

Northminster Presbyterian Church

“Caring for all with

God’s love and grace.”

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Saturday

September 21 4 - 9 pm

Old Town Salinas

Details inside!

Northminster News

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Dear friends,

Music was, always has been, and will continue to be an important part of this congregation, and an important part of our worship. Under the amazing leadership of Dana, and before that her mother Dona, and the other Music Directors before them, we have been blessed musically. Claire on the organ and piano, Adrienne on the piano, and Pol on, well, anything, made our music and singing together rich. Tragically, this year has seen the loss of three of those amazing musicians. We are so blessed to have Claire continuing her ministry from the organ bench!

So many of the Psalms of David talk about music. Psalm 96, for instance, begins “O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the

Lord; bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.” And Psalm 100 starts, “Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.” (That’s for those of you who don’t think you can sing... you can still make joyful noises!) Our music in worship serves several purposes. As the Psalms declare, singing proclaims God’s glory. Music can be offered as a prayer—many of our songs and hymns are prayers. The Prelude and Postlude are offered as musical prayers; indeed, many churches use the term “Voluntary” instead of Prelude or Postlude. A “voluntary” is a type of prayer, whether it’s spoken or musical. And music can teach us. Many of the hymns tell particular Bible stories, especially the Christmas hymns. This is why we always sing all the verses—you can’t leave out part of the story!

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CALENDAR OF CHURCH EVENTS

Weekly Events

Sundays

- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School - Room 11
- 10:00 am Worship Service - Sanctuary/Onlin
- 11:00 am Coffee Fellowship - Ministry Center

Mondays

- 12:30 pm Senior Singers Rehearsal - Geneva Rm

Tuesdays

- 10:00 am Women's Bible Study
- 7:00 pm Women's Online Bible Study

Wednesdays

- 3:30 pm F.L.O.C.K. - Ministry Center
- 4:30 pm Children/Youth Handbells - Bell Rm
- 5:30 pm Youth Connection - Geneva Rm

Thursdays

- 8:00 am Men's Breakfast - First Awakenings
- 10:00 am Knitting Club - Library

Other Events

September

- 2 11:00 am Labor Day Gaming/BBQ
- 3,4 Preschool/KinderPrep 2024-25 begins
- 4 3:30 pm FLOCK Children's Program returns
- 7 1:00 pm Relay For Life Bunco/Auction Fundraiser
- 8 6:00 pm SHARE Center Meal - 845 E. Laurel Dr.
- 15 Newsletter Deadline
- 15 11:00 am Fellowship Potluck
- 16 12:30 pm Senior Singers Rehearsals resume
- 21 4:00 pm RELAY FOR LIFE - Old Town Salinas
- 22 6:00 pm SHARE Center Meal - 845 E. Laurel Dr.
- 23 6:30 pm Session Meeting



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Do we have your email address?
 Contact micki@northminster.org

- 2 Linda Westoby
- 6 Stacy Koleszar
- 12 Warren Sonico
Larry Tack
- 14 Micki Brown
- 16 Emma Price
- 18 Louis Hembree
- 23 Jackie Gash
- 28 Cindy Lumsden
- 29 Barbara Perry
- 30 Thomas Thomson



- October Early Birds
 8 Ryan Bangs



- 4 Dan & Karen Towle 59th
- 8 David & Rhonda Baird 51st

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- 6 Jeff & Felisa Hoogendyk 56th
 - 7 Louis & Jane Hembree 57th
 - 8 Tino & Jessica Montero 20th

* 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 - Texas
 Gerda Van Meter - Home (Cayucos)



BBQ & BOARD GAMES

**MONDAY
SEPTEMBER 2**

LABOR DAY

**11:00 AM PRE-EVENT GAMING
12:00 PM BBQ - COALS READY**

**GAMES & FELLOWSHIP
THE REST OF THE DAY!**

**BRING YOUR OWN MEAT
AND A SIDE TO SHARE!**

**Saturday,
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Old Town Salinas

It's time again to walk in memory of loved ones lost to cancer, or in honor of survivors! Each step will help fund the cure! Together we will have a powerful impact - one step at a time. To join our Soles for Souls team, support our fundraisers (see below), and more, contact Jacke Gash or Lisa Loder!

Bunco Time Fund Raiser for Relay For Life

Saturday, September 7

1:00-4:00 pm

Northminster Ministry Center

**\$25 to play! Prizes! Silent Auction! Raffle!
Contact Jackie Gash to reserve your spot!**

Serving Christ-in the Homeless

The SHARE (Salinas Housing Advancement Resources Education) Center is open and meeting the needs of the homeless and Northminster will continue to minister to them by providing and serving dinner for our brothers and sisters on the **second and fourth Sundays, September 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 5:00 pm or by 6:00 pm if bringing to/serving at the Center, 845 E. Laurel Drive.**



Fellowship Potluck



On Sunday, September 15, join us after worship (11:00 ish) for a Fellowship Potluck!!! Bring your favorite dish to share as we fellowship around a meal – just like Jesus did!

If you are not able to bring an item, don't let that stop you from joining us!

Women's Bible Study

Ladies, join your sisters in Christ for a great time of Bible study each Tuesday at 10:00 am in the library. The Women's Online Study is also an option, now at the new date of Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, via Zoom. Both have started a new study on "Listening to God".

We enjoy fellowship, prayer and refreshments, so join us! Contact leader Terry Heffington to get the study book, and for online login details.

Helping Women in Need

The Women's Shelter is thankful for the recent donations coming from our church. The Deacon fund provided a donation for diapers, wipes, and detergent, while throughout the year the shelter needs other assorted items for women (and children) making a fresh start. The list of those needed items can be found on the narthex table and can be left in the bin in the narthex

Prayer Changes Things!

There is a lot going on in the world, in the life of The Church and in our personal lives. Times like these mean there is a need more than ever for those who will take those concerns to the Lord in prayer. It doesn't take talent or funds to do this vital work, just a heart to serve and a little bit of time. If you would like to join our prayer team, please contact the church office, 831-449-2717, option 4



Thanks to John Watson 09-06-2006

SURE YOU CAN HAVE YOUR LAWYER PRESENT ... HE'S RIGHT BEHIND YOU

From the Pastor continued

Beulah Lane loved hymn singing, and any of our sopranos can tell you that she especially loved the hymns with descants. Her children, Bill and Linda, in Beulah's memory, will be giving the church new hymnals, the Glory to God hymnals, published by the PC(USA). There are many of our old favorites, as well as new hymns that will enhance our worship experience.

So let's continue to sing to God's glory, offering ourselves to God through song, praying through music and song. And even joyful noises!

See you in church!

Andy

Church Staff / Participants

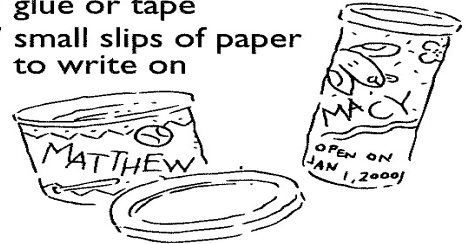
Pastor Andy Rausch
 Organist/Choir Accompanist Claire Vincent
 Parish Associate Bill Lane
 Daycare Jerrianna, Sue, Ruby, Ale, Esme,
 Emely, Elizabeth, Cecilia, Asul, Berenice
 Executive Assistant Jackie Gash
 Treasurer Sue Brockett
 Preschool Amanda Robles, Claire Seabock
 Custodian Jesse Perez
 Set Up Techs. Tom Folliard, Bob Hynes
 Grounds. Bob Hynes, Terry Heffington
 Church Secretary. Micki Brown

How will you **GROW?**

Make a "Time Capsule"

You will need:

- ✓ an empty snack can with a plastic lid
- ✓ a sheet of plain paper
- ✓ markers or crayons
- ✓ glue or tape
- ✓ small slips of paper to write on



1. Cover the can with the sheet of paper. Attach with glue or tape.
2. Decorate the can with your name and the date. Write "To be opened on **month/day/year.**" Pick a date in 5 or 10 years.
3. Put these things, plus others, inside.
 - ✓ photographs
 - ✓ names of best friends
 - ✓ favorite Bible verse
 - ✓ favorite Bible story
 - ✓ favorite music
 - ✓ a poem that you've written
 Put the lid on and set the can on a shelf or in a safe place.
4. Open on the date you've chosen!