

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Welcome to Christ's Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

*January Eight in the Year of Our Lord
Two Thousand Twelve*

Baptism of the Lord

O Taste And See That The Lord Is Good

THE PRELUDE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 29

Liturgist: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings!

Congregants: Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

Liturgist: The voice of the LORD is powerful.

Congregants: The voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

Liturgist: May the LORD give strength to his people!

Congregants: May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Liturgist: Please stand with me to worship God.

* HYMN MSB 12

First Song of Isaiah

*THE CALL TO CONFESSION

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

from Martin Luther's *Flood Prayer*

Through the saving flood of our baptisms, Almighty God, drown all that is born in us from Adam and all sin we have added since. Engulf in those baptismal waters all our pettiness and selfishness and pride. Divorce us from the number of the unbelieving; preserve us safe and dry in the holy ark of Christ's Church. Embolden us to serve your name at all times and make us worthy to attain eternal life according to your promise in Jesus Christ our Lord. (*Silence for personal confession.*)

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Let us keep those listed below in our prayers

Alice Campbell
Rose Howard
Brett Newman

Hazel Deaton
Kathy Hull
Dot Seigler

Jim Deaton
Jim Maile
Janice Thompson

Ruby Dodd
Peg McLaughlin
Jack Vincent

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C. Todd Hester, Pastor
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Melissa Hudson, Music Director
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*THE SESSION *

Clerk of Session: Peggy Walker

Class of 2011: Steve Esworthy, Barry Ferrell, Walt Haines, Tom Hale, Ann Pace, Harley Walker

Class of 2012: Emily Ferrell Allen, Kathy Baker, Jim Eaton, Lynn Kirby, Calvin Robertson, Dana Vaughn

Class of 2013: Sarah Jane Bova, Michelle Christian, Greg Cundiff, Susan Lockard, Bob Newman, Karen Smith

*HYMN *Day of Delight*

THE FIRST LESSON Act 19: 1-7

¹While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. ²He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' ³Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.' ⁴Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.' ⁵On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— ⁷altogether there were about twelve of them.

THE ANTHEM *Wade in the Water* African American Spiritual

THE SECOND LESSON Mark 1: 4-11

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.' ⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

THE SERMON C. Todd Hester

*HYMN 492 *Baptized in Water*

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(The Apostles' Creed)*
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE NORTHMINSTER MINUTE

Barry Ferrell

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY 592

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to The Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving / The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Congregational Hymn 319 *Spirit*

Prayer after Communion

*HYMN 70 *Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized*

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

MSB refers to yellow Memorial Song Book

*Indicates the People Standing

Ushers

Caitlin Godsey, Lauren Godsey, Sarah Godsey, Bob Newman

Communion Servers

Emily Allen, Sarah Jane Bova, Michelle Christian, Barry Ferrell, Ann Pace

Liturgist

Teresa Kelly

Announcements

Ushers for January 15, 2012 – Emily Allen, Barry Ferrell, Judy Ferrell, Ann Pace.

The Northminster congregation is saddened by the death of Sarah Coleman Whitlock on December 21, 2011. Funeral services for this faithful servant of the Lord and of Northminster will be held at a later date.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of Harvey Sisson who died on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2012. Harvey had not been able to participate in church functions for some time but we remember with love his past devotion to the church. Services were held at Oakey's North on Friday.

Circle 1 will meet Tuesday January 10, 2011 at 10:00 am.

The Go-Go's are getting ready for their annual visit to the Cracker Barrel for breakfast. Tuesday, Jan. 17 is the appointed day and 9:00 the time. We always have such a good time and we hope you will be there with us. The Go-Go's welcome all to join us. Because they do not take reservations, we call about an hour ahead on that day to tell them we are coming; therefore, if you can let Lois (366-9408) know by 7:30 that morning we will have the numbers all straight. We welcome all to join us.

Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church will have a free preview class for Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University* on Sunday, January 15, 2012 at 12:30 p.m. All are welcome to come see and ask questions. This is a 13 week class that begins Sunday, January 22nd from 3 to 5 pm every week except Easter and with a makeup class on April 29. There will free childcare for class participants. The cost is \$100 per family unit, which covers the cost of the course, workbook, and Ramsey's *Financial Peace* book, along with a lifetime membership to online budgeting tools and resources. Don't know anything about Dave Ramsey? Go to <http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/preview>.

The response to the mitten tree was great. A final tally of the numbers and distribution will be ready next week.

Volunteers to lead Junior Presbyterians are needed. Materials and lessons are provided. The sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Kirby at 400-7980.

American Bible Society Daily Reading Guide for 2012 is now available on table in the Narthex. They have been reprinted by permission of ABS as hard copies of this publication are no longer available!

Barbara Jones, the Presbyterian Women Historian, needs the names of volunteers for her annual report. If you volunteer at any place other than the Presbyterian Center or Ram, would you please let her know. Thanks.

Joyce Barker is organizing the weekly floral presentations for the 2012 There are a number of openings if you would like to sign up for a Sunday or two. We wish to clarify that the Communion Sundays are available for sign up unless marked "PW" for Presbyterian Women. If it is listed only as "Communion", you may still sign up and are encouraged to do so. Please contact Joyce Barker if you have any questions or concerns.

Calendar

Today	9:45 am 9:45 am 10:55 am 6:00 – 8:00 pm	Sunday School Plugged Worship Service / Communion Wired
Tuesday	10:00 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Circle 1 Mission Committee Meeting Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
Next Sunday	9:45 am 9:45 am 10:55 am 6:00 – 8:00 pm	Sunday School Plugged Worship Service Wired