

NORTHMINSTER

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 5, 2012

Welcome!

- **Please** be sure to sign the pew pad located at the end of each pew.
- **Prayer Request Cards** are in the Centrum and pews. If you have a request, fill out the card and put it in the basket in the Centrum or give it to an usher.
- **A Nursery** for infants through 2-year-olds is available all morning.
- **Children's Worship** is offered for 3-year-olds through Kindergarten following the Children's Message (room 403 during the 8:15 service; room 110 during the 11:00 service). Children should be accompanied to the classroom by an adult.
- **Junior Church** is offered for 1st – 4th graders during the 8:15 & 11:00 services. They meet following the Children's Message in room 112.
- **Fellowship** and **refreshments** are offered in the Fellowship Hall, 9:30 - 10:30.

Sunday Morning Schedule

"Five Pillars: Faith Alone" based on Galatians 2:15-20.

8:15 a.m. *Worship in Sanctuary*

9:15 a.m. *Coffee Fellowship*

9:45 a.m. *Adult Ed / Sunday School*

Worship in Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. *Contemporary Worship in Trinity Room*

JOIN US FOR...

FIVE PILLARS OF THE REFORMATION

- I - "Scripture Alone"
- II - "Christ Alone"
- III - "Grace Alone"
- IV - "Faith Alone"
- V - "Glory to God Alone"



Worship

Prelude

“Unshakeable Faith”

Brenda Conroy

Welcome & Announcements

❖ Call to Worship

Psalm 5:11-12

L: Let all who take refuge in you rejoice;

P: LET THEM EVER SING FOR JOY.

L: For you bless the righteous, O Lord;

P: YOU COVER THEM WITH FAVOR AS WITH A SHIELD.

❖ Opening Songs

I WALK BY FAITH

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Chorus

**I walk by faith, each step by faith;
To live by faith, I put my trust in You.
I walk by faith, each step by faith;
To live by faith, I put my trust in You**

Verse

**Ev'ry step I take is a step of faith.
No weapon formed against me shall prosper;
And ev'ry prayer I make is a prayer of faith.
If my God is for me, who can be against me?**

Chorus

**I walk by faith, each step by faith;
To live by faith, I put my trust in You.
I walk by faith, each step by faith;
To live by faith, I put my trust in You
I put my trust in You.
I put my trust in You.**

HE IS ABLE

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**He is able, more than able to accomplish what concerns me today.
He is able, more than able to handle anything that comes my way.**

**He is able, more than able to do much more than I could ever dream.
He is able, more than able to make me what He wants me to be.**

**You are able, more than able, to accomplish what concerns me today.
You are able, more than able, to handle anything that comes my way.**

**You are able, more than able, to do much more than I could ever dream.
You are able, more than able, to make me what You want me to be.**

You are able, more than able, to make me what You want me to be.

❖ **Prayer of Confession**

MERCIFUL GOD, YOU SPEAK TO US, YET YOUR VOICE IS DROWNED OUT BY THE BUSYNESS, THE WORRIES AND FEARS, THE ADDICTIONS AND THE DEAFENING SELF-ABSORPTION OF OUR LIVES. FORGIVE US, LORD, WHEN WE FAIL TO BE QUIET SO THAT OUR SOULS MAY FIND REST IN YOU; WHEN WE RUN FROM SOLITUDE IN OUR MISGUIDED ATTEMPTS TO AVOID LONELINESS; WHEN WE RESPOND TO OUR DRY AND THIRSTY SPIRITS WITH MORE ENTERTAINMENT OR ANOTHER DIVERSION THAT CAN NEVER SATISFY. HELP US TO RESPOND TO YOUR CALL WITH FAITH, KNOWING THAT IT IS IN FOLLOWING YOU THAT WE WILL KNOW WHOLENESS, JOY, PEACE AND FREEDOM. AMEN.

❖ **Words of Assurance**

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel.

P: IN JESUS CHRIST WE ARE FORGIVEN

❖ **Response #806 *“Glory to the Father”***

We Offer Ourselves in Love

Special Music

“Simple Faith”

HeartSong

Prayers of the People & Silent Prayer

Celebrations: L: Thank you, God. P: LORD, WE PRAISE YOU.

Concerns: L: This is our prayer. P: HEAR OUR PRAYER, O LORD

Lord’s Prayer

Children’s Message

Allison Rattenborg

- ❖ Hymn (9:45) *“My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”*
(alt. tune, “Near to the Heart of God”)

Verse 1

My faith has found a resting place, not in device nor creed;
I trust the ever-living One, his wounds for me shall plead.

Chorus

I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
it is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

Verse 2

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;
a sinful soul, I come to him, he’ll never cast me out.

Repeat Chorus

Verse 4

My great Physician heals the sick, the lost he came to save;
for me his precious blood he shed, for me his life he gave.

Repeat Chorus

Offertory

“Find Us Faithful”

Gary Tupper & Brenda Conroy

- ❖ Doxology #809 *“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

We Listen to the Word of God

Scripture: Galatians 2:15-20

¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. ¹⁷But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; ²⁰and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

9:45 Response: L: The Word of the Lord. P: THANKS BE TO GOD.

Message: "Five Pillars: Faith Alone" Rev. Mike Shirey

❖ Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 86:

Q: What is faith in Jesus Christ?

A. FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST IS A SAVING GRACE, WHEREBY WE RECEIVE AND REST UPON HIM ALONE FOR SALVATION, AS HE IS OFFERED TO US IN THE GOSPEL.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

We Go Forth in God's Name

❖ Closing Hymn *“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”*

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Verse 1

**‘Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His Word;
Just to rest upon His promise, just to know, “Thus saith the Lord!”**

Refrain

**Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I’ve proved Him o’er and o’er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!**

Verse 2

**O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust His cleansing blood;
Just in simple faith to plunge me ’neath the healing, cleansing flood!**

Repeat Refrain

Verse 3

**Yes, ’tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.**

Repeat Refrain

Verse 4

**I’m so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend,
And I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.**

Repeat Refrain

❖ Charge and Benediction

❖ Response *“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”*

Refrain

Postlude *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

Brenda Conroy

*****Worship Ends, Service Begins*****

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

Reader:	8:15	Roberta Burns
Hosts/Ushers:		Jim & Pam Garner Bob & Esther Moore Fred & Bobbie Prager Terry & Carol Shirley
Reader:	9:45	Barbra Moran
Hosts/Ushers:		Ken & Terri Arnett Bob & Connie Brandow Brian & Jane Meginnis Ken & Amy Mauser

Education Opportunities this Morning

Children's Sunday School

NURSERY: Rooms 310 & 312

PRESCHOOL (3 - 4 year-olds): Room 405

EXTREME FAITH ADVENTURE (K - 5th grade): Gathering begins in Room 407

Angel's Arms

SPECIAL NEEDS CLASS: Rooms 106 & 108

Youth

ALPHAS (6th - 7th grades): Room 318

CONFIRMATION (8th grade): Room 314

OMEGAS (9th - 12th grades):

Topical Study: Room 304

In-depth Bible Study: Room 119

Adults

CURRENT EVENTS: This ongoing class examines current events in light of Christian faith and the Bible. In room 110.

DISCOVERY GROUP: This ongoing group studies the weekly sermon text using a Study Guide written by Pastor Shirey. In room 123.

Announcements

CELEBRATION

Today we celebrate Brett Strasma and his family. Thanks for all you have done to make the Contemporary Worship service a success over the last three years!

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, February 12th, at Noon
In the Fellowship Hall
A potluck will be held in conjunction with the meeting. Drinks and table service provided. Bring a dish to share.

MANNA BAGS

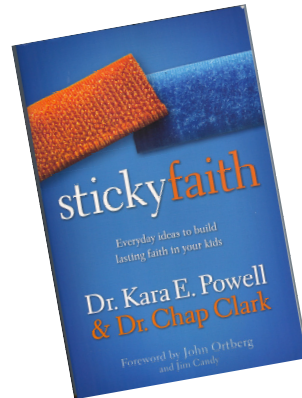
Manna Bags are available in the Fellowship Hall. Pick one up to keep in your car which can be given to someone who is out on the street and is in need of something to eat or keep them warm.

CHRISTIAN DATING REDEFINED

Saturday, February 11th, 7:00 p.m.
In the Trinity Room
Singles of all ages are invited!
There will be a short DVD on Christian dating followed by fellowship & small group activities.

NEW ADULT ED CLASS

February 26th - March 25th
"Sticky Faith: Everyday Ideas to Build Lasting Faith in your Kids"
To register for the class, contact



Pastor Joel or Karen Ring by February 19th (691-6322). Books can be ordered through the church office for \$10 or you can download it to your Kindle.

CRITTENTON CENTERS

Northminster's Mission Team will be investigating different mission and volunteer opportunities in our community each month. You are invited to join the Mission Team as they tour Crittenton Centers on February 7th at 6:00 p.m. (442 W. John Gwynn Jr. Blvd.). If you are interested in joining them and want to car pool, please call Pam Garner (453-9928).

DINNER GROUPS

If you are interested in being in a dinner group and haven't signed up yet, contact Bobbie Prager (692-5381) or Sue Carroll (692-6669).

GAP GROUP GOES TO BRADLEY GAME

Wednesday, February 15th

Tip-off is 7:00 p.m.

For tickets, contact Jesse

Placher by February 8th

(jesseplacher@hotmail.com).

DREAM CENTER

The Dream Center in Peoria needs the following for their Hope Store: winter boots, coats & accessories and sheets & blankets. In addition, they are accepting formal attire, such as prom dresses, shoes, and accessories, for a high school girl's shopping day. Items can be placed in the bin in the Fellowship Hall. Check out the Dream Center, website: www.dreamcenterpeoria.org.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Parish Nurses will hold regular Blood Pressure Screenings on the second Sunday of the month. Screenings will be held in the Parish Nurse Office 9:15 - 10:15 and in the Community Room (room 124) 10:45 - 12:15. Anyone who needs more than a monthly check can contact the Parish Nurses to set up other times.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN OFFERING

Capital Campaign offerings should be placed in the white envelopes with the yellow logo. Make an indication on the envelope if your donation is for the 2008 or 2011 campaign. Thanks!

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE & LENTEN DEVOTIONALS

Lent is a season of soul-searching and repentance. It is a season for reflection and preparation for Easter. By observing the forty days of Lent, the individual Christian imitates Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and Northminster will hold a worship service with the imposition of ashes on February 22nd, 7:00 p.m. in the Trinity room. (There will be no wednesdays@npc that night.)



Lenten devotions will be available to each family to help prepare our hearts for our observation of Jesus' death and celebration of his resurrection.

The Marriage Ministry Team Presents

Sweetheart Dinner & Dance

Friday, February 10th, 6:30 - 11:00 p.m.

@ Cater Inn

\$60.00 per couple

Tickets available in the Fellowship Hall.

The youth will be providing babysitting at the church — donations accepted.

Mexico Mission 2012

February 18th - 25th

Today we will collect a special offering for the Mexico mission trip. Use the envelope provided; make the check out to Northminster with a notation that it is for the Mexico Mission Trip. The money will be used to purchase supplies for projects at Tres Reyes. The team is in need of the following items to take with them. Please bring your items to church by February 19th and place in the suitcase in the Fellowship Hall.

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| Ball caps - new | Pens |
| Bandanas | Quart size Ziploc bags |
| Crochet hooks | Red Heart® yarn |
| Flip flops or crocs - all sizes | Suitcases - large |
| Hand pump | Toothbrushes & toothpaste |
| Hard candy | Travel size toiletries |
| Jump ropes - long & short | White crew socks |
| Pads of paper | Work gloves |
| Balls - deflated (soccer, basket, playground) | |
| Christian coloring books (Spanish, if possible) | |
| Fabric for skirts (plain, dark colors) | |

Please keep this mission trip in your prayers.

Thank you!

SONRISE NATIONAL PARK VBS

JUNE 11-15



Vacation Bible School at Northminster is a very important event. It is our opportunity to share God's love and word with over 400 children from our community. It's a huge project and we need the help of all members of our church family to make it work. Because of the size of our church, decorating for this event takes a great deal of time, as does the preparation of crafts. We are beginning that work soon and hope that you will take some time to join the fun and anticipation by coming to our work days. We have several scheduled:

February 25th, 9:00 - Noon

April 21st, 9:00 - Noon

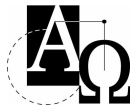
March 13th, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

May 9th, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

March 31st, 9:00 - Noon

May 19th, 9:00-12:00

We will gather in the Learning Center and childcare will be available.



YOUTH NEWS

Associate Pastor of Youth & Young Adults: Rev. Joel Vander Wal joelv@northminster.us

OMEGA SUPER BOWL PARTY

Today @ 5:00 p.m. at The Cory's
(1017 W. Bennett Ct., Dunlap)
Bring a snack to share!

OMEGA 30 HOUR FAMINE

February 17th - 18th
Students will worship, play games,
and serve our local community.

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Youth volunteers are needed to help babysit for the Sweetheart Dinner/Dance on February 10th. If you are able to help out for a few hours, please let Pastor Joel know. This is a service project that our Youth Ministry is providing for our church family in gratitude for all of the spiritual and financial support they give us throughout the year.

This Week's Schedule

TODAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2012

5:00 p.m. - Omega Super Bowl Party @ Cory's

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2012

9:00 a.m. - Women's PW

1:00 p.m. - Bridge Group

7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts Troop 88

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2012

9:15 a.m. - Bibles & Bouquets

Christianity on Caffeine

6:00 p.m. - Men's Basketball League

Missions @ Crittenton Centers

7:00 p.m. - Building & Grounds

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012

6:00 a.m. - Wednesday Warriors

9:00 a.m. - Moms in the Light

1:00 p.m. - Church Cleaning

1:30 p.m. - Crochet Time

5:15 p.m. - Alphas Rec Time

5:45 p.m. - Meal

6:15 p.m. - The Edge (5th & 6th Grades)

Alphas (7th & 8th Grades)

6:30 p.m. - Moms in the Light @ Night

NPC Kids Club

Pastor Hucke's Bible Study

7:00 p.m. - OT Bethel

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012

9:00 a.m. - Exercise Class

9:00 a.m. - NT Bethel

7:00 p.m. - Crochet Time

Music Opportunities This Week

Today

Driven 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Joyful Noise 5:15 p.m.

FunFest Musical 5:15 p.m.

Praise in Bronze 5:15 p.m.

Blended Praise Team 6:15 p.m.

HeartSong 6:30 p.m.

Contemporary Vocals 6:45 p.m.

Contemporary Band 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday

Driven 4:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2012

6:00 p.m. - Sweetheart Dinner/Dance

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2012

7:00 p.m. - Christian Dating Redefined

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2012

12:00 p.m. - Annual Meeting & Potluck

4:00 p.m. - Bowling @ Mt. Hawley

5:00 p.m. - Omega Youth Group

On-Going Events

- ❖ wednesdays@npc: The meal begins at 5:45 p.m. This week's menu is: Chili, chicken noodle soup, salad, veggies, breadsticks, cinnamon rolls.
- ❖ Church Cleaning, Wednesdays @ 1:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome!
- ❖ Bridge is played on Mondays, 1:00 - 2:30, in room 106.
- ❖ Exercise Classes with Karen Saatkamp are Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.
- ❖ Coats and belts are needed for the homeless community. Place items in the Fellowship Hall.
- ❖ Weekly devotionals are available in the Centrum & Trinity Room lobby. They are written by Rev. Mike Shirey & correlate to Sunday's scripture.
- ❖ Prayer chain: If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, please contact prayers@northminster.us or call the church office at 691-6322.
- ❖ Updated telephone directories are available in the church office.

Up-Coming Event

- ❖ Next Sunday is Parish Nurse Sunday. A special offering will be collected to help fund some of their programs.
- ❖ Crochet Time: February 8th, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m., and February 9th, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.; beginners & experienced crocheters welcome!
- ❖ The Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser Dinner will be February 19th. Fill out a bulletin insert to make your reservation.

BROKEN ARROW MINISTRIES & DR. GREG BOURGOND PRESENT...

Heart of a Warrior & Papa's Blessings

Saturday, March 3rd

9:00 - 3:00

At Northminster Presbyterian Church

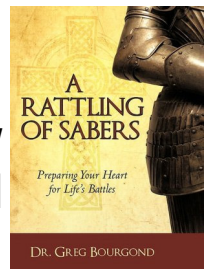
...perfect for fathers and sons...

Cost is \$25.00 per person. All proceeds support Broken Arrow Ministries, Inc. a local ministry working with area youth and families by using the life skill sport of archery and sharing the Gospel of Christ. After a brief message from Robbie Stouffer, President and Founder of Broken Arrow Ministries, Dr. Gregory Bourgond will speak. This is not a Bible study. The message you will hear will be about a course on living a life of integrity and honor under God's authority.

9:00 — 10:00 a.m. Check In & Social Hour

10:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m. "Heart of a Warrior"

God is stirring the souls of men. It is time to get ready for your call to battle! Are you ready? No one cares what you have to say until they observe how you live. When you live an observable life of integrity and honor, they will listen to what you have to say.

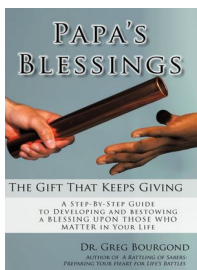


12:00 — 1:00 p.m. Lunch

Avanti's Spaghetti, bread, salad, assorted dressings

1:00 — 3:00 p.m. "Papa's Blessings"

In *Papa's Blessings*, author Dr. Greg Bourgond focuses on the vital importance of bestowing blessings upon others. This practical and helpful guide provides a fresh take on applying an ancient practice to life in the modern world.



Limited seating. Pre-registration required.

Contact Robbie Stouffer at 309-338-7580

brokenarrowministriesinc@gmail.com

The Vision of Northminster Presbyterian Church is to be a Christ-Centered Community doing God's Work in the World.

Our Mission is to reach out and embrace others with God's Love.

The Great Purpose Christ has given us is expressed in the Great Commandment, to love God wholeheartedly while loving neighbors as ourselves, and in the Great Commission, to reach out and make disciples.

Northminster's Staff

Pastor: Dr. Doug Hucke (Cell phone: 264-1985)

Associate Pastor: Rev. Mike Shirey (Cell phone: 712-6481)

Associate Pastor of Youth & Young Adults: Rev. Joel Vander Wal (Cell phone: 361-9568)

Pastor Emeritus: Dr. Roane Deckert

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Sextons: Michael Davis & Ryan Williams

Food Service Director: Wanda Davis

Director, Northminster Learning Center: Stacy Berg

Parish Nurses: Ginger Kruiswyk, R.N., Jane Meginnes, R.N., Judy Pipe, R.N.

In case of pastoral emergency, call (309) 303-9112.

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Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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