, LeRoy Kelderman

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS AND EASTER BREAKFAST!

In this Lenten season, our children and youth are learning more about the life and works of Jesus. It all culminates with Easter – a day full of excitement over the resurrection of our Lord!

Easter morning will begin with a breakfast prepared by our children and youth, in benefit of our summer mission – the details of which are still being sorted. Next, we will all worship *together* in our celebratory worship service. This means that no childcare will be available, as we are all encouraged to gather as one body, raising our voices in one joyful noise!

As always, we would love your involvement with our Christian Education program! We need teachers and helpers for Elementary Sunday School, Preschool, and

Nursery classrooms! Please feel free to call or email with questions.



Easter breakfast crew 2013

DEACON TOILETRIES AND FOOD DRIVE THROUGH LENT



Northminster Deacons are sponsoring a drive to collect toiletries of small sizes, like hotel and travel items of lotion, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant etc.

for the homeless women's shelter, "Mary's Place". Their newsletter has other items on their Wish List which are welcome for our drive.

The Deacons want to remind you that the food bank always needs replenishing. Goods are collected in the big red bucket in the narthex. Thank you!



NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES

We have new church directories that are bright green! Please contact the church office if you would like to have one, or you may pick one up from church. There are some corrections that need to be made, so get out your pen and get ready to make the changes.

1. In B.J. Stokey and Roger Westberg's entry, please cross out the top phone number. Everything else is correct in that entry.
2. In Leslie Duke and Michael Kullmann's entry, please add another "n" to Michael's last name and email

address. They are also listed under Michael Kullmann and Leslie Duke, so please make the correction in both places. Sorry, Michael!

3. Chien-Sheng (Jason) Wu, Szu-Yu Huang and Rachel and Aquila have very recently moved to Magnolia. Their new address and phone number -

2622 W Newton St.
Seattle, WA 98199

Telephone 206-258-6858

Email: nosajuw@gmail.com

GARDEN CORNER

You may have noticed that we have no flowers in the sanctuary. During Lent we use bare branches to represent a time of reflection and waiting. The flowers will return for Easter.

As always your gift of flowers are always appreciated. You can sign up to bring flowers on the chart



in the reception room. Please note if the flowers are to commemorate a special occasion. If you would like to see flowers from your yard in the sanctuary just give me a call and I will cut them and arrange them for you.

Sheila @ 206-781-4192

JOIN US FOR HOLY WEEK, APRIL 13 — APRIL 20

Palm Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m. on April 13th

Join us in waving palms and singing Hosanna as we commemorate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Participate in our worship service, which will include scripture readings, music led by the choir, a sermon and Communion.

Maundy Thursday service, 6:30 p.m. on April 17th

Join us in the Fellowship hall downstairs for a simple soup supper and Communion as we remember Jesus' last supper with his disciples. This service will include singing a couple of simple Taizé chants, led by our choir director Kathryn Smith Derksen.

Good Friday service, 7:30pm on April 18th



Join us for this special service of personal reflection and remembering Christ's love for us. This service will feature two pieces of choral music by our very own Becky Rufin. One is Becky's composition of Dennis Hughes poem "This Night He Broke the Bread." The other is her composition "I was the One," The final piece of music will be "Carry him gently," by Beryl Red.

Easter Sunday, breakfast 9:00 a.m.' service at 10:30 a.m. on April 20th

Celebrate Easter by eating breakfast with your Northminster friends and family. The breakfast will be provided by the youth. Proceeds will benefit their mission work.

Join us for Easter Sunday worship as we rejoice in the Resurrection with Randall Thompson's "Alleluia," special music by the children's Chime choir, Communion, and singing your favorite Easter hymns.

WHAT IS "PER CAPITA" ?

"Per capita" - or "per person" appears in our church budget because it represents our fair share of the administrative costs of being Presbyterian beyond our local congregation at Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly levels.

This money enables us to work with other Presbyterian churches in our presbytery and throughout the United States, and allows us to work ecumenically with other churches to further the mission of Jesus Christ around the world.

When Presbytery meets, the costs are shared by all churches of the Presbytery, and the same holds true for the General Assembly. Funds also go to the Synod,

which was restructured with a smaller staff and reduced function, so per capita was reduced to an even \$40.00 a few years ago.

Here is exactly how this \$40.00 is distributed:

Seattle Presbytery	\$30.43
Synod	2.50
General Assembly	<u>7.02</u>
	\$40.00

Every member is encouraged to make a special offering to underwrite the Northminster share of per capita, which is paid each January to cover the year ahead.

Thank you to all who make this yearly contribution that helps sustain the local, regional and national church.

THANK YOU



A big **thanks** to all of the Northminster folks who have pitched in to help with preparing for and cleaning up after the Sunday morning coffee time,

and also to those who have brought pastries and cookies to share. Your time and efforts help provide a fun time

of fellowship and community that we can all enjoy. For those who wish to help out at coffee time, there is a sign up clipboard in the reception room. If you have never been a coffee host before, call Beth Schmidt or Russ Kintrea and they will be happy to give you the low-down on how it is done.

- The Connections Committee

THANK YOU NOTES

To my dear Church family,

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards and thoughts for me. I truly appreciate them all and the kindness you have extended to me. I am hopeful to attend church as often as my energies permit and to see so many of you.

Gratefully yours, Anne Nilsen

Dear Northminster,



Many, many thanks to all of you who sent cards, visited and offered help. It has meant a great deal and I am deeply grateful.

Sincerely, Elaine Boehmer

WOMEN'S RETREAT



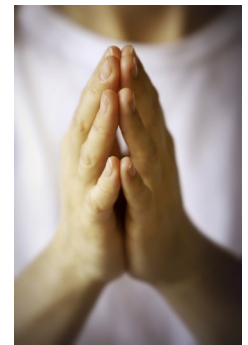
The Womens' retreat will be held at the church on May 3rd so mark your calendars. We are still finalizing details but will have information ready in early April so

you can sign up.

One idea is to have a Westminster Abbey high tea in the afternoon. If you have special teapots or cups and would like to share them that would be wonderful.

CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

Norma Allison	Morrison's daughter]	Duane and Kay	Dennis Pickell
[mother of Lisa Horowitz]	Kathy Davis [sister-in-law of Nancy Ingle]	Glasscock	Joan Stavig [friend of Sylvia King]
Elaine Boehmer	Judy Dundon [friend of Sandy Coyer]	Mary Gruenke [sister-in-law of Sylvia King]	Elsie Wassenaar
Terry Brancca [friend of Sandy Coyer]	Roberta Evans	Lena Harms	Sid and Phoebe Wold
Dick Brooking	[friend of Vera Crooks]	Vicki Mears [sister of Gary Ingle]	Dixie and Wayne Wynne
Bobbi Jo Connell	Tori Fairweather	Anne Nilsen	
[friend of Wynona		Helen Pheasant	



"1889" AND NORTHMINSTER'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY

Wild frontier Washington territory became a State in 1889. Northminster was organized November 9, 1889. It was the first Presbyterian church in unsettled Ballard.

"Ballard was a newly founded town. The early town-site was cleared from Salmon Bay to what is now 58th street. North of this line spread an "impenetrable" forest. The Rev. A. J. Canney organized the church from an out-growth of a Sunday school held in a boarding house. A sawmill, boarding house, a few businesses and a limited number of scattered houses constituted the town. The original church membership was eight people."

Our Northminster will celebrate our 125th Anniversary on November 9, 2014. Please hold that date!



Does anyone have older pictures, letters, etc. they can share? Please contact Sandy Coyer.

We thank Dick Brooking for the historical account of the birth of Northminster that was written for our 100th anniversary celebration.




House in which 1st Presbyterian Church of Ballard (later known as Northminster) was organized in 1889

April, 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<u>1</u> •12:00 A.A. group	<u>2</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 6:00 Community night supper/Lenten Bible study	<u>3</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight •7:30 Choir	<u>4</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 4:15 Youth group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight	<u>5</u>
<u>6</u> • 10:30 Worship Coffee Fellowship	<u>7</u> •12:00 A.A. group	<u>8</u> •12:00 A.A. group	<u>9</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 6:00 Community night supper/last Lenten Bible study	<u>10</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight •7:30 Choir	<u>11</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 4:15 Youth group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight	<u>12</u>
<u>13</u> Palm Sunday • 10:30 Worship Coffee Fellowship	<u>14</u> •12:00 A.A. group	<u>15</u> •12:00 A.A. group	<u>16</u> •12:00 A.A. group NO COMMUNITY NIGHT SUPPER!	<u>17</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight • 6:30 Maundy Thursday Service/soup supper •7:30 Choir	<u>18</u> •12:00 A.A. group No Youth group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight • 7:30 Good Friday Service	<u>19</u>
<u>20</u> • 9:00 Easter Breakfast! • 10:30 Easter morning Worship Coffee Fellowship	<u>21</u> Office closed •12:00 A.A. group	<u>22</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 7:00 Session and Deacons Meeting	<u>23</u> •12:00 A.A. group	<u>24</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight	<u>25</u> •12:00 A.A. group • 4:15 Youth group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight	<u>26</u>
<u>27</u> • 10:30 Worship Coffee Fellowship	<u>28</u> •12:00 A.A. group	<u>29</u> •12:00 A.A. group	<u>30</u>			

LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAYS IN APRIL

April 6 Ezekiel 37:1-14 <i>Psalm 310</i> Romans 8:6-11 John 11:1-45	April 13 Matthew 21:1-11 <i>Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29</i> Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 27:11-54	April 20 Acts 10:34-43 <i>Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24</i> Colossians 3:1-4 Matthew 28:1-10	April 27 Acts 2:14a, 22-232 <i>Psalm 16</i> 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31	
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DO YOU HAVE RUMMAGE? LET'S HAVE A SALE!

Back by popular demand is the Northminster Rummage sale, tentative scheduled for **June 22nd**. As Dennis used to say: "It's time to bring back all the things you bought last year." No clothing, no furniture, and no electronics,



please. Details will follow as to when you can bring contributions to the church, because of limited storage space we won't be able to accept them until a couple of weeks prior to the sale.

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Holy Week Services at Northminster

Sunday, April 13, Palm Sunday

10:30 a.m. Worship service

Thursday, April 17, Maundy Thursday

6:30 p.m. Soup supper and service in the Fellowship Hall

Friday, April 18, Good Friday

7:30 p.m. Good Friday service

Sunday, April 20, Easter

9:00 a.m. Easter breakfast youth mission fundraiser

10:30 a.m. Easter morning worship service with communion

