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RADNEY FAMILY VISIT JULY 17TH THROUGH 29TH

We are excited to welcome our Dominican ministry partners to Macon for a two-week visit this month. Rev. Pedro Radney, his wife Yuberka, and their sons Marcus and Sebastian will be our guests during days of July 17-29. Pedro will be our preacher on July 19. We have many other activities planned: a birthday party for Sebastian, a Brave Game, a Macon Bacon game, a water park visit for the boys, meals in members' homes, and an outreach lunch featuring Dominican food at Loaves & Fishes. Nosotras vamos a tener una gran visita!

MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE 2026

We had a wonderful week and we thank everyone for their amazing support of this annual time.





BACKPACK MINISTRY

Each year, we gather gifts used to fund our backpack ministry, supplying weekly bags of food to children at Rosa Taylor Elementary school throughout their school year. We are partnered with the Middle Georgia Community Food Bank to provide many of the foods we use. This year, we ask that you consider supporting this ministry in the following ways: financial gifts (whether a one-time gift or monthly donations), shelf-stable foods and plastic grocery bags. Offering envelopes will be provided throughout the month of July. Thank you for your generous giving!



MUSIC NOTES!

Our handbell choir will be ringing on July 19th, in honor of our family from the Dominican Republic. Rehearsals will be in the library NEXT Sunday, July 12th, after the service, and Wednesday, July 15th, at 6:00 p.m. Our vocal choir is on break and will resume rehearsals August 19th.

ATLANTA BRAVES GAME - JULY 22ND



While our friends, pastor Pedro and his family, visit with us this summer, we're going to see a Braves game! Ticket prices are \$58. If you have already signed up, you may pay for your ticket by cash or check (noted "Braves Game") and simply drop your payment in the offering plate, into the mail, or bring it to the church office. We do have additional tickets if anyone else would like to join.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

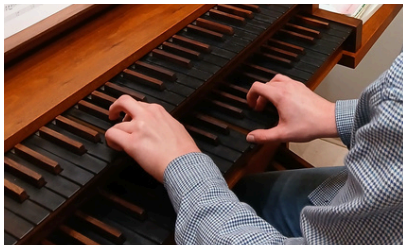
July 2 - Molly Brown
July 9 - Nita McCord

July 6 - Genny Whitaker
July 25 - Jinny McDuffie

July 7 - Carolyn Goode
July 26 - Lala Scales

THANK YOU, CHURCH FAMILY!

From Allen and Barbara Fatkin: Friday, June 26th was a special day for Jack, Paul, Jane-Marie, Allen, Barbara, Suzanne and Betsy. Jack had his favorite meal cooked by Pastor Ralph and more than 40 church friends celebrated his 8th birthday. He, nor we, will ever forget that night. When Barbara and I walked in this church for the first time eight years ago, we knew we had found a home. this congregation and its pastor continue to demonstrate this week-in and week-out. We will never forget the support shown by all of you during this time. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts. Before the party, Jack told everybody he saw that his church was giving him a birthday party. That night, Jack said, best party ever and thank you for all the fun gifts.



ORGAN CONCERT - JULY 26TH

July 26th at 3pm, please plan to attend a solo organ concert by David M. Kenney, Jr. Admission is FREE, but any funds collected will support the baseball ministry in the Dominican Republic. This will also be on the heels of "Christmas in July", so there will be a bit of Christmas music included!



WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We are so thankful to have a church full of welcoming, smiling faces! We can always use those spiritual gifts of warm, inviting members to help with ushering and greeting on Sunday mornings. To sign up for a Sunday, simply write your name on the greeter board in the foyer. Whether you've done this a hundred times or never before, please consider signing up to help.

GOOD SAMARITAN FUND

Northminster's Good Sam Fund is alive and well thanks to the generosity of all of you. This is how Centenary Community Ministries is using our Good Sam donations to help those less fortunate.

Good Sam news from Sarah Pugh Montgomery, interim executive director at CCMI:

"We had one woman who needed help with her light bill - she is deaf and experiencing some car problems so this relief allows her to reallocate funds to the car. There is a woman who left her job for a new opportunity only for that position to be dissolved after just two weeks. Although she has a new job now, she and her two children needed help with rent that had fallen behind due to her employment changes. Thank you so much for your gifts in sharing so we could support these women and their families!"

FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATES

From the Finance Committee: Thank you for your continued financial support of our church, its pastor and staff, and its programs in 2026. 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.

	May 2026 Actual	May 2026 Budget	2026 YTD Actual	2026 YTD Budget
Pledged & Regular Giving	\$26,180	\$38,683	\$195,144	\$193,414
Carry Forward	\$8,305	\$8,305	\$41,525	\$41,525
Total Income	\$35,784	\$47,988	\$248,256	\$239,939
Total Expenses	\$37,958	\$43,989	\$236,767	\$219,946

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28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5 Communion Sunday & Pulpit Swap	6	7	8 7am Men's Breakfast	9 10am Line Dancing	10	11
12 10:30am Worship 11:30am Bell Rehearsal	13	14	15	16 10am Line Dancing	17	18
19 Montreat Middle School returns	20	21	22 6pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 10:30am Service League Board Mtg	23 10am Line Dancing	24 Radney Family Visit	25
26 10:30am Worship 11:45 Birthday party for Sebastian Radney	27	28	29 Atlanta Braves Game	30 10am Line Dancing	31 Church office closed through August 10th	1
10:30am Worship 3pm Organ Concert	Radney Family Visit					

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