



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**January
2018**

We seek to be an open, diverse congregation, reaching out so that hearts and lives are nurtured and transformed through the power of God's amazing love.

Monday, January 1		Happy New Year!
	8:00	AA (every Monday)
Tuesday, January 2	7:00	Caduceus (every Tuesday)
		Impact Seventh Day Adventist church (every Tuesday)
Thursday, January 4	6:00	GFWC Valamont Woman's Club
Saturday, January 6		Impact Seventh Day Adventist Church (every Saturday)
Sunday, January 7	9:45	Sunday School (every Sunday)
	11:00	Worship (every Sunday)
	12:00	Fellowship (every Sunday)
Monday, January 8	12:30	Lectionary Bible Study at the Feldman's (every Monday)
		Hamilton County Schools return to classes
Wednesday, January 10	7:00	Choir Rehearsal (every Wednesday)
Sunday, January 14		following worship Congregational Meeting
Saturday, January 20		Session Retreat at McDonald's Cabin
Sunday, January 21	11:00	Ordination and Installation of new Elders
Friday, January 26		Newsletter Deadline

Those Serving in January

Ushers and Communion Prep: Doug and Janet Giddings
Communion Servers: Rachel Tinaya, Janet Giddings, Bill McDonald

	<u>January 7</u>	<u>January 14</u>	<u>January 21</u>	<u>January 28</u>
Liturgist	K. Brown	Evan Pell	Sheena Boran	Joe Tanner
Fellowship	Martin	Miller		

Church Staff and Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Laura Becker Music Director: Dr. Lonnie McCalister
Pianist: Allie Stafford Bass: Jay Banasiak Clerk of Session: Janet Giddings Treasurer: Beth Miller
Session: Sheena Boran (2018), Kevin Brown (2018), Janet Giddings (2017)
Wanda Hunt (2019); Bill McDonald (2019); Beth Miller, (2017), Rachel Tinaya (2018)

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January 2	Rachel Tinaya
January 3	Tim Miller
January 24	Lonnie McCalister

The Session has called a **Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 14th** after worship for the purpose of changing the terms of the Pastor's call, election of elders for the Class of 2020, presentation of the 2018 budget, and anything rising out of the above.



JANUARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays, 9:45 a.m.

The Children's class will be exploring the weekly lectionary text through story-telling and crafts.

The Adult Sunday school class will continue in the study of Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther, as we see how these three books connect to one another and explore the return of the exiled Israelites to their home.



The **Session Retreat** will be held Saturday, January 20th at the McDonald's cabin. Prayers are requested as they outline the path for Northminster in 2018.



Narrative Lectionary Texts for January

January 7: John 1:35-51
January 14: John 2:1-11
January 21: John 2:13-25
January 28: John 3:1-21

Christmas Season THANKS:

- to the many people who set up, decorated, served, and cleaned up from the annual Church Christmas Dinner
- to those who brought gifts for the auction, and to those who purchased gifts, as over \$1500 was raised to benefit Bridge Refugee Services
- to Lonnie, Allie, Anna, and choir members for the presentation of Jay's original Christmas Cantata
- (from Santa for Seniors coordinators) "Dear Santa, Thank you for helping spread holiday cheer to the Meals on Wheels clients of Southeast TN. We appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity. With your assistance, several hundred bags were delivered this holiday season." (see the bulletin board for pictures)



Chattanooga MLK Day of Service Opportunities

Join City of Chattanooga - Government Office of Multicultural Affairs as we honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through community service. This is our fifth year organizing "A Day on, Not a Day Off" in honor of Dr. King's Legacy.

This year we'll gather for our kickoff event on the east end of Chamberlain Field at The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, service projects will be spread out over the entire city!

#MLKDOS18 SCHEDULE

Volunteer Check In 8 - 9 AM

Service Projects Begin 9 AM

Kickoff Location: UTC Chamberlain Pavilion

Projects will last until 12:30 PM or earlier as tasks are completed.

LOVE AND EQUITY: AN INTERFAITH PANEL DISCUSSION HELD IN HONOR OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

- Monday, January 15, 2018
- Hunter Art Museum - 1:00 PM 2:00 PM

Dr. King's message of love and equity for all comes from his strong faith and also is echoed in the teachings of other religions. Today we welcome panelists from five faith traditions - Sush Shantha (Hinduism), Nur Sisworahardjo (Islam), Jonathan Butler (Christianity), Michael Dzik (Judaism), Brandon Jones (Atheism) and Moderator, Charles Neal to discuss these themes in their belief system.

This program is free to the community. Guests are invited to explore the museum galleries afterwards to find these themes manifest in the collection.

Newsletter deadline for February is January 26th. Email information to office@northminsterchatt.org .

Memorial Gifts

to the Music Fund in memory of

Ernestine Boaz

Nancy Brannan

Ron and Dana Feldman

Doug and Janet Giddings

Barbara Lesley

Neal and Susan Martin

Aprille Quinn

If you have any updates on a person or situation on our prayer list, please email the church office at office@northminsterchatt.org

In our prayers . . .

- Rachel Lesler's dad, Randy, diagnosed with cancer, receiving chemo and her mom taking care of the family
- safe travels for those visiting family and friends during the holiday season
- Michael Henry's grandmother who has moved into assisted living
- Clay, Mya and Brynne Martin on the birth of their daughter/sister Brylin; proud grandparents Neal and Susan Martin
- Those who are victims of fires in CA
- Wanda Hunt as she begins her work with the Indian Health Service in South Dakota
- Jane Meek receiving chemo but PET showed no new tumors
- Myra Matthews who received a bone marrow transplant and is doing well
- Good test results for Nancy Tanner
- Jamarien from Giselle Palmer's school recovering after a car wreck
- Victims of the train derailment in WA state
- Lauren, Doreen, Haley, and their family
- Thanksgiving for the good news on Eli Tinaya's MRI
- Florence Nelson in Hospice care
- Barbara Lesley recovering from removal of skin cancers on her back
- Avery Stocker's mom
- Congratulations to Lorne Conn upon her graduation from Lee and accepting her first job
- Those without safe shelter from the cold
- Diane Stocker's friend diagnosed with pancreatic cancer
- Kimberly Robertson Kirk's father-in-law
- Unspoken prayers
- Those suffering with mental illness and/or addictions; those struggling financially; those seeking employment; those in abusive situations; people in troubled relationships; **those suffering with depression**; those dealing with infertility and pregnancy loss; citizens in the midst of fighting around the world
- Those dealing with cancer and treatments: Angelina; Jario Barboza; Betty; Amber Blair; Michele Bostick; Drew Braddock; Amal Brown; John Butler; Risa Carroll; Patti Carter; Tommy Cash; Jill Cavan; Trish Cooper; Margaret Craft; Randy Deacon; Curt Demming; Guinda Derrico; Drew; Christy Edmundson; Emmeline; Kathleen G.; Kevin George; Kristen Hayes; Jack Holley; Anita Johnson; Jackie James; John; Josiah; George Kilgore; David Kyle; Linda Lundy; Bette Malone; Mike S.; Gracie Moore; James Panky; Art Paul; Pat Ramsey; Grier Richards; David Royston; Jim Scolet; Gail Sissom; Sissy Skipper; Mark Steele; Steve; Kathy Sykes; Linda Wheeler; Emily Wilson; Bill Younger
- Continuing prayers: John, Emily and Ginny Barr; Barbara Becker; Griffin Carpenter; Connie Condra; Andy Coradini; Sydney Craven; Jake Fulmer; Forest Gentry; Asher Giddings; Alice Gilreath; Hannah Grant; Lucy Hardin; Ray and Erica Hauer; Steve Heron; Justin Hunt; Paul Hyde; Zach Jenkins; **Martine Kendall**; the Knopff family; Andrea McCalister; Rachel McDonald; Mercy Junction; Gene and Beverly Norris; Fredrick Pinkard; Gene and Marilyn Sirard; Sue and King White; Rob and Jean Williamson; the Woodmore school and community; Austin Young
- Homebound: Barbara Lesley; Margie McCalister; Martha Russell