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News & Views

A newsletter of Northminster Presbyterian Church

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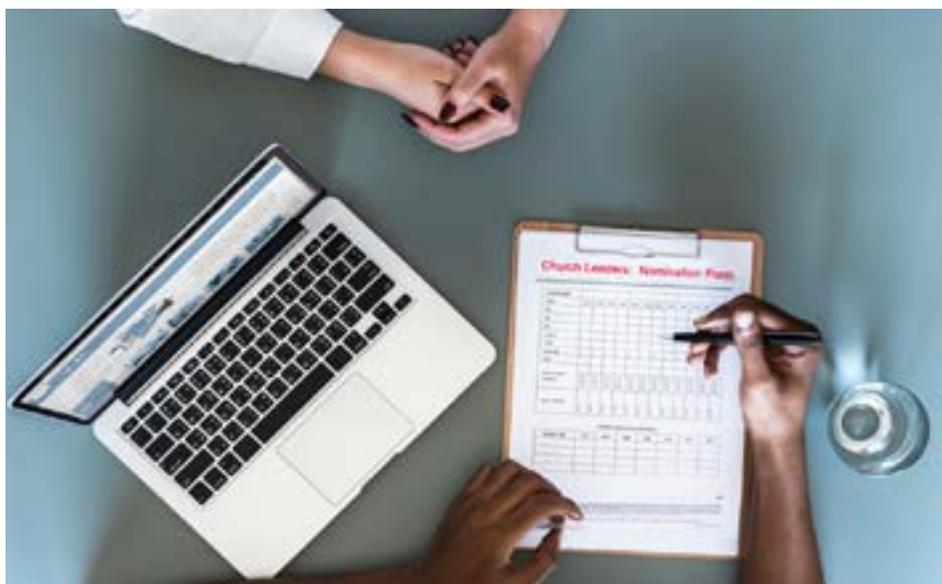
Yes - that's right. News & Views, as we know it, is coming to an end. This is the last issue. But ...

Each month we'll continue to send out the smaller publication that you've recently seen, "This Month at Northminster." Please continue to send in your articles about classes, concerts, meetings, fun events, etc. That information will appear in "This Month at Northminster" as well as on our website, in the

weekly email, Sunday bulletin, and on social media.

And this fall we're looking forward to a brand new publication - a quarterly magazine, complete with interesting articles, stories and a crisp, new look!

So ... each month by the 10th, send your usual articles to Susan Glant at sglant@northminster-indy.org.



Looking for a Few Good Servant Leaders

If you know of a person with the qualities you believe would make a good elder or deacon for service here at Northminster, please turn their name in to the church office ASAP. Email nancys@northminster-indy.org

The nominating committee is beginning to form a slate for election in the fall. We need suggestions now. Thanks!

Worship in June

Sunday, June 2nd is the 7th and last Sunday of Easter. In Romans 6 Paul wrestles with grace and sin and the hope of resurrection. We will celebrate the sacrament of Communion and this is also Graduate Recognition Sunday.

Sunday, June 9th is Pentecost, one of the top three celebrations of the church year. If you want, please wear red. The passage from Romans 8 is familiar because of its use in funerals- Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

Sunday, June 16th we will explore the first passage for this year's Vacation Bible School. It is all about water and we start at the beginning with creation. Teachers will be recognized today.

Sunday, June 23rd we continue with the water theme and explore Moses and the watery rock in Numbers 20.

Sunday, June 30th John 4 continues the water theme with Jesus and the Woman at the well.

Explore the Book of Confessions

A new Adult Ed class will be offered in June and July. Explore the Book of Confessions and the heritage of reformed theology with Master of Theology student, and NPC member, Kyle Trowbridge. We'll read through the documents that have formed and reformed our faith tradition, during the 10:00 hour on Sundays from June 2nd – July 21st (no class June 16th) in the Board Room.

confessional document discussing their context contribution to church doctrine. Reformed tradition is an important aspect of our daily life in faith, even if we don't always recognize it, so leaders, elders and deacons of the church are encouraged to attend.

To sign up for this class and receive your books, contact the church office (317-251-9489).



All levels of theological expertise are welcome, and a copy of the syllabus can be found online or with the purchase of books from the office. Learners are encouraged to sign up for the class and pick up the material early. Each session will explore a different

Vacation Bible School

June 17 - 19
6 - 8 pm

(Details on back page)

Church School

During the months of June and July, Preschool and Nursery care will be offered at both the 9 and 11 services. Church School will be offered only at the 11 am service, excluding the first Sunday of the month when communion is celebrated.



Congratulations 2019 Confirmation Class!

(Jenice Alexander, Soloman Alexander, Leo Angotti, Lily Banks, Sarah Crook, Ellie Dinwiddie, Jessica Gritton, Hannah Hittle, Lucy Hittle, Sophie Johnson, Caroline Keltner, Audrey Neterval, Caroline Robinson, William Ronco)

Back to School Extravaganza

B2SE is a partnership with Northminster, St. Luke's United Methodist, and Second Presbyterian churches, to prepare 1,200 Washington Township School children for a new year with clothes, school supplies and new shoes. Each year it takes a tremendous effort from the entire congregation to make B2SE a success. It requires a number of activities during the course of the summer to prepare for the final event at St. Luke's. I have included below a schedule of those events and the number of people we need to achieve this goal:

June 2nd Sun. - Laundering of clothing from lost-n-found begins.

June 12th & June 19th Weds. – 9:00 am – noon @ Northminster – Sorting & Hanging clothes – 10 people

Time to be announced – youth group sorting & hanging



(Above: 2018 Back to School Extravaganza volunteers)

July 17th Weds. – 9:00am – noon @ Northminster – Inventory boxing & preparation – 25 people

July 26th Fri. – noon @ Northminster – Load Truck – 6 young people

July 26th Fri. – 4:00 – 6:00 pm @ St. Luke's – Set up clothing store – 20 people

July 27th Sat. – 9:00 – noon – 1st shift at the store – 20 people

July 27th Sat. – Noon – 3:00 – 2nd Shift at the store – 20 people

You can sign up for these work sessions on the Back to School Extravaganza page of our church website. It is an excellent opportunity for families to work together on a mission project. Please be a part of the church team.

Questions? Contact Jerry Gray: jerrygray48@gmail.com

Summer Camp Financial Aid

Scholarships are now available for children and youth attending faith-based camps or conferences this summer.

Heading to Massenetta, Montreat, or PYOCA this summer? Excellent, we have financial aid available for you!

Support for these scholarships come from donations to the Youth program and largely from the pro-

ceeds from Italian Night.

Any student, grades 1st -12th, involved in Northminster ministries, is eligible for assistance. We are able to offer a subsidy for ½ the total cost of the program. If more is required, additional assistance may be offered on a case-by-case basis.

The deadline for summer program aid is July 22nd.

Congregation members are encouraged to hold our young members in prayer as they spend their summers learning and growing in faith.

If you are interested in learning more contact Maureen Wilson at mwilson@northminster-indy.org

2020 Kenya Trip Meeting - Sunday, August 25

In this season of celebrating mothers and fathers, we are grateful for the many Umoja volunteers who nurture our orphaned children.

Sharon (pictured, right) is a post-secondary student who says Umoja is shaping her “to be someone.” Sharon’s story illustrates Umoja’s coordinated effort to surround students with encouragement and support.

(See video link on the Kenya Event on our website.)

Come to the Board Room at noon on Sunday, August 25th, to learn more about the Umoja Project and the trip Northminster members will make to visit in July 2020. This is an informational meeting only. No commitment. Questions? Contact Pastor Teri Thomas: terithomas@northminster-indy.org



Teach Our Children Well: 2019 Pentecost Offering

As we have witnessed as a congregation, recent Sunday services have included baptisms where we have welcomed the newest members of our congregation, the future of our church. And as we have pledged to support them, these are the beneficiaries of the Pentecost Offering. Uniting Presbyterians church-wide in supporting young people in Christ, these gifts are used to inspire at-risk children, youth ministries, and young adult volunteers.

And your giving starts with our congregation, which retains 40% of Pentecost Offerings to develop and support Northminster’s church and community programs for young people.

Help our youth begin life with a strong start—a solid foundation of faith formed in the years from childhood through young adulthood.

Watch for special collection envelopes in church pews beginning on June 2. Pentecost Offering will be received on June 9 – Day of Pentecost.

If we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.



#foodandfaith - June 23rd

This group (adults 24-45) gathers on Sundays for lunch, faith discussions and support every other month. They will meet on Sunday, June 23rd at 12:15 for a backyard grill party at the home of Tori and Chad Kincaid. The Kincaids will provide grilled food and dessert and you are asked to bring a side to share and any adult beverages you

would like to share. Friends and children are welcome. Please rsvp directly to Tori at tori.kincaid@att.net. Their address is 6061 N. Oxford St., Indianapolis, IN 46220.

What Do Deacons Do?

On May 8th, the Deacons provided coffee and lots of doughnuts to the teachers of School 55/Butler Lab School for Teacher Appreciation Week. The Deacons also support the teachers with snacks in the teacher’s lounge twice a month.

June Birthdays

Mike Bensi	6/1	Craig Hittle	6/19
Mindy Butler	6/1	Bob Nation	6/19
Suzanne Gaidoo	6/1	Amy Stults	6/19
Norm Best Jr	6/2	Becca Haag	6/20
Nathan Kinney	6/4	Nancy Flamme	6/21
Patricia McVey	6/4	Christie Call	6/22
Colleen Hooper	6/6	Lori Mail	6/22
Lee Morack	6/6	Chris Palladino	6/23
August Neier	6/6	Tony Dzwonar	6/24
Jennifer Skeels	6/6	Victor Mercer	6/24
Ian Clarke	6/7	William Rodenbeck	6/25
Stephi Mansell	6/7	Marilyn Baumgardt	6/26
Sharon Parsley	6/7	Francois Lutumika	6/26
Mimi Davis	6/8	Barbara Morris	6/26
Jim Dougans	6/9	Terry Brooks	6/27
Deb Goodchild	6/9	Bonnie Fulnecky	6/27
Joyce Hall	6/10	Meredith Brase	6/28
Lori Olivier	6/13	Kevin Clayton	6/28
Denny Phegley Jr	6/14	David Cornett	6/28
Sarah Oldham	6/15	Leona Melton	6/28
Barb Weber	6/16	Joan Carr	6/29
Morgan Boone	6/18	Shannon Lyst	6/30
Jeff Hunter	6/18	Sharon Lyst	6/30
Janice Bilby	6/19	Kate Runge	6/30
Liz Eckert	6/19		

June Calendar Highlights

6/2	10:00 AM	Explore the Book of Confessions (1st class)
6/3	6:00 PM	Caregivers Support Group
6/4	6:00 PM	Organ Task Force
6/4	7:00 PM	Team Meeting Night
6/5	1:00 PM	Caregivers Support Group
6/5	7:00 PM	Nominating Committee
6/9	12:05 PM	Montreat Meeting
6/10	6 & 7 PM	Stephen Ministers
6/10	7:00 PM	Health Support Group
6/11	4:00 PM	Finance Committee Meeting
6/12	9:00 AM	Spiritual Striders
6/17	6:00 PM	VBS Begins
6/18	6:00 PM	Organ Task Force
6/20 - 6/23		Massanetta Springs Conference
6/23	12:15 PM	#food&faith Group
6/25	9:00 AM	Newsletter Stuffers
6/27	1:30 PM	Stephen Minister Leaders

See the complete calendar at www.northminster-indy.org, click on **Menu** and then **Calendar**.

Community Picnic: Sunday, August 18

This year's Community Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 18th, at noon in the south parking lot of the church.

As in past picnics, we'll invite residents of the Broad Ripple area to join us, and we ask you to invite your friends and neighbors as well.

We'll have fried chicken and other foods plus a lot of entertainment for children.

Please put this wonderful event on your calendar. More details will follow!

NorthStars Summer Concert Plans

Attention North Stars! This summer's concert will be held at Holiday Park on Thursday, July 18, at 7 pm. Music will be provided by the Farrelly/Markiewicz Jazz Quintet. Bring your lawn chair, food and beverage. Food trucks will also be on site for your convenience. Bring a friend or neighbor and come early to enjoy beautiful Holiday Park. Please confirm your attendance by notifying Mick and Elle Keppler at 317-549-2358, 317-727-9286 or keppler2@sbcglobal.net.

Lutumika Family Update

At an end of year celebration and award ceremony for English as New Language (ENL) students at North Central High School, Helene Lutumika received an award for "making the most progress" in leaning and speaking English. In addition to the ENL class, Helene also

excelled in her regular curricular classes. Her teachers (David Magness, pictured in left photo with Helene) recognized her as a "hard working and good student". They especially like her "eagerness and enthusiasm" to learn. Congratulations, Helene!



Helene - certificate of achievement



Helene with her ENL teacher

Caregiver Support Group

This support group is for all caregivers. Church members and non-members are welcome. June meeting dates are, Monday, June 3, at 6 pm, and Wednesday, June 5, at 1 pm. We meet in the Conference Room near the pastor's offices.

Health Support Group

The next meeting of the Health Support Group is Monday, June 10, at 7 pm, upstairs in the Knox Room. This support group is for anyone dealing with long-term or chronic illness.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Each Wednesday, the MPB group (Bible study for men) begins at 8:15 am, downstairs in the Board Room. Cost is \$10 for breakfast. We pray and talk, have a hearty breakfast, and study scripture together. Visitors always welcome! Contact Bob Bowers: 317-259-7366.

3B Exercise

This FREE exercise class happens each Monday and Thursday at 2:30 pm. Chair Yoga is offered on Mondays at 2:45 pm, June 3rd & 17th. Community invited!

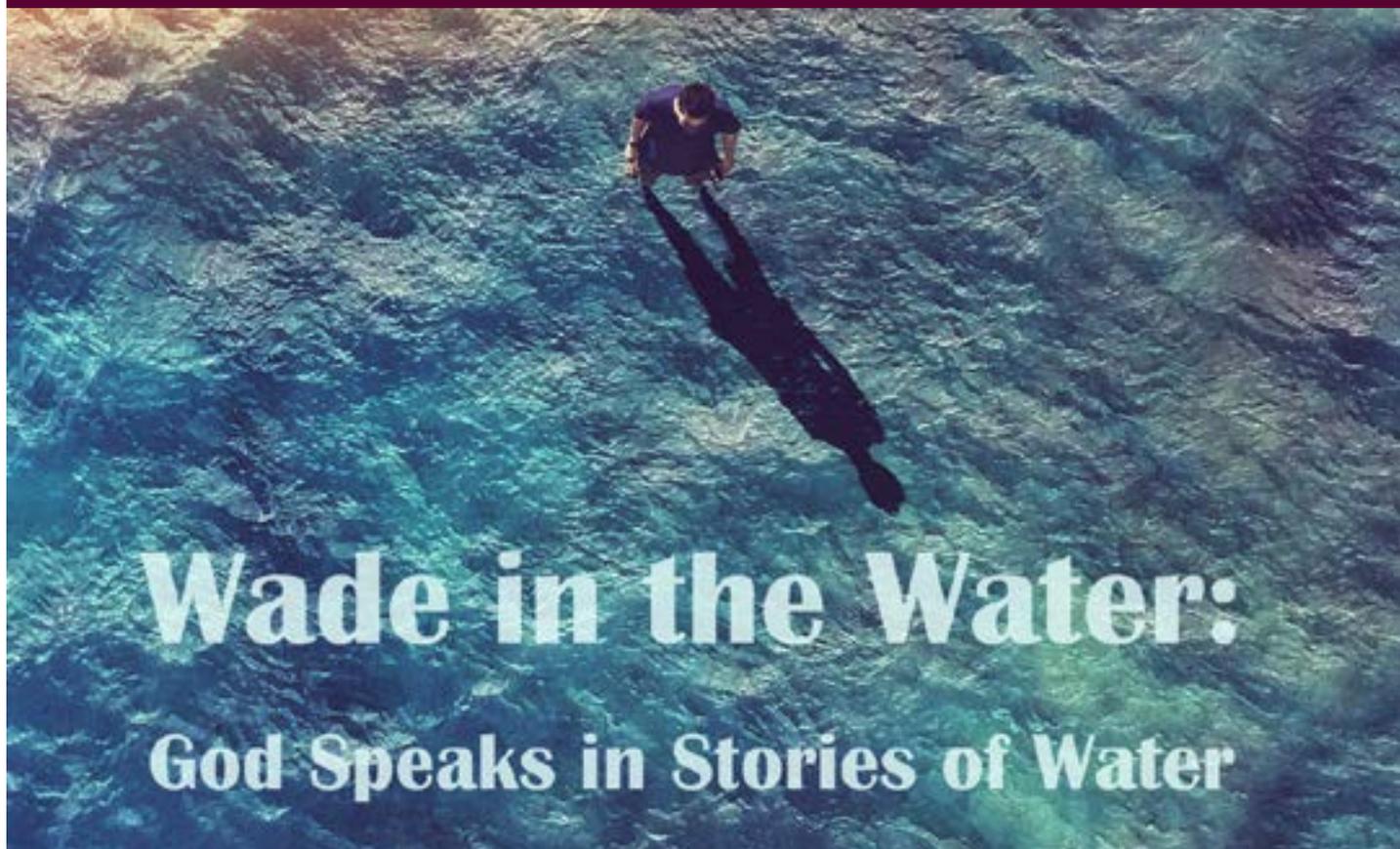
Food Pantry

Volunteers continue to be needed for the second Tuesday of each month, which is Northminster Day at Second Presbyterian. If that particular day does not work for you, Wednesday evenings and Thursday and Saturday day-times are also available. Contact John Reed (bjjkreed@comcast.net or 317-919-6505) for details and signup. Also, keep those plastic and paper bags coming to the wire bin labeled "Food Pantry" located across the hall from our church office. Thank you.

Mission Team News

Pictured below is the presentation of a Mission Team check to the Raphael Health Center, 34th & Central. Raphael is a full-service, community-based health center situated in Indianapolis' Mid-Town. Pictured are (left) Raphael Development Director, Victoria Petersen Elia, receiving check from Mission Team member, Carrie Savage-Zimmerman (right).





Intergenerational Vacation Bible School
Wade in the Water: God Speaks in Stories of Water
June 17th – 19th 2019
6:00pm – 8:00pm at Northminster

Light supper provided, beginning at 6 pm, followed by stories, games, crafts & mission projects.

Adult education class led by Rev. Teri Thomas.

Nursery and Preschool care provided.

Activities for grades Kindergarten – Adult.

Sign up forms can be found on information tables at church: Please return forms to Maureen Wilson in the church office.

You may also sign up on the VBS Event page of our website:

<http://bit.ly/WadeInTheWaterVBS>

Questions? Contact Maureen: mwilson@northminster-indy.org
or 317-251-9489 ext. 18.