



Northminster Church
NEWSLETTER
July 2023

NORTHMINSTER

Northminster's CONNECT DAY

Saturday, August 12
8:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Starting July 9 you can sign up to volunteer online or in the Commons. There are plenty of jobs for every age. See the article inside this issue with the jobs available and the worksites.

FINISH READING ON PG. 5



WELCOME

In July we will continue with our Sermon Series

"The Smashup"

On Sunday, July 30
we will start our
next Sermon Series

"The Offer"

FINISH READING ON PG. 3

Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 A.M.

Modern Worship in the Well

11:00 A.M.

Traditional Worship
in the Sanctuary



MOVIE ON THE LAWN

Friday, August 4

Movie will start at dusk.

Bring your own lawn chairs
or a blanket, and we will provide
the fun, movie and food.

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CONNECT DAY Sock & Underwear Collection for ReThreads

*ReThreads, one of the worksites for
CONNECT DAY, is in need of
newly purchased socks and underwear
for their clients.*

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THE SMASHUP

THE INTERSECTION OF FAITH & SCIENCE

INTERNAL NEWS & BUSINESS

July's Sermon Series

"THE SMASHUP"

The Wreck Waiting to Happen

Sunday, July 2

The Smashup: The Faithful Scientist
Genesis 1:26-27

Sunday, July 9

The Smashup: The Curious Believer
Luke 1:1-4

Sunday, July 16

The Smashup: Just Add Water
Genesis 1:9-10, John 4:7-10

Sunday, July 23

The Smashup - Grows Like a Weed
Genesis 1:11-13, John 1:4

New Sermon Series

THE OFFER

July 30 - September 3

Sunday, July 30

The Offer: Life: Against All Odds
Luke 1:34-38

Session Highlights

In June, the Session heard reports from Pastor Greg and Executive Director Mike Steel on increases in attendance in both worship services. We discussed the church's mission to be Christ centered, called into community and making ripples. We heard a report from Elder Sean McCabe about the recent Presbytery meeting. The scouting program (Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts) sponsored by Northminster is seeking a new Scout Master.

Committee Reports:

- **Finance:** Income remains above expenses. 25% of giving is unpledged, making budget planning more challenging. Discussed stewardship campaign for the fall.
- **Facilities:** Compton Road electronic sign being replaced. An additional defibrillator has been ordered; this will be stored in the usher's closet in the narthex. Monitors from Room 5 (now the nursery) have been moved to the Commons and Sanctuary hallway.
- **Worship:** Will resume passing a collection plate in Traditional Worship this fall.
- **Discipleship:** Numerous family activities planned for summer. Student Ministry and Young Adult small groups continuing through the summer. Embrace Grace birthing class attracted new attendees.
- **Staff Development:** Hired JT Harrison as Sunday Children's Ministry Assistant. Searching for a second vocalist for Modern Worship Band.
- **Vision:** Looking at small groups and emphasis on "Doing Life Together", welcoming new members to groups and building relationships. Also focusing on building a legacy of faith; faithful giving and sharing faith stories.

Through May	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	% Gain or (Loss)	Conclusions
Revenue	522,711	493,757	11.9%	Doing well!
Expenses	502,564	503,665	0.2%	On Budget
Surplus	50,147	-9,908		
2	Note: Excludes estate gifts of \$41,732			



Members of Northminster for 50+ Years

(as of December 2022)



50 Years

De Heggem
George McLain Jr
Mildred Stoffregen

53 Years

Mary Lou Bolton
Sadie Fulton
Sam Reynolds

59 Years

Dana Glasgo
Janice Rook
Toby Tolson, Jr.

51 Years

Marilyn Doerman
Mel Hensey IV
Howard Hughes
Janet Hughes
Kip Loucks
Maureen Loucks
Sarah Payler
Sally Stivender
Ervena Weingartner

54 Years

Sandra George
Jean Moser

60 Years

Barbara Ebrite
Cindy Tabar

55 Years

Melissa Abbott
Debbie Lambert
Glenn & Pat Varney

61 Years

Sandra Hill

52 Years

Diana Gase
Mark Heusinkveld
Ann Lawrence
Diane Milazzo
Clay Mizelle
Marilyn Nicholson
Nick Nicholson
Scott Steel
Lee Anne Volkman

56 Years

Sue Bean
Stuart Griffing
Robert & Jo Ritzi

62 Years

Jean Kratochvil
Marianne McLain
Lewe Mizelle
Pat Stanford

57 Years

Fran Wooledge

64 Years

Diane Shuler

58 Years

John Gibson
Hilda Hunter

65 Years

Nancy Brown
Jan Golan
Summers &
Jeannette Hagerman

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

TAX PREPARERS FOR VITA

Northminster Church is again planning to provide free income tax preparation every Wednesday from 11 A.M. to 4 P.M. (from late January until mid-April) for members of our community. It would be great to have additional tax preparers. If interested, please contact David Addison at addison.dg@outlook.com. or 513- 235-6589. Training will be provided.

ADDITIONAL SUNDAY MORNING USHERS NEEDED

Pass the plate offering collection will begin this September. Additional ushers will be needed. If interested, please contact David Addison at 513-235-6589 or addison.dg@outlook.com



CONNECT DAY

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12 from 8 A.M - 12:30 P.M.

SERVING WITH
**FINNEYTOWN,
WYOMING,
AND BEYOND**

We have work for all ages!

Cookie/muffin baking, painting, food preparation & clean-up,
outdoor yard work, inside cleaning, clerical work,
sorting clothes and focused prayer

We will be working at Finneytown Schools, Journey to Hope,
Powel Crosley YMCA, ReThreads, Springfield Township, Valley Interfaith.

To volunteer go to www.northminsterchurch.org/connect-day
or stop by the display in the Commons.



Children's Socks & Underwear Collection for ReThreads

We are collecting
newly purchased children's socks (S,M,& L)
and children's underwear (sizes 4-12)
for **ReThreads**
*(a FREE clothing outreach that is
one of the worksites for CONNECT DAY 2023)*

Drop off your purchased donations in the
cardboard bins in the Commons & The Well
and in the back of The Well through August 6.

MOVIE NIGHT

ON THE LAWN

**FRIDAY
AUGUST 4**
starting at Dusk

Join us on the front
lawn for the movie,
and free snow cones,
hot dogs and
popcorn

Bring a chair
or blanket and
a couple friends!



NORTHMINSTER'S PARTNERS



To find details about all the groups offered at JtH go to our website: www.jttoh.org or www.jttoh.eventbrite.com or call us at 513-931-5777

JULY GROUPS:

- **GIFTS OF IMPERFECTION - Thursday, July 6 from 7-9 P.M.** for 6 weeks. (in person only) Join us to learn how to let go and live into a wholehearted life! This will be an experiential, interactive group with a little "art" thrown in to create the perfect reminder for you of what living a wholehearted life looks like! Purchase your copy of the book here at <https://bit.ly.TOGOBook> (9.74 on Amazon) and read through page 42 for the first session.
- **CHRONICE PAIN SUPPORT GROUP - Monday, July 10** from 7:00-8:30 P.M. on Zoom Join us for support, shared strategies, resources, and companions to travel with you! (NOTE: This group regularly meets on the 1st Monday of the month. We've switched to the 2nd Monday for July to avoid the 4th of July holiday.)

SECOND MILE OFFERING

July's Second Mile Offering is for
Back to School bags and supplies
For children of Finneytown Schools and Valley Interfaith Clients

May's Second Mile Offering Update
The total in contributions collected for **Embrace Grace** was **\$600.**




**Northminster
Vacation Bible School 2023**

VBS 2023 was a GREAT SUCCESS!

There were **144 children** registered for Vacation Bible School this year.

An **ENORMOUS THANK YOU** to all the volunteers. It could not have happened without **YOU!**




**WEDNESDAYS
@ 10:00 A.M.
MAY 31 - AUGUST 2**

Come and Play!

Northminster's Summer Playdates at the Park are a time for our kids (and parents) to stay connected over the summer. We will pick a different park every Wednesday morning and meet up to play. It's that simple! Check out the schedule of parks on our website and feel free to bring some friends to join the fun.

SUMMERMUSIK

CINCINNATI CHAMBER ORCHESTRA at Northminster
Sunday, August 13 at 4:00 P.M.



Purchase your tickets at ccocincinnati.org or 513-723.1182 x2
(cost of the tickets: \$42.00)

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Family News

Birth

Silas James Vollman

born May 9, 2023

The parents are
John and Carly Vollman.
The great-grandma is
Jean Collord.

Baptism

Noah Oliver Weiser

*baptized in Modern Worship
on May 28, 2023*

He is the son of
Jason and Carissa Weiser.

WHIRLWIND TOUR OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

**Monday evenings from 7-8:30 PM
September 11 thru December 4.**

This class will include 7 maps you will mark (and keep)
to track the Israelites in their travels throughout
the Middle East and the Land of Israel.

The cost is \$30 per person or per couple if resources are shared.

Sign up online at northminsterchurch.org under events.
The deadline is September 5.

"The Whirlwind Tour Class is a unique way of studying the Old Testament and one that was incredibly meaningful to me. What made it so special was that it used a series of maps to track where many of the key events in the Bible occurred as well as migration of the people that were there. It also gave me a much better understanding of how the strength of the various empires grew and then contracted during the biblical times and how that impacted the stories and the people that we read about in the Bible. If you are interested in enhancing your understanding of the Old Testament in a very different and exciting way, this is a class you should definitely consider. I believe it to be one of the best Bible classes I have ever taken and I highly recommend it!" - David Addison

Deaths

Juanita Roberts

(sister of Hilda Hunter)
May 18 , 2023

Jennifer Habrych

(daughter-in-law of Lynda Caster)
May 26 , 2023

Frank Moore

(father of Sharon Furlong)
June 11, 2023