

Northminster Presbyterian Church

Seek Serve Embrace

Engaging with neighbors near and far in Christ's love

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 23, 2022 10:00 a.m.

*For those who are able, please stand.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME Brian Shivers

PRELUDE Sonata No.1 in D minor, Op. 42 Alexandre Guilmant *III. Final* (1837-1911)

INTROIT Glorify the Lord with Me Stephen Elkins
Peace Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP Lisa Longo

Look to the Lord, for God is faithful, giving us our food in due season. Call on the Lord, for God is near, ready to rescue us from danger. Let us worship the Triune God.

*HYMN NO. 618 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

DEO GRACIAS

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness.

*SILENT CONFESSION

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Dearly beloved, through the power of the Spirit that is at work within us God forgives our sins and strengthens our inner beings.

Let us live knowing the love of Christ, which surpasses all knowledge fills us with the fullness of God.

*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

Brian Shivers

(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 65 (p. 527-528) Loui Lord Nelson

PSALM 65

Hal Hopson Benjamin Plunkett, Cantor



SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 3: 14 - 21 (p. 193)

SERMON

More than Enough

Brian Shivers

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

Give almes of Thy goods

Christopher Tye (c. 1505 – 1572) Chancel Choir

Give almes of thy goods, and never turn thy face from any poor man, and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee.

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

How Can I Keep from Singing

Robert Lowry (1826 – 1899) arr. Alan Bullard (born 1947) Katie Ray, Soprano

My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation; I hear the clear though far-off hymn that hails a new creation. Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing; It finds an echo in my soul, how can I keep from singing?

What through the tempest loudly roars, I know my Savior liveth; Although the darkness binds me close, deep in the night sweet songs he giveth. His inner peace makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing; Since love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

*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. 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

May God continue to strengthen your inner being and carry you out into the splendor of God's kingdom.

Let us depart, rooted and grounded in love.

Let us make known to all people the mighty deeds and faithfulness of God.

CHORAL RESPONSE

Was mein Gott will, das g'scheh allzeit (from St. Matthew Passion)

J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750)

Was mein Gott will, das g'scheh allzeit, May what my God wills happens always Sein Will, der ist der beste, His will is what is best. Zu helfen den'n er ist bereit, For he is ready to help those Die an ihn gläuben feste. Who believe firmly in him. Er hilft aus Not, der fromme Gott, He helps them in their distress, the righteous God, Und züchtiget mit Maßen. And chastises in measure.

Wer Gott vertraut, fest auf ihn baut,

The person who trusts God, builds firmly on him

Den will er nicht verlassen.

He will not abandon.

Music in Worship

For today's Offertory, Soprano Katie Ray sings two verses of the hymn "How Can I Keep from Singing." The hymn was written in 1869 by the Baptist preacher and hymn writer Robert Lowry, who also composed the well-known hymn "Shall We Gather at the River." "How Can I Keep from Signing" was recorded by Pete Seeger in the 1960s during the folk revival. The hymn gained a new audience in the 1990s when Irish musician Enya released a recording of it on her album "Shepherd Moons." "How Can I Keep from Singing" reminds us that we are in God's hands. It does not ignore the fact that we still lament, we face tumult and strife. Yet in the midst of these challenges, the underpinning of our lives is a different tune – a peaceful, hope-filled song of faith.

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Announcements

Save the Date November 20th – 4:00 pm – Installation of Rev. Brian Shivers. More details to come.

Ring-a-ding-ding! In the next week or so, NPC members will receive an automated call with either Roslynn Lancaster's or Loui Lord Nelson's voice reminding you to bring your commitment "card" on Sunday, October 30th. The system ensures we get that reminder out to everyone. Thank you for trying out something new with us!

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

Pyoca Fall Youth Retreat, Nov 18-20 This is open to grades 7-12. See "Fall Youth Retreat" on pyoca.org, or contact Nancy Fortenberry for more information. Registration is due today, Oct 23!

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! Sign up online, in the Gathering Place, or just show up!

Trunk or Treat Sunday, 4-6 pm, Oct 30 We're in need of more trunks and candy distributors to make this a hit with our neighbors! The fun will include hotdogs, a s'more station and activities, so we could use your help that afternoon *and* in getting the word out to family and friends. Sign up online or contact Nancy Fortenberry, and remember to bring candy donations to the Gathering Place by Friday, October 28.

Thinking about becoming a member of Northminster? Tuesday, November 15 at 5:30 join Pastor Brian Shivers, Parish Associate Carol McDonald and several members of Session in Calvin Hall for dinner and conversation about becoming part of this vibrant community of faith. At 7 pm, if you choose, meet with the Session to be received into membership. Call the church office at 317-251-9489 or email office@northminster-indy.org by Friday, November 11. We hope to see YOU!

Angels with Cy; Wednesday Night Art Class, 6:00 pm Nov 2 Join Cy Donnelly to create a beautiful art piece to take with you. Register on the Event page online; \$3 fee required, space is limited.

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.

Family Promise Information Session, Sunday, Nov 6 at 11:00 am. In 1994 the Indianapolis chapter of Interfaith Hospitality Network was established and Northminster was a founding congregation. Until 2019 we hosted up to four families two to three times a year in our church building. When Covid hit, Family Promise, which included the Interfaith Hospitality Network, had to find a new way to serve homeless families. Come learn how you as an individual and we as a congregation can continue to serve needy families in Indianapolis, as "Every Child deserves a Home."

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.

Pokagon 2023 is sold out, but a few extra rooms have been added to our block. Please contact Nancy Fortenberry if you're interested!

Preschool Teacher Needed Northminster Community Preschool is looking for an assistant teacher for our 2/3's class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please contact Shiloh O'Rourke for details at preschool@northminster-indy.org.

Welcome Timothy Foster - Our new Director of Communications!

Timothy joins NPC most recently from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College where he graduated in 2019 with a degree in Theology and Professional Writing. He served as the communications liaison for the Athletics Department while running gameday operations for the past six years. He is finishing up his master's in Leadership Development and recently returned to his hometown of Indianapolis with his fiancée Olivia. He is ready to begin promoting the mission and values of the church during an exciting time of growth.

Northminster Presbyterian Church is a Matthew 25 congregation and a member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians.

To give by text message on a smartphone, 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 Pastor/Head of Staff	John Wright Director of Music Ministries	Lori Schlabach Financial Administrator
Carol McDonald Parish Associate	Marko Petričić Music Associate/Organist	Cheryl Plunkett Office Administrator
Nancy Fortenberry Director of Youth & Family Ministries	Denise Harrington Director of Senior Ministries	Morteza Semnani Director of Operations
Melissa Hopkins Interim Director of Children's Ministries	Timothy Foster Director of Communications	Tim McElroy Lead Custodian
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