

**Northminster Presbyterian Church**

“Caring for all with

God’s love and grace.”

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Worship service returns  
to the Sanctuary!

Sunday, September 5  
10:00 am

See Pastor’s Letter!!

# *Northminster News*

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Special Covid Pandemic Issue

August 1, 2021

Dear friends,

WE HAVE EXCITING NEWS! On September 5, we are going to resume worshipping in the Sanctuary! We have been worshipping together in the gym to give us lots of open space and air movement, but it’s time to return to our beloved sanctuary.

We will still practice safety. Most of you have been vaccinated (thank you!), but the children under 12 still can’t be vaccinated, and we have a couple of our younger members who are medically vulnerable, so even though they’ve been vaccinated, their health needs still warrant their wearing a mask, and us wearing our masks to protect them.

So, on August 29, during the last hymn, we are going to symbolically process back to the sanctuary, carrying the baptism bowl, Bible, and communion ware back. (The pulpit and communion table will magically appear during the week following!) You are invited to wear bright, joyous clothing on the 29<sup>th</sup>, and on September 5 when we gather for worship.

The Chancel Choir will be starting rehearsals on September 5 as well. The choir will meet at 9:00am on Sunday mornings to rehearse (no more Wednesday nights!). They will prepare music for that Sunday, and look at upcoming music as well.

(Continued inside.)

# CALENDAR OF CHURCH EVENTS

## Regular Events

On Summer  
Break

### Sundays

- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School - Room 11  
10:00 am Streaming Worship - Gym/Parking Lot/Online

### Tuesdays

- 10:00 am Women's Bible Study (Last summer one 8/3)

### Wednesdays

- 3:30 pm F.L.O.C.K. - Ministry Center/Zoom ✓  
5:30 pm Youth Connection - Geneva Room \*

### Thursdays

- 7:00 am Men's Breakfast - Geneva Room ✓  
10:00 am Knitting Club - Library

\* - Resuming this month

## Other Events

### August

- 2 6:30 pm Board of Deacons Meeting  
8 6:00 pm SHARE Center Meal - 845 E. Laurel Dr  
11 5:30 pm Youth Connection Resumes!  
15 Newsletter Deadline  
22 6:00 pm SHARE Center Meal - 845 E. Laurel Dr  
23 6:30 pm Session Meeting  
29 10:00 am Worship & Prep for Sep 5 Return to Sanctuary -- Wear bright clothes!!



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Facebook: Northminster Presbyterian Church, Salinas

YouTube: Northminster Presbyterian - Salinas, CA

Zoom: Email [andy@northminster.org](mailto:andy@northminster.org) to receive info

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Do we have your email address?  
Contact [micki@northminster.org](mailto:micki@northminster.org)

- 7 Shyanne Johnson  
8 Karen Towle  
11 Dan Towle  
12 Molly Flanagan  
17 Glendale Tack  
19 Keith Sonico  
25 Dana Vivit  
27 Tino Montero  
30 Suzan Wurz



AUGUST  
Birthdays

### September Early Birds

- 2 Linda Westoby  
6 Stacy Wilmoth



- 2 **Glendale & Gladys Tack** . . . . . 76<sup>th</sup>  
6 Patti & Randy Bangs . . . . . 32<sup>nd</sup>  
14 Jim & Suzan Wurz . . . . . 44<sup>th</sup>  
16 Tom & Linda Westoby . . . . . 41<sup>st</sup>  
20 **Bert & Jeanne Robinson** . . . . . 55<sup>th</sup>  
21 Apolinario & Dana Vivit . . . . . 45<sup>th</sup>  
27 **Jim & Claire Vincent** . . . . . 55<sup>th</sup>

### September Early Birds

- 4 **Dan & Karen Towle** . . . . . 56<sup>th</sup>  
8 David & Rhonda Baird . . . . . 48<sup>th</sup>

\* If your name is missing from this list and you would like to add it, please contact the church office.



## Our Homebound Friends

- Emma Price - Brookdale  
Ted Selvester - Windsor Skyline  
Grace Bryan - Chicago

## From the Pastor continued

Regular youth group meetings will start again on August 11. School starts on the 4<sup>th</sup>, so we'll wait a week, then gather again in Room 24, the Youth Room, at 5:30.

FLOCK will restart the Wednesday after Labor Day, September 8 at 3:30 in Room 21.

The Men's Fellowship Breakfast will resume in the Geneva Room on September 9 at 7:00am! Come and have a great breakfast, fellowship around the tables, and a Bible study.

Women's Bible study will continue on Tuesday mornings at 10am, and Adult Sunday school at 9:00 on Sundays.

And of course, we are serving at the SHARE Center (the new shelter) each second and fourth Sunday.

So, see you in the gym...and the Sanctuary!

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## Serving Christ – in the Homeless

The new SHARE (Salinas Housing Advancement Resources Education) Center is now opened and Northminster will continue to minister to the needy by providing and serving the meal for



our homeless brothers and sisters on the **second and fourth Sundays, August 8 and 22.**

You can help by providing gifts of food for the meal and/or by helping to serve it. **Please bring items to the church by 4:00 pm or by 6:00 pm if bringing to/serving at the Center, 845 E. Laurel Drive.** "Lord, we know you'll be coming through this line today. So help us to treat you well." -Mary Wallis' prayer, serving the D.C. homeless

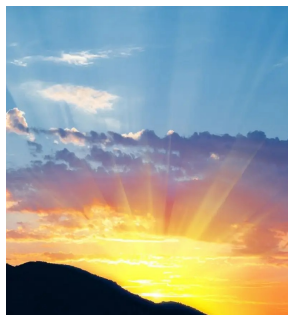
### Programs Returning!

Aug. 11	5:30 pm	Youth Connection (6 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade)
Sep. 5	9:00 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sep. 5	10:00 am	Worship in the Sanctuary!!
Sep. 8	3:30 pm	FLOCK (5 yrs – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)
Sep 9	7:00 am	Men's Breakfast

## Friends Gone on to Glory

**Margaret Smith** - died February 18. A service will be held Saturday, September 11 2:00 pm at Northminster.

**Sally Leighton** - died June 15. A service was held July 10th at Struve & Laporte. (*Sally was not a member at the time of her passing. -Ed.*)



**Tom McKey** - died June 21. A private gathering will be held in the family home.

*Financial gifts in remembrance of our departed friends can be made to our Northminster Memorial Fund.*

## Church Staff / Participants

Pastor . . . . . Andy Rausch  
 Organist/Choir Accompanist . . . . . Claire Vincent  
 Director of Music . . . . . Dana Vivit  
 Parish Associate . . . . . Bill Lane  
 Daycare . . . . . Laura Hunter-Michels, Tasha, . . . . . Susan, Claire, Esmerelda, Yvonne, Allie, Jennifer  
 Executive Assistant . . . . . Jackie Gash  
 Preschool/KinderPrep . . . . . Laura, Amanda Robles  
 Custodian . . . . . Jesse Perez  
 Set Up Techs. . . . . Tom Folliard, Bob Hynes  
 Grounds. . . . . Jim Vincent, Bob Hynes, Terry Heffington  
 Church Secretary. . . . . Micki Brown



# Just for KIDS

## "Take a Vacation"

Use your imagination to plan a great "Bible Lands" vacation. Use the code to find the names of these Biblical places. Look up the verses to find out about each place.

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(Genesis 2:15)

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(Matthew 4:18)

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(Matthew 3:13)

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(Exodus 19:20)

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(Genesis 11:5-9)

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(Exodus 16:1)

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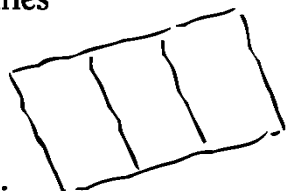
Garden of Gethsemane, Garden of Eden, Sea of Galilee, Jordan River, Mount Sinai, Jacobs Well, Rome, Tower of Babel, Lions' Den, Wilderness



### Make a Travel Brochure

You will need:

- piece of white/light paper
- old magazines
- scissors
- glue stick
- markers



How to do it:

Fold the paper in 3 parts. Use the names of the Biblical places from the puzzle answers. Make a section for each of those places. Cut letters from magazines. Cut out pictures to match each one. Glue them on. Describe each place.

Make a cover with ticket and travel information, etc....

