



NORTHMINSTER *Life*

APRIL 2025

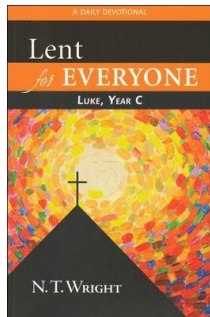
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Holy Week

Join us for worship throughout Holy Week, with Palm Sunday starting at 10:30am April 13th. We will gather again in the sanctuary for Maundy Thursday, April 17th at 6pm. Good Friday is a personal day of reflection, encouraging everyone to take time in their day to reflect on the events of crucifixion day. We will joyfully gather again Easter morning April 20th at 10:30am to celebrate Christ's resurrection!



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Bryan Whitfield will continue his study of "Lent for Everyone" which is a study of Luke through April 13. *There will be no adult Sunday School on Easter Sunday.* Andrew Gardner from Mercer will be teaching a class on "Confronting Christian Nationalism" beginning April 27 and going through May 18th. Please join us for some wonderful, thought-provoking discussions led by these outstanding teachers from Mercer. We meet in the community room downstairs.



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

We're having an amazing time in Sunday School! All children, up to 5th grade, are invited to join us downstairs in room 123 for lessons, crafts, and snacks starting at 9:30AM. As we enter Lent and Easter Sunday, we will be learning all about how much Jesus loves us. Childcare is available starting at 9AM in the nursery if you would like to attend Sunday School.



EASTER LILIES

Every year, Northminster congregants help fill our sanctuary with Easter Lilies on Easter Sunday. This year, we will have both potted lilies and bud-vase lilies. These flowers represent beautiful memories of loved ones who have died. Please see your blue sheet for information about having a lily for your loved one(s). After worship, lilies can be taken home or taken to someone you know who could appreciate their beauty. Cost is \$12 each.

OUTREACH AND MISSIONS



Recently your session approved a \$9000 disbursement from our mission endowment income to purchase electric heaters for the outdoor pavilion down at Loaves & Fishes. This is the pavilion we raised \$45000 to build a few years ago. The heaters were installed by Jeff Williams, who does most of our electrical work at our church. Loaves & Fishes staff and clients report what a major improvement these 5 heaters have made during the winter months. They not only bring a lot of heat, they also shed a lot of light! Member Chloe Napier and pastor Ralph serve on the Loaves & Fishes board on our behalf.



Our younger church members from our Denny, Goode, and Preyna families gathered to assemble 15 disaster cleanup buckets. \$1400 in supplies were purchased at Lowes by our youth using monies collected in sister congregations around our Flint River Presbytery. These 15 buckets will join about 40 others to be delivered to Presbyterians churches in the Tampa area. Here they will be join hundred of others from PCUSA churches around the southeast, staged and ready for the next hurricane season.



Be sure to check out our new Dominican wall in the hallway at church! Lots of photos from our recent mission visit to Villa Clara, on the northeast coast of the island.



Millions of people lack asset to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education and opportunity. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing-Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self Development of People-all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development. Their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. This special offering will be collected Easter Sunday. Offering envelopes will be available on the welcome desk.

MEN'S BREAKFAST - APRIL 9

All men are invited to gather for breakfast together Wednesday morning, April 9th at 7am. Invite a friend and meet us at H&H Restaurant (807 Forsyth St. - Downtown). Dutch treat.

WOMEN'S SPRING BIBLE STUDY

Our Women's Bible Study continues every Wednesday morning at 10am for Priscilla Shirer's 7-session journey through the life and times of the prophet Elijah. We will continue Through April 23rd. Don't worry if you've missed any sessions! You're always welcome to join! Discussion moderated by Jeanne Roddenberry.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Apr 6 - Bonnie Diboll
Apr 22 - Lynn Davis
Apr 30 - Kendall Emener

Apr 11 - Gwen Kitchens
Apr 22 - Sofie Aiello

Apr 18 - Liz Riley
Apr 29 - Horace Stringfellow

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
			10am Women's Bible Study	6pm Girl Scouts		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
8:30am Confirmation breakfast 9:00am Adult S.S. 9:30am Children's S.S. Communion Sunday		Veritas	7am Men's Breakfast 10am Macon Service League Meeting 10am Women's Bible Study	Veritas	Veritas	1pm Girl Scouts
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Palm Sunday 9:00am - Adult S.S. 9:30am Children's S.S. 4:00pm Yoga		Veritas	10am Women's Bible Study	Veritas 6pm Maundy Thursday Service	Veritas	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Easter Sunday 9:30am Children's S.S.	6pm Stated Session Meeting	Veritas	10am Women's Bible Study 10:30am Macon Service League Board Meeting	Veritas	Veritas	1pm Girl Scouts
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
9:00am - Adult S.S. 9:30am Children's S.S. 4pm Youth Meeting		Veritas		Office Closed		