

Welcome to



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



10:30 a.m. Worship



Sunday Worship: 8:30a.m. Traditional, 9:30a.m. Education Hr, 10:30a.m. Blended Worship & Sunday School

TO OUR VISITORS: We pray the Spirit of Christ will touch your life as you worship with us. Please print your name and address in the black folder provided in the pew rack to register your attendance. To learn more about NPC, we invite you to take one of our newsletters which may be found at the welcome table.

Other materials describing current activities and events are also available.

CHILDREN are always welcome in worship. However, if you wish, the family room in the back of the sanctuary is also available for your convenience. Childcare for young children and infants is available in the Childcare Center.

WORSHIP BAGS for children are available in the narthex.

HEARING DEVICES are available in the narthex.

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February 5, 2012

10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

WELCOME TO THIS DAY OF WORSHIP. As we gather before our Lord today, we extend the warmest of welcomes to all present. May you find encouragement and spiritual refreshment. May you leave with your burdens lightened and your spirit lifted.

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

*The Son came out from the Father
to help us to come out from the world;
he descended to us to enable us to ascend to him.*
Anthony of Padua

ASSEMBLING IN GOD'S NAME

▲ *Please stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

"O Be Joyful in the Lord"

Chancel Choir
by Hal H. Hopson

▲ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Worship God, who is from everlasting to everlasting.

All: The God of creation does not faint or grow weary.

One: The whole universe is subject to God's power.

All: God rules all time and space, yet cares about us.

One: Sing to God with great thanksgiving.

**All: We lift up our eyes to see God's wonders;
We open our ears to receive God's message.**

▲ **HYMN OF ADORATION #43**

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

▲ **PRAYER FOR THE DAY**

SONG OF PRAISE

"Here I Am to Worship"

"How Great is Our God"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: God of life, do not darken your light to us.

Men: God of life, do not limit your joy in us.

Women: God of life, do not shut your door to us.

All: God of life, do not refuse us your mercy.

One: O God of life, eternity cannot hold you, nor can our little words

catch the magnificence of your kindness.

Yet in the space of our small hearts

and in silence

You can come close and repair us.

Silence

One: O God of life, grant us your forgiveness...

**All: For our careless thoughts,
for our thoughtless deeds,
for our empty speech
and for the words with which we wound.**

Silence

One: O God of life grant us your forgiveness...

**All: For our false desires,
For our hateful actions,
For our wastefulness
and for all we left untended.**

Silence

One: O loving Christ, hanged on a tree

yet risen in the morning,

scatter the sin from our souls

as the mist from the hills;

begin what we do,

inform what we say

redeem who we are.

**All: In you, O God, we place our hope;
our great hope, our living hope,
this day and evermore. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

▲ **RESPONSE SONG**

"Change My Heart, O God"

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 40:21-31

pg. 668 in your pew Bible

ANTHEM

"Sing to God with Joy"

Chancel Choir
by John Bell

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 1:29-39

pg 35 in your pew Bible

MESSAGE

Rev. Bob Stebe

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND LIVES TO GOD

OFFERTORY

▲ **RESPONSE #809**

"Doxology"

▲ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

COMMUNION SONG #768 (vs. 1,3,5)

"I Come With Joy"

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION AND 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

Sharing the Bread

As a sign of our unity in Christ, please hold the bread until all are served.

Sharing the Cup

As a sign of your personal faith in Christ, you may drink as you are ready.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

▲ HYMN OF DEDICATION #634

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Sing to God With Joy"

Chancel Choir
by John Bell

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

POSTLUDE

End of Worship...Beginning of Service

Participating in Worship

Rev. Bob Stebe, Pastor
Rev. Pat Williams, Worship Leader
Linda Nason, Music Director
Dorothea Okada, Organist
And YOU, the people of God

CHANCEL FLOWERS

are given today by
Roland Morris in celebration of
Gayle's and Meredith's birthdays.

Worship at NPC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elementary children will stay for the entire worship service this morning. Worship Bags and story books are available in the back of the sanctuary to be used as needed during the service. The childcare center is open for younger children during today's worship service.

OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY 2/6 Due to a planned power outage with Edison, our offices will be closed Monday, 2/6. Our phones will be down too, but you may reach Bob at 909-455-4519.

FOOD DRIVE IS TODAY! The 1st Sunday of every month is Communion Sunday and also the food drive. Please bring non-perishable food items to the deacons' table on the patio or you may drop them off in the office during the week.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING IS TODAY

The Souper Bowl of Caring is a national youth movement that feeds those who are hungry by taking a collection of food and money on Super Bowl Sunday, February 5th. All food and money collected are donated to local organizations who provide care for the hungry. Collections here at NPC will go to Inland Valley Hope Partners, a faith based nonprofit organization, who through their four food pantries, emergency housing shelter and supportive services, offer hope to people in crisis and empower them to break the cycles of poverty and despair.

A VALENTINE'S EVENING "Bella Notte di Amore e Cibo"

You are invited to a beautiful evening of delicious Italian food, wonderful fellowship and great fun.

Menu includes:

- apertivo and minestrone zuppa
- lasagna cena with antipasto
- dilizioso dolce

Dine while being serenaded by Tony Bennett, Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin. Play some fun games, including our infamous "Battle of the Sexes".

The dinner is on Saturday, February 11th at 5:30 p.m.

Cost is \$8:00 per person or \$15.00 per couple.

We will be taking sign-ups on the patio or e-mail Debbie at pldbckr@gmail.com. Come join the Fellowship Team for a night of delicious food and fun!

OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will take place on **Sunday, February 12** following second service. We will receive the Annual Report including the 2012 Budget, vote on Pastor Stebe's terms of call, and elect the 2012 Nominating Committee. The nominees are Virginia Lundstrom, Lady Spence, John White, and one slot to be filled. Other members are Paul Ecker, Moderator, and Ruth Bender from Session, and Kathy Farris from the Deacons. Copies of the 2012 Budget for your review are available today on the narthex table.

2011 GIVING STATEMENTS for NPC pledgers and regular contributors are available in the Narthex. To ensure the deductibility of your church contributions, please do not file your 2011 income tax returns until you have received your NPC giving statement. We give thanks for those who are able through God's grace to give so generously to the programs and mission here at NPC.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to the children and adults who disinfected the toys in the childcare center this morning during the education time. Your service is greatly appreciated to help maintain a clean and inviting space for the children who use our childcare center on Sundays and during the week.

KIDS' CLUB NEXT SUNDAY, Feb. 12 at 6p.m. All elementary children 2nd to 5th/6th grade are welcome. Come learn about St. Valentine and make valentines to share. Bring a friend!

E-WASTE RECYCLING AT NPC FEB. 11-12

Northminster will be sponsoring a community wide E-waste recycling event in the church parking lot on Saturday and Sunday, **Volunteers are still needed** to help with the event and you can sign up at the E-waste volunteer table today. It is a great way to welcome people to NPC. Flyers are available in the narthex for you to pass out to your neighbors or friends. If you have items you need picked up this week at your home or office contact Danna Larson at dannalarson@npcdb.com or call the church office at 909-861-4715. Last year we raised \$2,000 from this event to support the all church retreat and outreach events to the community. Let's see if we can bring enough e-waste from the community to raise \$3,000 this year.

DANNA LARSON BACK IN OFFICE ON MONDAY

Danna Larson is returning from her conference in Michigan today and will be in the office tomorrow and the rest of the week. Give her a call or e-mail her if you need assistance.

WOULD YOU OR YOUR COMPANY LIKE TO BE A SPONSOR?

We are putting together a telephone and address book that will be available to all church members and the neighboring homes and businesses. If you would like to advertise in the book, please contact the office at (909)861-4715.

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

YOUTH SUPER BOWL PARTY

The Youth Super Bowl Party will be hosted at NPC in the Music Room TODAY at 2:30pm (kickoff is around 3:30pm). If you haven't signed up to bring a food item, just bring something to share and it's not too late to invite a friend. We'll have the game projected (think super big-screen) and for those of you who don't like football, we'll also have a few games, including commercial bingo, so you can have fun too. Join us!

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

For Sunday School today, we explored service and specifically how the Souper Bowl of Caring helps those in need. Next Sunday, we'll continue our new and exciting video study exploring the question: Can I still be a Christian without going to Church? Join us for this informative study.

MARCH MADNESS WINTER CAMP - March 23-25

The Big Bear March Madness winter camp is coming in March 23-25 (Friday-Sunday). Plan on attending for a time of fun (possibly snow) in a camp setting. Cost is \$29 (with NPC Youth Committee subsidizing \$100 of the cost). Brochures with more information are available in the office; sign up by March 4th for the discounted/subsidized cost.

2012 YOUTH ACTIVITIES- MARK YOUR CALENDARS

More activities will be put on the calendar in the future. Here is what we have confirmed so far in addition to Sunday School and Youth Group meetings:

February 24-25 - 30 Hour Famine

March 11 - Youth Auction

March 23-25 - March Madness Winter Camp @ Big Bear

April 8 - Easter Breakfast

July 8-14 - LEAD Camp (Big Bear HS Camp; during week of Elementary Camp)

July 15-21 - Jr High Camp (Big Bear), LEAD Camp

July 22-28 - High School Camp, Calvin Crest