

Northminster Presbyterian Church

“Caring for all with

God’s love and grace.”

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“Sunday’s On the Way!”

Holy Week &
Easter Events



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Northminster News

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Dear Church Family,

The angel at the empty tomb said to the two Marys: "He is not here; for He is risen, as He said." (Matthew 28:6)

Happy Easter! It is with great joy that I extend a blessed and peaceful Easter greeting to every one of you. The Resurrection of Jesus is the heartbeat of our faith, reminding us that death has been conquered and new life is available to all.

Easter is more than just a single day; it is a season of celebrating hope, light, and new

beginnings. In our liturgical calendar, the season of Easter begins on Easter, and lasts until the Day of Pentecost, May 31 this year. And of course, every Sunday through the whole year is the celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord. In a world that can often feel dark or challenging, the resurrection stands as a powerful reminder that God’s love is stronger than anything else.

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CALENDAR OF CHURCH EVENTS

Weekly Events

Sundays

- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School - Room 11
- 10:00 am Worship Service - Sanctuary/Online
- 11:00 am Coffee Fellowship - Ministry Center
- 5:30 pm Youth Group - Room 24

Mondays

- 12:30 pm Senior Singers Rehearsal - Geneva Rm

Tuesdays

- 7:00 pm Women's Online Bible Study - Zoom

Wednesdays

- 3:30 pm F.L.O.C.K. - Ministry Center

Thursdays

- 8:00 am Men's Breakfast - First Awakenings
- 10:00 am Knitting Club - Library

Other Events

April

- 2 5:30 pm Maundy Thursday Soup Supper & Service
- 5 10:00 am Easter Worship Service
- 12 6:30 pm SHARE Center Meal - 845 E. Laurel Dr.
- 15 Newsletter Deadline
- 19 11:00 am Fellowship Potluck
- 26 6:30 pm SHARE Center Meal - 845 E. Laurel Dr.



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Do we have your email address?
Contact micki@northminster.org

- 4 Pat Tunstall
- 10 Scott Moore
- 11 Patti Bangs
- 11 Kayley Flanagan
- 12 Sue Brockett
- 19 Jan Dominguez
- 24 Jenna Emerson
- 24 Lonnie Heffington
- 24 Roman Montero



May Early Birds

- 8 Andy Rausch



April

- 17 Jeff & Aimee Cuda 20th

May Early Birds

No early birds this month!

* If your name is missing from this list and you would like to add it, please contact the church office.

Our Homebound Friends



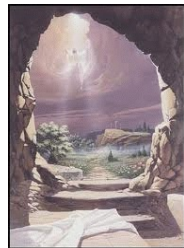
- Marilyn Barr - Madonna Gardens
- Emma Price - Vista Harden Ranch (Brookdale)
- Ted Selvester - Texas
- Carol Suggett - Ivy Park
- Dorothy Walker - home



April 2 - 5:30 pm

We'll partake of a simple soup supper in the Geneva Room, followed by a worship service where we remember Christ's final gathering with His disciples.

The Resurrection of The Lord
Sunday, April 5



Worship Service - 10:00 am

We will proclaim the glorious truth of the Resurrection in song, praise and the Word, because "He is risen!" "He is risen indeed!"

Serving Christ—in the Homeless

Northminster partners with the SHARE (Salinas Housing Advancement Resources Education) Center in meeting the needs of the homeless by providing and serving dinner for our brothers and sisters on the **second and fourth Sundays, April 12 and 26**. You can help by providing gifts of food for the meal and/or by helping to serve it. **Please bring items to the church by 5:00 pm or by 6:30 pm if bringing to/serving at the Center, 845 E. Laurel Drive.**



Fellowship Potluck

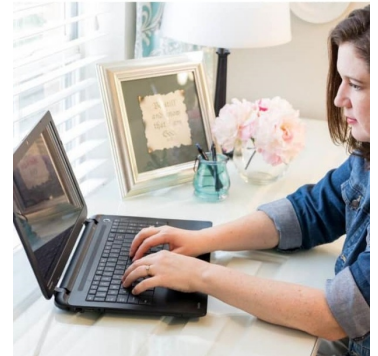


On Sunday, April 19, join us after worship (11:00 ish) for a Fellowship Potluck!!! Bring your favorite dish to share as we fellowship around a meal – just like Jesus did!

If you are not able to bring an item, don't let that stop you from joining us!

Women's Online Bible Study

We're currently Encountering Jesus. We invite the women of our church to join us Tuesdays, 7:00 pm on Zoom. If you need a study guide, please contact Terry Heffington.



Prayer Partners Wanted!



Do you have a little spare time and are looking to fill it? When you hear about the suffering of friends or around the world are you moved to talk to God about it?

Then we need you on our prayer team!

When we receive a request for prayer, the prayer team mobilizes to intercede for our families and communities. We issue updates for those requests, and pass along answered prayer with praise reports.

If you would like to join the team, please call leader Terry Heffington or the church office.

From the Pastor

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Adventures in Hosting!

Do you run circles around Martha Stewart when it comes to hosting? Are you to hosting what Rembrandt is to art? Then we have the perfect “canvas” for you: our Sunday Coffee Fellowship! Whether culinary artistry or just simple refreshments, we’ve got a list looking for your name on it to host our Sunday times of fellowship. It’s hanging near the kitchen – hope to see your name on it!!

As you gather with family and friends, I encourage you to pause and thank God for the hope of eternal life. Let this season renew your faith and fill your hearts with the peace that passes all understanding. The angel at the tomb told the women to “go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead.’” (Matthew 28:7) This Easter season, I encourage you to “go and tell” your friends and neighbors about the joy you know as a follower of the Risen Christ, and invite them to come and see for themselves what this joy can bring.

Thank you for being such a wonderful part of our church family. I look forward to celebrating the miracle of Easter with you in worship!

May the joy of the risen Lord abide in your hearts and homes today and always.

In Christ,
Andy

Donations Needed

Local homeless ministry Closer Walk is in need of practical items for our area homeless friends: deodorant, small bottles of hand sanitizer, feminine hygiene items, and bar soap. If you can help, please bring the items to the collection bin in the narthex

Church Staff / Participants

- Pastor Andy Rausch
- Organist/Choir Accompanist Claire Vincent
- Parish Associate Bill Lane
- Daycare Jerrianna, Sue, Ale, Emely, Elizabeth, Berenice, Yesenia, Erica, Jasmine, Laura, Jasmine S
- Executive Assistant Jackie Gash
- Treasurer Sue Brockett
- Preschool Amanda Robles
- Custodian Jesse Perez
- Set Up Techs Tom Folliard
- Church Secretary Micki Brown

