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Committee Meetings

For most committees, this will be the final meeting of 2024. If you would like to join one of the following committees, or simply sit in on a meeting to see what it's all about, please contact the corresponding elder.

Following the service Sunday, November 3, we will have a brief congregational meeting to elect our elders for 2025-26.

YOUTH PROGRESSIVE DINNER - NOVEMBER 10TH



All youth are invited to participate in a progressive dinner party next Sunday, November 10th. Youth will travel to different homes for each course. If you are interested in hosting a course, please contact Chloe Napier or Rosie Miles.



MEN'S BREAKFAST - NOVEMBER 13TH

All men are invited to gather for breakfast together Wednesday morning, November 13th at 7am. Invite a friend and meet us at H&H Restaurant (807 Forsyth St. - Downtown). Dutch treat.

THANKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP MEAL - NOVEMBER 17



Sunday, November 17th, we will give thanks as a congregation with a meal prepared by some of Northminster's best "home-chefs." The menu is pork loin with apricot sauce, sweet potato casserole, green beans, tossed salad, rolls and Lynn Davis' cakes for dessert. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5-12 (children under 5 are free) with a family cap of \$25. Reservations are mandatory to be sure we have enough food, so please fill out your blue response sheet in your weekly bulletin or call the church office to let us know you're attending. We hope you will all join us for this special day.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nov 1 - Larry Smallwood
Nov 10 - Charlotte Nolan
Nov 14 - Kathy Smallwood

Nov 4 - Ryden Aiello
Nov 11 - Kathy McCord
Nov 18 - Ron Wolfe

Nov 9 - Donna Shuford
Nov 13 - Virginia Hall
Nov 28 - Kay Mosely

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school has been moved downstairs to the community room. We have two more Sundays with Paul Lewis (November 3rd and 10th) and his study of Doug Ottati's "Living Belief: A Short Introduction to Christian Faith." This week we are studying the Sermon on the Mount, so even if you have missed the first few weeks of his class, it's not too late to join us.

Following Paul's study, Janell Johnson will be back with us for a 5-week class entitled "The Prophets' Message in an Election Year." Her study will begin November 11th and run until December 15th.



Sunday, December 8, we will celebrate the season of Advent with our annual Lessons & Carols service, held during our normal worship time of 10:30am. Invite a friend and join us for a beautiful morning of lessons and celebration through song and scripture!



ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS FAIR - DECEMBER 8

Our annual alternative Christmas fair is a wonderful way to give friends and loved ones a special gift - a donation made in their honor to a mission close to the heart of Northminster. This event will be held in the fellowship hall following worship.

2025 CHURCH DIRECTORY

Since the time of our last pictorial directory, we have welcomed new faces and said goodbye to members who have passed. It is time for an update! Throughout the month of December, please stop by the Library any Sunday before or after worship to have your photo taken and make sure your contact information is correct. All who wish to be included in the directory, whether member or friend, are encouraged to participate. We also have a large group of students in college right now - if your child will be home for the holidays, we'd love to include an individual photo of them in the "College bound" section of our directory. If they will not be here on a given Sunday, please feel free to email a recent photo to Jennifer.



SMALL GROUP FELLOWSHIP IN 2025

Fellowship groups will be to build connections, deepen relationships, and to share in prayer and mutual support. These church-wide groups will be multi-generational, co-ed, and will include 10 to 12 people each. There will be a leader selected within each group, to coordinate gatherings. The groups will start in January 2025 and continue until June, taking a break for the summer. If you are interested in participating in a small group, please indicate this on your blue response sheet.



CONFIRMATION HAS BEGUN!

Spiritually speaking, Confirmation is that season in our common life as a congregation when we invite our younger members to begin moving from childhood to adulthood in terms of Christian discipleship. This year we are privileged to make that journey with 5 young souls, all in middle or high school. Joining them on this pilgrimage are 10 mentors from our membership. Together they will meet regularly as trios, share in friendship and fellowship, pray and serve together, read the gospel of Luke in its entirety, and deeply discuss 8 traditional Christian practices drawn from the life of Jesus:

Wisdom
Justice
Hospitality
Compassion



Unity
Humility
Grace
Gratitude

This confirmation journey will take our 15 participants all the way to Easter Sunday 2025, when our young pilgrims — should they feel so led — will publicly affirm their Christian faith in our midst. Let us be in prayer and encouragement for them over the course of these important 6 months.



Elizabeth Goode
 Betty Lamb & Rosie Miles



Carolyn Goode
 Isabel Davis & Natalie Vernon



Rebecca Goode
 Sarah Morrow & Kim Emener



CJ Preyna
 Frank Ellis & Austin Emener





Matthew Preyna
 Sandra Ridgeway & Al Fatkin (not pictured)

2024

NOVEMBER



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
					Veritas	2pm Ann Smith Memorial Service
3 9am Adult Sunday School 9:30am Children's Sunday School Communion Sunday	4	5 Veritas 	6 10am Women's Bible Study 6pm Women's Bible Study	7 Veritas 6:30pm Macon Mayhem Board Mtg	8 Veritas	9 1pm Girl Scouts
10 9am Adult Sunday School 9:30am Children's Sunday School 11:45am Committee Meetings 4:00pm Yoga	11	12 Veritas 6pm Girl Scouts	13 7am Men's Breakfast 10am Macon Service League Meeting 10am Women's Bible Study 6pm Women's Bible Study	14 Veritas	15 Veritas	16
17 9am Adult Sunday School 9:30am Children's Sunday School	18 6pm Stated Session Meeting	19 Veritas 12:30pm MGA choir rehearsal	20 10am Women's Bible Study 10:30am Macon Service League Board mtg 6pm Women's Bible Study	21 Veritas 3pm MGA choir rehearsal 6pm MGA choir performance	22 Veritas	23 1pm Girl Scouts
24 9am Adult Sunday School 9:30am Children's Sunday School	25	26 Office Closed	27 Office Closed	28  Office Closed	29	30