



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Seek, Serve, Embrace | Engaging with neighbors near and far in Christ's love

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time | November 5, 2023, 10:00 am

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

Karen Herbst-Kim, Roslynn Lancaster, Loui Lord Nelson

PRELUDE

"Prelude in G Minor" | Johannes Brahms (1833-1897); Marko Petričić, Organ

*CALL TO WORSHIP

O give thanks to the Lord, who is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever!

Let us worship the One who was, who is, and who shall be!

*HYMN NO. 409

"God Is Here!" | ABBOT'S LEIGH

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Brian Shivers

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God,
only you are holy;
Yet we imagine that we are righteous,
excusing our own faults while pointing out those of others.
We are quick to lay burdens upon our neighbors
but slow to help them carry their own.
We take credit and give blame.
In spite of the grace you have shown to us,
we are slow to show mercy.

Forgive us, O God, and wash us clean,
that we may serve you with joy and thanksgiving.

*SILENT CONFESSION

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





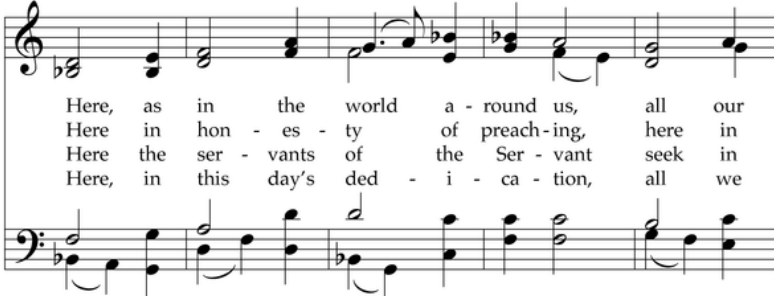
1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an



of - fer praise and prayer, may we find in
 life - long need of grace; here are ta - ble,
 Shep - herd's flock and fold; here as bread and
 age of change and doubt keep us faith - ful



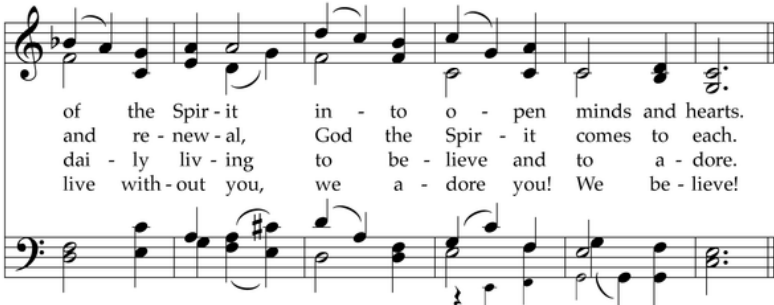
full - er mea - sure what it is in Christ we share.
 font, and pul - pit; here the cross has cen - tral place.
 wine are tak - en, Christ sus - tains us as of old.
 to the gos - pel; help us work your pur - pose out.



Here, as in the world a - round us, all our
 Here in hon - es - ty of preach - ing, here in
 Here the ser - vants of the Ser - vant seek in
 Here, in this day's ded - i - ca - tion, all we



var - ied skills and arts wait the com - ing
 si - lence, as in speech, here, in new - ness
 wor - ship to ex - plore what it means in
 have to give, re - ceive: we, who can - not



of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear these comforting words:
if we repent and believe in God's mercy,
our sins are forgiven.

Praise God!

**We can trust in God's promises and begin life anew
with God and all people!**

*GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

Paul Vasile

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

(Offerings added to the Joyful Noise Pail are for mission partner Heifer International)

Preschoolers are dismissed to Church School

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON | PSALMS

Psalm 107: 1-9 | *Hal Hopson; Katie Ray & Doug Johnson, Cantors*

The God of all cre - a - tion is God of peace and love.

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



SECOND LESSON | GOSPELS

Matthew 23: 1-12 (p.25)

SERMON

"Walking the Walk" | Karen Herbst-Kim

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN

"The Virtue of Humility" | *PUER NOBIS*

1. The vir - tue of hu - mil - i - ty Re - vokes the
2. On vir - tue's lad - der, Gos - pel friend, By climb - ing
3. How quick are we to cov - et fame And draw the
4. Ac - cept - ing our hu - man - i - ty, As - cend - ing

law of grav - i - ty, Makes low be high and
down - ward we as - cend; By count - ing all our
glo - ry to our name? But Je - sus gives the
by hu - mil - i - ty, From Je - sus let us

high be low, Turns up - side-down the world we know.
gain as loss, We come to glo - ry in the cross.
ac - id test: "The great a - mong you serve the rest."
learn the art Of serv - ing God with hum - ble heart.

OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

"The Water is Wide" | O WALY WALY, arr. Brant Adams; Lucas Shafer, Saxophone

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" | *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!

*For those who are able, please stand.



INVITATION TO THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

ANTHEM

"Come Before the Table" | *Karen Marrolli (b. 1985); Jon Crabiel, Percussion; Chancel Choir*

Come before the table, O come before the table.
O come, come with one spirit, come with one hope,
come with one song.
O come, come as you are, knowing we all belong.

Come and share the blessing, O come and share the promise,
O come and share the blessing, O come and share the love.
O come, come with one mission, come with one love,
come with one voice.
Come all, all near and far, let all the world rejoice!

Come before the table, O come before the table,
O come before the Lord!
O come before the table, O come and share the love.
Come and share the blessing, O come and share the promise,
O come and share the blessing, O come and share the love.
Come before the table, O come.

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.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY SANCTUS

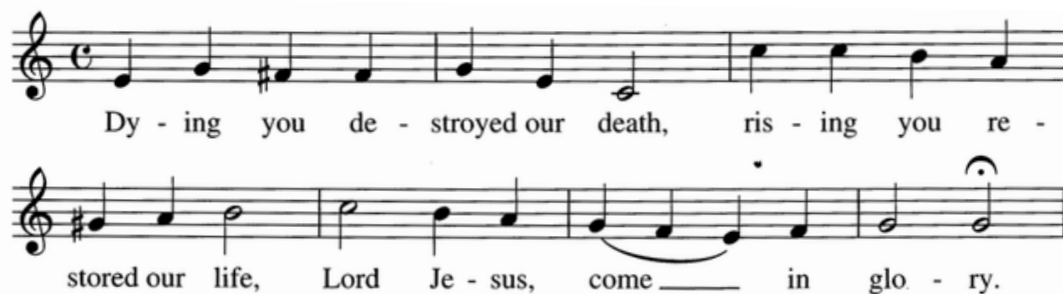
Intro *People*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

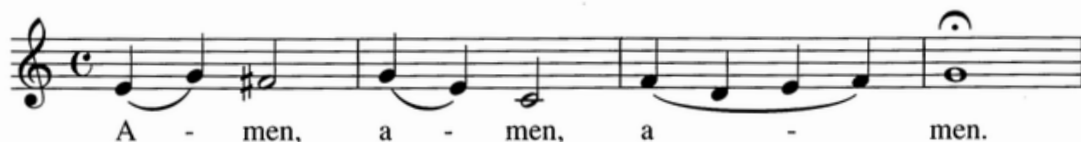
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CHRIST HAS DIED, CHRIST IS RISEN MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



AMEN
AMEN



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.

BREAKING THE BREAD AND POURING THE CUP

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

*At the direction of the hosts, you are invited to come forward by the center aisle. Take a piece of bread, dip it into the chalice, and receive communion by the ancient method of intinction.
All bread is gluten-free.*

*Please return to your seats using the side aisles.
If you are unable to come forward, you will be offered communion in your pew.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

"Bin ich gleich von dir gewichen" (from St. Matthew Passion) | J.S. Bach (1685-1750); Chancel Choir

Bin ich gleich von dir gewichen,
stell ich mich doch wieder ein;
Hat uns doch dein Sohn verglichen
durch sein' Angst und Todespein.
Ich verleugne nicht die Schuld;
aber deine Gnad und Huld
Ist viel grosser als die Sunde,
die ich stets in mir befinde.

Although I have strayed from thee
yet I have returned again;
For thy Son has reconciled us
through his agony and mortal pain.
I do not deny my guilt;
but thy grace and favor
is far greater than the sin
which I must confess.

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



"I Received the Living God" | David Cherwien (b. 1958); Krista Wright, Soloist



(please sing Refrain on cue from leader)

Jesus said: I am the bread, kneaded long to give you life;
you who will partake of me need not ever fear to die. **Refrain**

Jesus said: I am the way, and my Father longs for you;
so I come to bring you home to be one with us anew. **Refrain**

Jesus said: I am the truth: come and follow close to me.
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free. **Refrain**

Jesus said: I am the life, far from whom nothing can grow,
but receive this living bread, and my Spirit you shall know. **Refrain**

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

We thank you, God, for the gifts you have given us:
For the bread of our being loved, for the wine of our joy,
for the hope we find in our life together
as people ready to do your work of justice and peace.

We pray that, having been refreshed at this table,
we may be bread and wine for each other and for the world.
In Jesus name. Amen.

*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.)

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



WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN NO. 505

"The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing" | *THE FEAST IS READY*

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

May the blessing of God -
Father, Mother, Teacher, Friend -
go with you this day and every day
until we meet again.

Alleluia!

As we leave here and go into the world, let us
be open to new ideas and truths;
be ready to act humbly;
serve as faithful followers of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

POSTLUDE

"Sonata No. 3, Op. 65 in A Major (II. Andante tranquillo)" | *Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)*

MUSIC IN WORSHIP

The Anthem, "Come Before the Table," acts as a choral invitation to communion. Set for four voice a cappella choir and hand drum, the piece employs two sopranos singing above the choir's ostinato (repeated pattern). In the middle section, the two soloists sing the 16th-century chant *Adoro te devote*, translated to "I devoutly adore you". Our two soprano soloists are Morgan Bernat and Katie Ray and our percussionist is Jon Crabiel. Composer Karen Marrolli received a DMA degree in Choral Conducting from Louisiana State University, a Masters degree in Music in Choral Conducting and Sacred Music from Westminster Choir College, and a Bachelor's degree in Music Theory and Composition also from Westminster. She is currently the Director of Music Ministries at Central United Methodist Church in Albuquerque, New Mexico. In addition to being a classically trained composer and conductor, Ms. Marrolli is a prolific singer-songwriter, mostly in the Albuquerque area.

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The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing 505

The Feast Is Ready



1 The trum-pets sound; the an - gels sing; the feast is
 2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; O taste the
 3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heaven are o - pen wide,
 peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;
 poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heaven and earth ap-plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.
 he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.
 the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.

Refrain



Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.



Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.



Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.



The feast is read - y to be - gin;



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Events and Announcements

Spirit & Place: Byakula | Today | 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Don't forget to join us today to hear from the Lutumika family about their time in Congo and Burundi. Save the date for our very own Mary Beth Riner's "Quiet as a Gateway" event on November 11th from 3-5 pm at Indianapolis First Friends!

Youth Group | Tonight | 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Youth group tonight from 5:30pm - 7:30pm at the church. 6th - 12th graders welcome! We will have dinner, do a short lesson and discussion, and play some games! Please join our NPC Youth Group BAND for more up to date announcements!



Northminster Presents: Carol McDonald | Nov. 8 | 6:00 - 7:00 pm

As part of Northminster's "Fireside Chat" series with Northminster Presents, we welcome Rev. Carol McDonald to reflect and discuss her ministry with NPC. Facilitated by Jen Dzwonar, it promises to be a beautiful and enlightening evening.



Congregational Meeting | Nov. 12 | 11:15 am

Please plan to stay following worship for a congregational meeting to approve the slate of church officers (elders, deacons, and members of the foundation board) from the nominating committee.

Karen Herbst-Kim Installation Service | Nov. 12 | 4:00 pm

Save the date for Sunday, November 12th at 4:00 pm for the installation of Rev. Karen Herbst-Kim as associate pastor of Northminster Presbyterian Church! Food and drinks will follow the service in The Gathering Place.

Sound & Spirit: Palermo Presents | Nov. 19 | 4:00 pm

Join us for an evening of classical music with the trio of Philip Palermo (violin), Gary Stuck, (cello), and Matthew Hagle (piano). Selections include Schumann's *Piano Trio in G minor* and Beethoven's *Piano Trio in B flat major*. Admission is free!



New Member Class | Nov. 21

Northminster Session will host a new member class for those curious about church membership! If you'd like to join us for dinner and conversation, please let Rev. Brian Shivers or Rev. Karen Herbst-Kim know or contact the office Monday-Thursday.

Drumstick Dash Volunteers Needed | Nov. 23

Every year, Northminster is a warming station and rest stop for the Drumstick Dash on Thanksgiving morning. We need a host of volunteers to greet people, direct them to the bathrooms, and offer hot chocolate. Call the church office to volunteer!

Clothe-A-Child 2023 | Dec. 7 | 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Join us on December 7th in the Gathering Space for coffee and doughnuts before we carpool to the Glendale Target to shop for children in need. Each child is in need of a shopper and no experience is needed. Learn more and register using the QR code!





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Matthew 25

As a Matthew 25 congregation, we focus on building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism, and eradicating systemic poverty.

Covenant Network of Presbyterians

As a member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, we seek equity for LGBTQIA2S+ people in church and society. We welcome, honor, celebrate, and include all.

Weekly Email Newsletters

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