



Northminster Presbyterian Church

Seek Serve Embrace

Engaging with neighbors near and far in Christ's love

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 9, 2022 10:00 a.m.

**For those who are able, please stand.*

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

Brian Shivers

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
(from the *Schuebler Chorales*)

J.S. Bach
(1685 – 1750)
Ted Gibboney, Organ

INTROIT

Praise the Lord!

Traditional Cameroon
arr. Ralph Johnson
Chamber Ensemble

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jessie Gritton

Come and see what God has done.

God is awesome in God's deeds.

God turned the sea into dry land.

God's people passed through the river on foot.

Make a joyful noise to God all the earth.

Sing the glory of God's name.

*HYMN NO. 54

Make a Joyful Noise to God

DIX

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

John Wright

Forgiving God, once more we seek your pardon and protection.
We focus our attention on our own concerns and neglect the welfare
of our community.
We see our own hardships more readily than we feel the suffering
around us.
We forget the mercy we have received.
We are angry when we should be grateful.
Have mercy on us and restore us to covenant faithfulness.

SILENT CONFESSION

ANTHEM

Kyrie (from *Solemn Mass*)

Louis Vierne
(1870 – 1937)
Chancel Choir

Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy.*
Christe elison. *Christ, have mercy.*
Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy.*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Siblings in Christ, hear this good news - in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Let us make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

*GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME HYMN NO. 582

Paul Vasile

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all:
And also with you.

(Worshippers may greet one another with words of Christ's peace.)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

CHILDREN'S TIME

*(Offerings added to the Joyful Noise Pail are for mission partner, Heifer International.)
Children are released to Church School.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Send Out Your Light

Traditional Taize
Chancel Choir

Send out your light, Lord, send your truth to be my guide.
Then let them lead me to the place where you reside.

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 66:1-12
Kate Ronco



Praise the Lord! Lift ev - 'ry voice! Al - le - lu - ia, sing, re-joice!

SECOND LESSON

Jeremiah 29:1; 4-7

SERMON

Seeking Wholeness

Brian Shivers

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from the Iona Community

We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn;
in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands,
conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over barbed wire.
We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share our humanity.
We affirm a faith that takes us beyond the safe place: into action, into vulnerability
and into the streets.

We commit ourselves to work for change and put ourselves on the line; to bear
responsibility, take risks, live powerfully and face humiliation;
to stand with those on the edge; to choose life and be used by the
Spirit of God's new community of hope. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

OFFERING

(Please sign the pew pad and pass it to your neighbor.)

OFFERTORY

I Will Sing New Songs
(from *Biblical Songs*, Op. 99)

Antonin Dvořák
(1841- 1904)
Sam Spade, Baritone

I will sing new songs of gladness, I will sing Jehovah's praises
upon a ten-stringed psaltery.
Ev'ry day will I extol Thee and will bless Thy Holy Name,
I will bless Thy holy name.

Great is God and great His mercy, who shall tell of all His greatness?
Who shall His pow'r declare?

My song shall be of praise and honor and of Thy glorious acts.
Thy works are wonderful, past our knowing.
Yea, all shall tell of Thy great kindness and of Thy wondrous might,
and my voice shall proclaim aloud Thy glory.

***DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN NO. 351**

All Who Love and Serve Your City

CHARLESTOWN

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

Friends, go forth with thankful hearts for the power at work within you.
Let us endure hardship with patience and trust the mercy and grace of the Lord.
Live as true servants of Jesus Christ!
Alleluia! Amen.

POSTLUDE

March

William Mathias
(1934 – 1992)

Music in Worship

Today the Chancel Choir sings *Kyrie eleison* on behalf of the congregation as part of our Prayer of Confession. This ancient Greek liturgical text was retained by the Roman Catholic Church for more than a thousand years, even though the rest of their liturgy was in Latin. Singing this text in Greek helps honor the communion of saints – we worship not just here and now, but with the whole church throughout the world and throughout history. Today's Kyrie comes from French composer Louis Vierne's (1870 – 1937) *Solemn Mass*. Born with severe cataracts that rendered him blind, Vierne underwent a procedure at six years old that restored a bit of his sight. He studied theory, piano and violin at Paris's Institute for Blind Youth, where he met the composer and organist Cesar Franck, who encouraged him to study organ. He studied with Franck and Charles-Marie Widor and later became one of the most influential Paris organ teachers. His students included Nadia Boulanger, Marcel Dupré and Maurice Duruflé. In June 1937, Vierne was giving a recital on the Notre Dame organ when he suffered a fatal heart attack. As he collapsed, his foot struck the low E pedal, and the single tone echoed throughout the cathedral, a poetic ending for a person who devoted their life to art.

Announcements

Stewardship Symposium Classes: Today and Oct 23 at 9:30 am We will offer two Stewardship Symposium classes this month. *The Syllabus of Stewardship and Unlocking Your Potential* led by Roz Lancaster; and *Including Gifts in Your Estate* led by Dawn Dinwiddie. To register, access the link in your Monday or Friday church email, or contact Roz at 317-345-6515.

Northminster Community Yoga: Today, 5:30-6:30 pm, Calvin Hall Join Krista Wright for Northminster Community Yoga, select Sundays through December. \$10 adults, \$5 students. No experience needed; walk-ins welcome. For those new to yoga who may not have supplies, mats and blocks are available to borrow.

Northminster Presents: New Playground and West Side Development Our playground is not up to code and must be updated, and that's only part of the exciting plans in store for the west side of our church property. Come for a presentation on the project by Jerry Gray Wednesday, October 12 at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary. *Childcare will be available.*

Preschool Teacher Needed Northminster Community Preschool is looking for an assistant teacher for our 2/3's class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The position includes a two-week Christmas break and one-week Spring break, and school ends mid-May. If you enjoy reading books, making crafts, and changing the occasional diaper, this is for you! Please contact Shiloh O'Rourke for details at preschool@northminster-indy.org

Church School Sign Up We need your help in our Nursery, Preschool, and Children's Church Classes for October. Sign up on the website Event page or email Melissa Hopkins, Interim Director of Children's Ministry, at mhopkins@northminster-indy.org.

Family Promise October Food Delivery Sign Up Volunteers needed to prepare and deliver a meal to a family in the Family Promise Apartment Shelter Project, Thursdays in October. Go to the Events section of the church website for more information and to sign up.

Fall Work Days 9-12 pm Friday, Oct 28 and Sat, Oct 29 We need your help to give our building a little extra love! We'll power wash and reroof the preschool storage barn, remove items from preschool rooms to prep for painting, and clean the backs of the pews. Sign up online, in the Gathering Place, or just show up!

Trunk or Treat It's time to start planning for Trunk or Treat! The church will provide the treats, but we need friendly (or spooky!) folks to pass them out. This is a fun and easy way to reach out to our neighbors, so let's make it great! Please register online if you will pass out candy OR if you'll trick or treat with your little ones. **Please bring donated candy to the Gathering Place by Friday, October 28.**

Habitat for Humanity Faith Build, Wednesday, Nov 2, 8:30-2:30 pm. Northminster has the opportunity to participate in this exciting project of hope. Our team has four spots left for this project! Visit the Events page of the church website for more.

Middlers Revival Nov 5, 6-8:00 pm Join your church friends for a fun and casual dinner at the home of Liz and Steve Neterval. The Middlers have traditionally been for those in their 40s to 60s, but all are welcome! Please bring a side, dessert, or beverage to share. RSVP to eneterval@gmail.com or call the church office at 317-251-9489 by Wednesday, November 2.

Pokagon Registration Open Go to the Events section of the church website to register for this great weekend with your Northminster Family. We'll stay at the Potawatomi Inn January 20-22, 2023 for tobogganing and winter fun. Registration is due November 20.

Family Events: Save the Date! Mark your calendars for family fun at Indy Fuel Sunday, November 20, and Northminster Italian Night Saturday, February 25! More details to come.

Northminster Reads: Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You; Date Changed to Nov 20 Join us online for the discussion of this remix of the National Book Award-winning *Stamped from the Beginning* by Ibram X. Kendi. For more information on the authors, check out JasonWritesBooks.com and ibramXKendi.com. See the church [website](#) for the Zoom link and more info.

Additional information and details can be found on the church website.

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text the amount to (317) 316-3009.

Weekly Email Newsletters

Stay up to date with everything going on at Northminster. Sign up on the church website at
Menu/Resources/Publications.

Prayer List

The prayer list is now available 24/7 online! Go to the church website and access it under
Menu/Resources/Prayer.

Ministry

Brian Shivers
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