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FELLOWSHIP IN JUNE!





BAPTISMS

On Sunday, May 4, our congregation had the incredible honor of baptizing three young women in the Goode family, sisters who each went through our six-month Confirmation program and who each felt called to be baptized. It was a great and holy day for our congregation, as the Goode family has been a wonderful blessing to our spiritual fellowship. Pictures below are parents Jennifer and David Goode, with (left to right) Rebecca, Carolyn, and Elizabeth.



Welcome, Women, to the Christian pilgrimage with the rest of us!





NEW MEMBERS

Sunday, May 18th, we excitedly welcomed into our membership, Roger and Linda Andersen and Jan Stocks. Welcome, again, to the Northminster family!

Recently this other beautiful creature expressed interest in joining Northminster Presbyterian Church. However, our pastor has grave concerns about that hairdo. What do you think? Should we make a space for all those curls?!



FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thank you congregation for your continued financial support of our church, its pastor, staff and programs, and especially of its outreach, both here in Macon and middle Georgia, as well as worldwide.

As of April 30th, we are within our budget and in good financial shape. Your pledges were on target at \$143,736 vs our budgeted amount of \$143,543. Our total revenue was \$166,153 vs our budgeted amount of \$161,223. So far, we have spent \$150,664 vs our budget of \$161,317.

These expenditures have included outreach to our neighborhood of \$394 and to our world of \$34,395. In addition, the session earlier this year approved and spent \$9600 for outdoor heaters for the covered pavilion our church built down at Loaves & Fishes. This was paid through our Endowment Income Fund.

As a reminder, we also have a carryover of \$72,862 from 2024 because of your generous support.

As summer approaches, please continue to remember Northminster with your presence, as you are able, and with your financial support. Please contact Gregg Reed (gareed105@gmail.com) or any member of the finance committee if you have any questions about the budget and its status.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jun 1 - Austin Emener	Jun 3 - David Goode	Jun 7 - Sam McDuffie
Jun 7 - Ann Putzke	Jun 11 - Hamilton Hirsh	Jun 11 - Ralph Hawkins
Jun 14 - Isabel Davis	Jun 17 - Pat McCall	Jun 20 - Haley Hirsh
Jun 20 - Emma Brown	Jun 25 - Emory Whitaker	Jun 28 - Cam Stringfellow



MEMORIAL DAY FELLOWSHIP

On May 26, Ralph and Deb hosted a Memorial Day picnic for Flint River pastors and family in our Northeast cluster, which include Northminster. Pictured at left are Curtis and Brianna White, and their sons, who up until recently have served St. Andrews Presbyterian Church here in Macon, over on Bass Road. The Whites are wrapping up 5+ years there and returning to the Pacific northwest to be closer to extended family.



Montreat Youth Conference

Northminster members will be joining several other Flint River Presbytery churches for another annual week at Montreat Conference Center in beautiful western North Carolina. Attending from our flock are Carolyn and Elizabeth Goode, CJ Preyna, and Sambo Alderman. Attending with them are Rosie Miles, Deb Tregaskis, and Pastor Ralph. They depart Saturday, June 7 and return Saturday, June 14. Let's be praying for a fun and faith-filled week of worship, preaching, and fellowship.

METAL FOR MEDS!



You can help supply medications for our 2026 mission trip to the Dominican Republic. 1 pound of aluminum cans equals \$1.00 of medicine for our clinic in the Dominican Republic. Simply bring in your aluminum cans and put them into the designated bins - we'll do the rest! When dropping off, please do not leave them in plastic bags. Thank you for your continued support for this mission!

ROSA TAYLOR BREAKFAST



Our Neighborhood committee helps us stay connected in ministry to our actual neighbors here on Wimbish Road. We are grateful to Amanda Smith (elder chair) and Pat McCall for

representing us in May by taking Chic-fil-A breakfast to the faculty at Rosa Taylor Elementary school, located in the neighborhood behind our church building. Our church is committed to showing love and support for the hard-working public school teachers who labor in our neighborhood. Rosa Taylor serves many children who are food and housing insecure.

IMPROVEMENTS AT LOAVES AND FISHES

Recently our partner downtown Loaves & Fishes received a grant to allow for the rehabilitation of an outdoor wall that was in great need of stucco and paint. The stucco work has been completed



by a contractor, and on May 31 men from Northminster added several coats of paint. Northminster is proud to join a dozen other churches in support of the L&F ministry to the homeless and working poor of our community. Improvements to the building mean that the space serves the ministry, and not the other way around! Member Chloe Napier and our pastor both serve on the L&F board.



PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING

A foundation of faith established during childhood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. The patterns and lessons established during these formative years continue to bear fruit throughout a person's life. By receiving the Pentecost Offering, you are nurturing the faith of those who are the church to come — children, youth, and young adults. This offering will be collected June 8.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
June 1	2 Office Open	3 Office Open	4 Office Open	5 Office Open	6 Office Open	7
8	9 Office Open	Office closed	Office closed	12 Office closed	13 Office Open	14
15	16 Jennifer- Jury Duty	17 Ralph in Office	18 Ralph in Office	19 Office closed	20 Office Open	21
22	23 Office Open	24 Ralph in Office	25 Ralph in Office	26 Office closed	27 Office Open	28
29	30 Office Open	July 1 Ralph in Office	2 Ralph in Office	3 Office Open	4 staff holiday Office closed	5
6	7 Office Open	8 Ralph in Office	9 Ralph in Office	10 Office closed	11 Office Open	12

Grateful for her work for us our Ministry Assistant, and recognizing the slower summer season in our church office (especially with Veritas School not meeting downstairs), the session has granted Jennifer Whitehead some additional time off this summer. From the week of June 8 through July 12, Jennifer will only be in the office Mondays and Fridays from 9am to 1pm. Ralph will cover some of the other office days throughout this time. *See above for a detailed calendar.*

Remember our contact information so you can reach out to Ralph and Jennifer as needed:

Ralph: 478-250-3355; pastorhawkins@northminstermacon.org

Jennifer: 478-318-7911; admin@northminstermacon.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL - SUMMER SCHEDULE

Our Adult Sunday School class is on summer break through July. Be sure to check next month's newsletter for details on our next start date, topics and teachers!

Children's Sunday School continues to meet in room 123 downstairs at 9:30am every Sunday throughout June. We will take a short summer break for the month of July and return August 3rd!