



Northminster News

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Creating Community,
Serving our Neighbors*

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Dear Church Family,

As we move through this interim period together, I feel very encouraged about Northminster's current and future ministry. I believe the Interim Leadership Plan that was outlined in the last newsletter and congregational meeting will stand you in good stead as you prepare for the new season of ministry God is calling you to. As always, I exhort you to keep your church and its leadership in your prayers. And let me add too that I feel very blessed to be a part of your ministry at this time.

Couple of calendar items for you. First, on Sunday, March 2, immediately following worship, I will lead a class for those interested in membership at NPC. The class will explore the basis of church membership, Presbyterian church history, and the unique ministry of NPC. All are welcome! A light lunch will be served. Please RSVP with Pam in the church office (206-782-7867.)

Second, beginning on Wednesday, March 12, (and meeting weekly for a total of five Wednesdays) I will be teaching a Lenten Bible Study on "Jesus, Lamb of God." We will reflect together from scripture on Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross and the relevance of that sacrifice in our lives today. These Bible Studies will dovetail with Community Night, which means a meal will be available at 6:00pm. We are working on having something for children as well for these five Wednesdays. Look for more detailed announcements in the Sunday bulletin.

May our faithful God bless you richly as you seek to live your life each day as a follower of Jesus.

Warmly,

Tyler Easley, Interim Pastor

GOING GREEN



Did you know that our church currently prints or copies over 4,000 sheets of paper a month? (A lot of trees, huh?) We are

looking into ways to reduce the amount of printing and mailing we do every month and would like to hear from you. One place to start is this newsletter. Would you be amenable to having it delivered electronically to you, rather than in paper form by mail? If so, please let our Office Manager,

Pam Thompson know, at pam@northminsterpres.org or call the office, at 206-783-3402, or sign up on a sheet in the reception room and help us reduce our operating costs and save a tree (or a small forest)!

If you do not have a computer or email, don't despair. Just let us know. We will have some copies available at church for you to take home or for Deacons to bring to shut-ins.
- Antonio Rufin

NORTHSTAR POTLUCK LUNCH

You are invited to a NorthStar potluck lunch that will be held on Friday, February 21st at 12:00 p.m. NorthStar is a welcoming group of mature singles and couples that gather several times a



year for food, fellowship and fun. Please bring a main dish, salad or dessert to share. Parking can be difficult because the A.A. group begins at noon too, so you may want to arrive a little early!

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

As we look hopefully toward spring, we also look expectantly toward the rest of this month!

Things are still going swimmingly well in our Elementary Sunday school, as we continue to learn about Jesus and His ministry!

Youth Group has changed to a different day, as we attempt to reach the most youth! We will now meet on Tuesday afternoons, from 4:15-5:45pm, in the Tower Room. If you have questions about this change or about Youth Group in general, please feel free to contact me!
- Elyse Fairweather, CE Director

BOOK GROUP AT NORTHMINSTER

The book for discussion at our March 12th meeting will be "A Sudden Country" by Karen Fisher. This was Ms. Fisher's first book and was named several "Books to Remember" lists.

Hudson's Bay Company trader James MacLaren finds his life overturned in the winter of 1846 when his Nez Perce wife deserts him and his children die of smallpox. He searches for his wife and meets Lucy Mitchell, a remarried widow, careful mother and reluctant emigrant who is journey westward with her family. As their hidden stories and obsessions unfold, and past and cultures collide, MacLaren and Lucy must confront the people

they have been, are, and may become.

This book presents the complex relations among traders, immigrants, and Native Americans, and is above all a heroic tale of love and loss, sacrifice and understanding.

A review in the Chicago Tribune says: "Rough-hewn and exciting...highly atmospheric and gracefully executed...the new Cold Mountain. I hope you will like it as much as I do. I'll have the books available on February 12th.

- Signa Treat

INVITATION TO AN EAGLE SCOUT COURT OF HONOR!

David Rufin, Eagle Scout

We are pleased to announce that David Rufin has attained the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest honor awarded in Scouting. Please join him, his family, and fellow Troop 167 Scouts in celebration of



this great accomplishment. David's Eagle Scout Court of Honor will take place on Sunday, February 23, 2:00-3:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

Contact: Antonio Rufin, 206-781-8978, E-mail cramd@comcast.net.

GRIEF RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP

Following the recent death of my only brother, I discovered that there is a "Grief Share" support group very near to Northminster at the United Free Church at 80th and 14th Ave. NW. I had attended this Non-denominational Christian support group following my husband Bills's death, but it was way out north at Northshore Baptist Church. "Grief Share" support groups have 13 week sessions that consist of a 30 minute video and sharing with the help of a workbook

guide. There are "Grief Share" groups outside of Seattle proper galore, but this is the first inside the city of Seattle that we could find.

Sharing at these sessions is all volunteer. Some just listen, others jump right in. Tears are common and welcome. I have information cards for anyone interested.

- Georgia Kurtz

CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

Norma Allison
[mother of Lisa Horowitz]

Elaine Boehmer

Terry Brancca
[friend of Sandy Coyer]

Dick Brooking

Bobbi Jo Connell

[friend of Wynona Morrison's daughter]

Kathy Davis [sister-in-law of Nancy Ingle]

the family of Winnie Fairlamb

Tori Fairweather

Duane and Kay Glasscock

Mary Gruenke

[sister-in-law of Sylvia King]

Lena Harms

the family of Carman King [relative

of Sylvia King]

Vicki Mears [sister of Gary Ingle]

Anne Nilsen

Helen Pheasant

Dennis Pickell

Joan Stavig [friend of Sylvia King]



Elsie Wassenaar

Sid and Phoebe Wold

Ben Woldseth



FEBRUARY, 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<u>2</u> • 10:30 Worship • Coffee Fellowship	<u>3</u> • 12:00 A.A. group	<u>4</u> • 12:00 A.A. group	<u>5</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 6:00 Community night supper	<u>6</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight • 7:30Choir	<u>7</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 4:15 Youth group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight	<u>8</u>
<u>9</u> • 10:30 Worship • Coffee Fellowship	<u>10</u> • 12:00 A.A. group	<u>11</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 4:15 Youth group	<u>12</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 6:00 Community night supper	<u>13</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight • 7:30Choir	<u>14</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight 	<u>15</u>
<u>16</u> • 10:30 Worship • Coffee Fellowship	<u>17</u> Office closed all day • 12:00 A.A. group	<u>18</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 4:15 Youth group	<u>19</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 6:00 Community night supper	<u>20</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight • 7:30Choir	<u>21</u> • 12:00 A.A. group • 5:00 Ballard Ecumenical Ministry and overnight	<u>22</u>
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LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY

February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23
Micah 6:1-8	Isaiah 58:9b-12	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Elyse Fairweather will preach
Psalms 15	Psalms 112	Psalms 119:1-8	
1 Corinthians 1:18-31	1 Corinthians 2:1-12	1 Corinthians 3:1-9	
Matthew 5:1-12	Matthew 5:13-20	Matthew 5:21-37	



THANK YOU!

To all of my dear friends and members of NPC who have been so kind, Thank you all for the visits while I was in the hospital, for all your calls, and your very en-

couraging and thoughtful cards. Thank you so much for all your love and support; it means the world to me.

Love, Helen Pheasant

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR A GAME NIGHT IN MARCH!



Shake off your winter doldrums and come to Northminster on Saturday evening, March 22nd at 7PM for a night of fun and games for all ages. We'll have puzzles, cards, Pictionary and more

– something for everyone. Bring your favorite snack to share and come have some fun and fellowship. Sign up in the Reception room or RSVP to Bronwen Matthews.

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