

Northminster Happenings!

November 17 thru November 23, 2013



WELCOME!

*We're glad to have you worshipping
with us this morning.*

*Help us to know of your presence
by signing the red fellowship pad.*

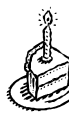
*Note the names of those sitting in your row
and greet them after worship.*

A warm welcome is extended to all visitors.

Prayers and Concerns

Barb Aker
Betty Bross' daughter-in-law, Betty "R"
Brush Family
Frank Baumgardner
Martha Clement
Lindsey Dab
Julie Fark
James Farmer
Betty Lou Graven
Robin Griffin
Marthina Harper
Judy Heaton's brother-in-law, Al
Peggy Hill-Cantrell
Martha Hoyle
Margaret James
Sherri and Jim Lukehart
Suzanne Luthé
Chuck Marks
Lisa & Chuck Mansfield
Lindy McMahon's brother, Charles (Ched)
Lisa Palmer
Rantsong Family
Regina
Rick L.
Scott Riggio
Taylor Ross
Amy Smith
Kate Smith's grandmother, Carol Schoneman
Jill Speakman
Larakay Stalder
Helen Stalder
Mike Stout
Sam Stucky
Kristine Thomas

Our military men and women
serving in harm's way.



*Birthday
Blessings*

Birthdays This Week

<i>Betty Thomas</i>	Nov. 19
<i>Pete Torok</i>	Nov. 20
<i>Chloe McCormick</i>	Nov. 22

Our Worship Leaders

Pastor · Dwight McCormick II
Music Director · Mike Ahern
Choir Director · Jim Townsend
Liturgist · Chuck Vanarsdall

Worship Attendance

2013

<u>Sunday, November 10</u>	90
Monthly Average	93
Yearly Average	94

2012

<u>Sunday, November 11</u>	107
Monthly Average	104
Yearly Average	89

C.A.F.E. (Coffee and Fellowship Express)

You are invited to Northminster's Café before and after worship. Enjoy the fellowship as you sip a drink and eat a treat. *Your donation is appreciated.*

NURSERY CARE

A nursery attendant is available from 10AM until after worship each Sunday morning. You may also choose to have your nursery aged child leave after the children's time.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

✍ **Youth up to grade 5** are welcome to attend Sunday School classes after the children's time.

✍ **The Adult Forum** meets after worship at 11:15 in the Loft. Today's forum continues the study *A Different Kind of Christmas* by Mike Slaughter from Ginghamburg United Methodist Church. The study is intended to help us re-frame the way we celebrate Christmas. Elder Lois Shroyer will be leading today's discussion.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Following worship *today*, a new member class will be held for those who are considering membership in our church. The class will meet at 11:20 a.m. in the library. During our time together we will consider what it means to be a Christian, a Presbyterian, and a member of Northminster Church. There will also be an opportunity for class members to ask questions and explore various aspects of our faith. This is a very exciting time in the church and we hope you will prayerfully consider becoming a member.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, November 24th** immediately following worship. (This is a change of date. The meeting had previously been scheduled for November 17th.) The purpose of the meeting is to vote on the Pastor's Terms of Call for 2014 and elect new officers (elders and deacons).



THANKSGIVING POWER

“Extra leafs for the table are likely on your mind if you anticipate friends or family for Thanksgiving. We sometimes welcome persons into our lives whose politics or attitudes or actions clash with our own. It is the mark of a genuine follower of Jesus that he or she is able to genuinely welcome someone not normally welcome at the table.”

-Rev. Paul Graves
Sandpoint, ID

From the Joyful Noiseletter Nov.-Dec. 2013

This Week's Calendar

Week of: November 17-23, 2013

Monday, November 18

Deadline for December newsletter

Tuesday, November 19

7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast at
Perkins on N. Limestone St.
6:00 p.m. Finance Committee
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Wednesday, November 20

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

*Please see the back for additional
upcoming events and announcements.*

Total Amount Pledged for 2013

\$ 150,853.00

Pledges Received Year-to-Date

\$ 124,770.00

Looking Ahead

Week of: November 24-30, 2013

Sunday, November 24

Christ the King Sunday
Communion
Congregational Meeting

Monday, November 25

6:30 p.m. Remembrance Quilt Guild

Tuesday, November 26

7:00 p.m. Interfaith Thanksgiving
Service at Covenant Presb.

Wednesday, November 27

9:30 a.m. Mail Newsletter

Thursday, November 28

Thanksgiving Day—Office Closed

Friday, November 29

Office Closed



Hanging of the Greens

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Hanging of the Greens will be **Sunday, December 1st!** We hope you will plan to stay after church to help decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas season. Those who do will be rewarded with a light lunch!

Several years ago, members of the congregation donated many beautiful angels to decorate the tree in the sanctuary. Some of those angels need to be replaced.

If you would like to help replenish these ornaments, please bring them to church on Sunday, December 1st.

We also decorate a tree in the Family Room. That tree could also use some new ornaments. If each family would bring a pair of new mittens or gloves, any-size, child to adult, we could have a really colorful tree during Advent, and then make sure some of our neighbors have nice warm hands during the winter!

Please tear off and place in the offering plate.

Prayer Request



PW Christmas Dinner
Friday, December 6th ~ 6:00 PM
Potluck Style Dinner

PW Will Furnish:

Meat, Rolls, Beverages

Please Bring a Side Dish to Share:

Salad, Vegetable, Dessert

ENTERTAINMENT BY:

The Springfield Dulcimer Club

Staff

Dwight McCormick II, Pastor
W. Franklin Sparks, Pastor Emeritus
Joan Generous, Presbyterian Women
June Hughes, Presbyterian Women
Bill Harrison, Treasurer
Nancy Jean Graves, Parish Nurse
Ruth George, Librarian
Mike Ahern, Music Director
Jim Townsend, Choir Director
Greg Veith, Custodian
Gay Steiner, Financial Secretary
Deana Knotts, Office Manager

**Northminster's
Purpose Statement**

*Northminster
Presbyterian Church
will develop disciples
of Jesus Christ
and learn how to follow
the way of Jesus.*

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