



GATHERING

Chimes

Scripture – Ephesians 4:1-5

Sarah McClelland-Brown

Welcome

Prelude

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship – based on Philippians 2

If you find any comfort from being in the Anointed,
if Jesus' love brings you some encouragement,
if you experience true companionship with the Spirit,
if God's tenderness and mercy fill our hearts;
then, brothers and sisters, here is one thing that will bring joy—
come together as one in mind and spirit and purpose,
sharing in the same love. Don't let selfishness and prideful agendas take over.
Embrace true humility, and let us lift our heads to extend love to others.
In other words, adopt the mind-set of Jesus the Anointed.
Let us live with his attitude in our hearts ...

*Hymn #610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!

The name of Jesus charms our fears, and bids our sorrows cease,
sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.

Christ speaks, and listening to his voice new life the dead receive;
the mournful waken to rejoice; the poor in heart believe.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

CONFESSING

Call to Confession

Prayers of Confession

**God of such grace,
we confess how often we have elevated
the things of this broken world above you.
We have made idols of possessions and people
and used your name for causes
that are not consistent with Jesus and his law of love.
We have allowed our schedules to rule us
and have not taken the time to worship you.
We have participated in patterns
that take life instead of give it.
We have been unfaithful in our covenant relationships.**

**Forgive us, O God,
for the many ways we fall short of your glory.
Help us to learn to live together according to your ways
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

Hear our prayers ...

Assurance of Forgiveness

Scripture – Romans 8:31-39

M. J. Gardner

Remembering Our Baptisms

Response to Forgiveness #649 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

verses 1 & 4

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

*Passing the Peace

Flint River welcome of the Barnesville congregation

Deb Tregaskis

Prayers of Intercession, Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, Hallowed by Thy name, Thy Kingdome Come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn #306

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes; our mutual burdens bear.
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;
and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

Gathering our Offerings

Offertory Music

*Response — Doxology #606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God, for all that love has done, Creator, Christ, and Spirit one! Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, O Praise God, Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

LISTENING

Hymn #459 (remain seated)

O Word of God Incarnate

Scripture – Luke 13:10-20

Marilyn Tucker-Marek

Sermon – Fleischmann's RapidRise Presbyterians

DEPARTING

*Hymn #300

We Are One in the Spirit

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other; we will work side by side;
we will work with each other; we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

*Charge and Benediction

*Sung Response

May the road rise to meet you, may the wind blow at your back. May the sun shine warmly on your face, may the rain fall softly on your fields. And until we meet again, until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand. Amen

Postlude

Please join us after the worship service today for a picnic lunch in our (air conditioned) fellowship hall!



Information & Announcements

Welcome Flint River Presbytery!

We here at Northminster are honored and elated to host our 7 sister congregations here in the Northeast Cluster of our presbytery: Forsyth, Gray, Macon, Warner Robins, and Thomaston. Today we welcome the Barnesville Presbyterian Church into the bounds of our presbytery and the fellowship of our cluster.

Welcome Friends and Guests!

Whether you are sharing in the worship of God with us for the first time, visiting with family or friends, or returning for a visit to your home church, we welcome you today in the name of Jesus. Please share some contact information with us so we can follow up with you and make a place for you in our weekly fellowship. You may email our church office at admin@northminstermacon.org.

Sanctuary Flowers

Flowers today have been given to the glory of God by Michael and Chloe Napier in celebration of Michael (M3)'s second birthday.

Children's Sunday School

All children are invited to attend Sunday School at 9:30^{AM}. We'll have a lesson with a craft and a morning snack. All children will join their parents for the worship service at 10:30.

Nursery Coordinator

We are currently looking for a volunteer nursery coordinator to ensure our nursery is staffed each Sunday. If you are interested in helping with this or know of someone who would like to fill this as a position, please let Jennifer or Nita McCord know.

Ushers and Greeters

We are in need of ushers and greeters to welcome our church family and guests on Sunday mornings. Please check the new sign-up board in the foyer to volunteer your smile on a Sunday that works for you!

Summer Alternative with St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

Each Thursday in June, we invite you to join with St. Andrews Presbyterian at their annual Summer Alternative, a session of dinner, adult studies led by guest speakers and activities for children. Dinner begins at 6pm and programs at 6:45. Please RSVP to 478-474-4451 if you plan to attend dinner.

Office Hours – July 4th Holiday

The church will be closed Thursday and Friday, July 4th and 5th, for the Independence Day holiday.

Men's Breakfast – July 10

All men are invited to join us for food and fellowship Wednesday, July 10th at 7:00^{AM} for our monthly men's breakfast at H&H Restaurant downtown (807 Forsyth St., Macon). This is a dutch treat event.

Macon Moves for Jesus – July 18-21

All Flint River youth (ages 13 and up) are invited to come together for fellowship, fun, and outreach as they serve the Macon area through planned mission work. The cost is \$60 per youth and includes all food, a t-shirt, and other goodies for this mission excursion. Youth will be staying the nights here at Northminster. See Chloe Napier or Jennifer Whitehead for payment and the release of liability form.

Adult Sunday School – August 11

Our adult (ages 12 and up) Sunday School classes will resume in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, August 11th at 9:00^{AM}. Our first 6-week session will be led by pastor Ralph. Stay tuned for details.

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our calling at Northminster is to make disciples, to grow in faith together, and to serve others in Christ.

CONGREGATION: Ministers of the Good News; SESSION of Ruling Elders: Kari Alderman; Mark Brown; Jeff Denny; Barbara Fatkin; Nita McCord; Michael Napier; Donna Shuford; Amanda Smith; Minor Vernon; Gail Walker
RALPH HAWKINS, Pastor and Teaching Elder PAUL EVANS, Parish Associate GUNNER CHANCEY, Director of Music
KAREN JONES, Clerk of Session JENNIFER WHITEHEAD, Ministry Assistant

Summer office hours: Tuesday-Thursday 9:00-1:00; Sunday 7:00-1:00; Jennifer Cell: 478-318-7911