



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

All Saints Sunday | November 3, 2024, 10:00 am

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"II. Adagio (from *Toccata, Adagio and Fugue*)", BWV 564 | *J.S. Bach* (1685-1750)

*OPENING SENTENCES

Enter God's presence,
you who yearn for the day when death is no more.

From age to age, God is with us.

Enter God's presence,
you who are filled with hope
and you who find it hard to hope.

From age to age, God is with us.

Let us worship the Triune God.

*REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

*HYMN NO. 326

"For All the Saints" | *SINE NOMINE*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in Jesus Christ
you came from heaven to dwell among us,
calling us to be your faithful people.

Yet we remain shrouded in sin -
we hurt and disgrace ourselves;
we abuse and destroy one another;
we dishonor your holy name.

Forgive us; unbind us and let us go
so that we may stand among your saints,
rejoicing in your saving grace;
through Jesus Christ our redeemer.

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



For All the Saints



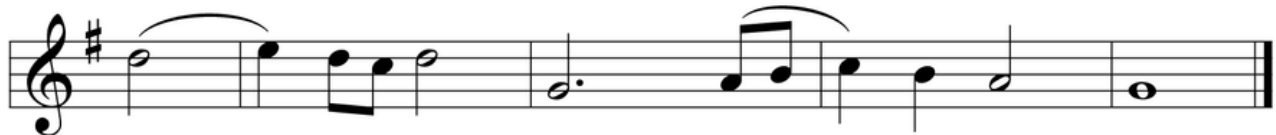
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
 3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low-ship di - vine!
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long,
 5 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well-fought fight;
 We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 all are one in thee, for all are thine.
 hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints' Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine" celebrated by this text.

*SILENT CONFESSION

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, listen!
The one who is seated on the throne says:
See, I am making all things new.
And now it is finished!
Hear the good news:
in Jesus Christ we are forgiven,
and freed to try again.

*RESPONSE

"Goodness Is Stronger than Evil" | *GOODNESS IS STRONGER*



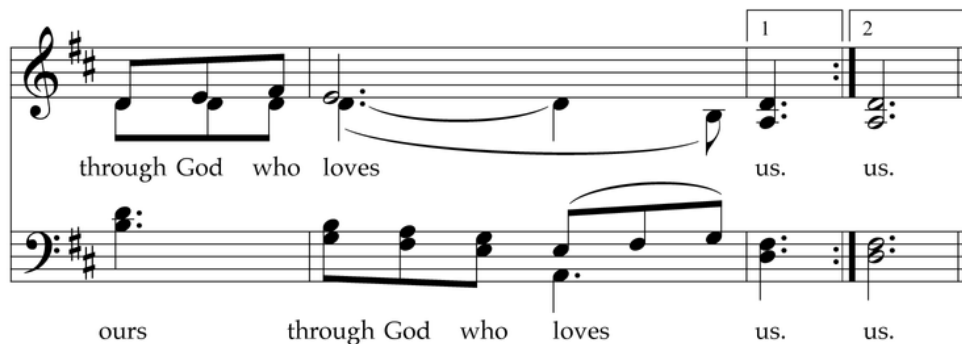
Good-ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron-ger than hate;



light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death.



Vic - tory is ours; vic - tory is ours
Oh, vic - tory is ours; vic - tory is



through God who loves us. us.
ours through God who loves us. us.

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WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

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

ANTHEM

"Fe y Esperanza" | arr. Anne K. Organ

Fe y esperanza, we live by faith and hope.
Fe y esperanza, we live by faith and hope.
We have faith in God who loves us and in Jesus, God's son.
And we hope that our world will someday live as one.

Fe y esperanza, we live by faith and hope.
Fe y esperanza, we live by faith and hope.
God has giv'n us many blessings and gifts to share
with our brothers and sisters in the world ev'rywhere.

Fe y esperanza, we live by faith and hope.
Fe y esperanza, we live by faith and hope.
We have faith in God who loves us and in Jesus, God's son.
And we hope that our world will someday live as one.

Preschoolers are dismissed to Church School

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON | PROPHETS

Isaiah 25: 6-9 (OT p. 652)

SECOND LESSON | EPISTLE

Revelation 21: 1-6 (NT p. 259)

SERMON

"Trustworthy and True" | Brian Shivers

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN NO. 731

"Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm" | REPTON

OFFERING

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

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



***OFFERTORY**

"At the River" (from *Old American Songs*) | Aaron Copland (1900-1990)

Shall we gather by the river, where bright angels feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God.
Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease,
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.
Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God.

***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!

INVITATION TO THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

ANTHEM

"O sacrum convivium" | James Biery (b. 1956)

O sacrum convivium!
in quo Christus sumitur:
recolitur memoria passionis ejus:
mens impletur gratia:
et futurase glorie nobis pignus datur,
Alleluia.

O sacred banquet!
in which Christ is received,
the memory of his Passion is renewed,
the mind is filled with grace,
and a pledge of future glory to us is given.
Alleluia.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

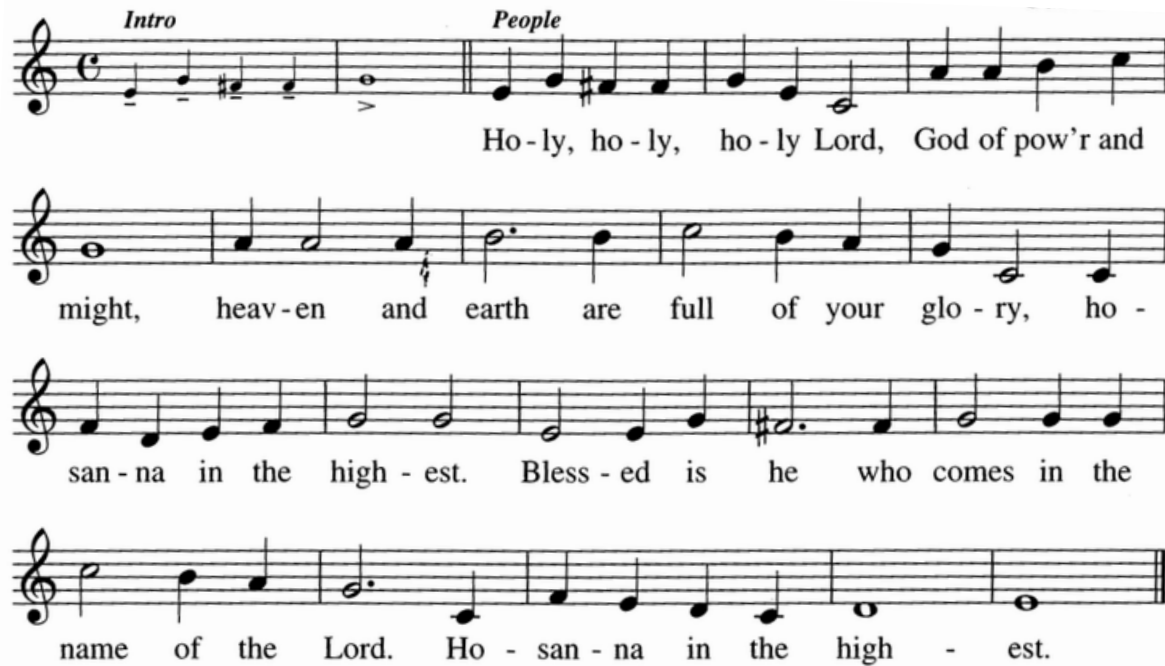
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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



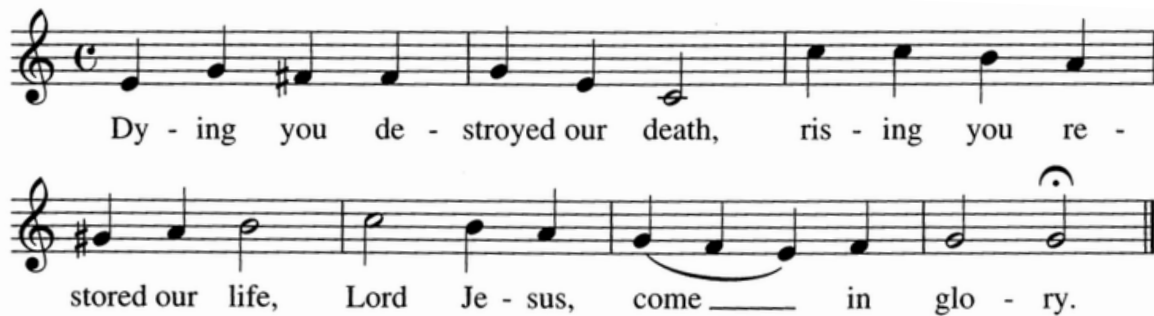
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY SANCTUS



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.

CHRIST HAS DIED; CHRIST IS RISEN MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



Dy - ing you de - stroyed our death, ris - ing you re -
stored our life, Lord Je - sus, come _____ in glo - ry.

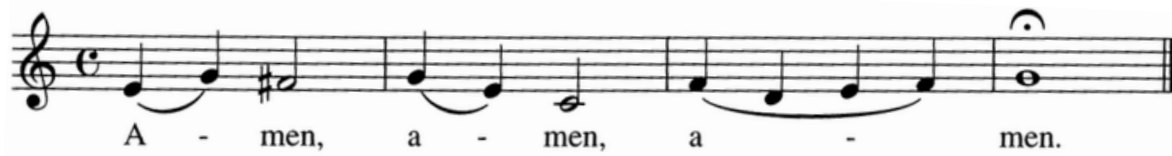
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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



AMEN



SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

All are welcome. All bread is gluten-free.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Hymn: "Come to the Table of Grace" | *TABLE OF GRACE*



- 2 Come to the table of love...
- 3 Come to the table of hope...
- 4 Come to the table of joy...

Hymn: "I Received the Living God" | *LIVING GOD*

(Worshippers are invited to sing refrain on cue from leader)



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



PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

God, the source of all holiness
and giver of all good things;
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth,
be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast
on the day of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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.)

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN NO. 511

"Come, Behold! The Feast of Heaven" | LLANFAIR

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

May the lord our God -
the Alpha and Omega,
the first and the last,
the beginning and the end -
be with you this day and forevermore.
Alleluia!

Let us go forth in faith and love,
living each day as a gift of God's grace,
and proclaiming the gospel in word and deed.
Amen.

POSTLUDE

"Improvisation on SINE NOMINE" | Marko Petričić

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



Come, Behold! the Feast of Heaven 511

1 Come, be - hold! the feast of heaven
2 All is read - y, come at - tend Al - le - lu - ia!
3 All who trust in God be - long
4 As the Lord our God has willed,

has to mor - tal flesh been given.
as the Lord's in - vit - ed friend; Al - le - lu - ia!
at this ban - quet with this throng.
here the hun - gry soul is filled;

Hear the Word of God de - clared:
come from north, west, south, and east; Al - le - lu - ia!
Share the mys - tic ho - ly food;
here the wea - ry are re - freshed.

"Come! the ban - quet is pre - pared."
cel - e - brate the joy - ful feast. Al - le - lu - ia!
taste and see: the Lord is good.
All who share God's feast are blessed.

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time and B-flat major. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and a more active treble line with chords and moving lines. The lyrics are: 1 Come, be - hold! the feast of heaven; 2 All is read - y, come at - tend; 3 All who trust in God be - long; 4 As the Lord our God has willed,; has to mor - tal flesh been given.; as the Lord's in - vit - ed friend; at this ban - quet with this throng.; here the hun - gry soul is filled;; Hear the Word of God de - clared:; come from north, west, south, and east;; Share the mys - tic ho - ly food;; here the wea - ry are re - freshed.; "Come! the ban - quet is pre - pared."; cel - e - brate the joy - ful feast.; taste and see: the Lord is good.; All who share God's feast are blessed.;

Though rightly viewed as a meal of remembrance, the Lord's Supper is also an occasion of anticipation. This text draws on abundant biblical imagery to evoke the fulfillment of Jesus' promise to share the feast anew "in the kingdom of God" (Matthew 26:29/Mark 14:25/Luke 22:16).

IN WORSHIP

This morning's Offertory, "At the River," sung by Baritone Sam Spade, was arranged by the American composer Aaron Copland. The English composer Benjamin Britten (1913 - 1976) asked Copland to arrange a set of American folk tunes for his Music and Art Festival in Aldeburgh, England in 1950. Copland wrote five songs for a baritone soloist and piano for the occasion. They were so well received that Copland wrote a second set two years later, which were equally well received. In 1957 Copland transcribed both sets for soloist and orchestra. "At the River" is a gentle and much-loved hymn dating from 1856 by Rev. Robert Lowry. Copland's setting begins with a simple accompaniment and gains in strength and intensity as the piece continues. This solo has been sung at memorial services for Aaron Copland, Leonard Bernstein, and Robert Shaw.

As part of the Invitation to Communion, the Chancel Choir sings the anthem "O sacrum convivium," evoking the mood of the sacred mystery of communion. The ancient text is attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas in 1264. It expresses the sacramental partaking of the body of Christ while being mindful of the promise of the future Messianic feast. American composer James Biery's (born 1956) setting begins with the basses singing a pedal-point figure (repetitive bass line) on the text "O sacrum convivium," while Tenors, Altos, and Sopranos layer the text above. The piece builds to a climatic "Alleluia," then fades away mysteriously. Organist and composer James Biery has served as Minister of Music at Grosse Pointe Memorial Presbyterian Church, Grosse Point Farms, Michigan since 2010.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Brian Shivers | *Pastor*
Marko Petričić | *Organ*
Luciana Higgins | *Liturgist*
Karen Herbst-Kim | *Pastor*
Peace Choir (Katie Ray, Director)
Sam Spade | *Baritone*
Krista Wright | *Piano*
Chancel Choir

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

Cleonice Barnes	Mary Dutro
Patricia Kilbury	Barb Walti
Grace W. Drennan	Betty McCoun
Thomas Loser	Mary Shebek
Josephine Wright	John Swisher
Wanda Y. Fortune	Daniel Ent
Jack Belschwender	

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Events and Announcements

Making Advent Stars | Today | 11:15 am

Join us in the Gathering Place today following worship and again on November 10th to make origami stars! We'll use these to fill the windows and hang throughout the church to celebrate the season.

Carol McDonald Book Discussion | Nov. 6th & 13th | 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Our own Rev. Carol McDonald will lead two discussions of the book: "Preparing for War: The Extremist History of White Christian Nationalism - and What Comes Next" by Bradley Onishi. Even if you don't read the book, feel free to join us!

An Invitation to Meet Some Neighbors | Nov. 14th | 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Join members of Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis in The Gathering Place to learn about Ascent121 and Unconditional, two not-for-profit organizations in our community who are changing and saving lives! There is no cost and refreshments will be available.

Sound & Spirit: John Doyle & Mick McAuley | Nov. 15th | 7:00 pm

Guitarist and singer-songwriter John Doyle is joined by Mick McAuley as they perform traditional Irish reels, jigs, and ballads. Former and current members of the super group Solas, they have collaborated with Liz Carroll, Tim O'Brien, Joan Baez, and others.



Umoja Interfaith Thanksgiving Dinner | Nov. 17th | 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Join the Umoja Partnership for the Interfaith Thanksgiving Dinner! Enjoy a memorable evening with food, friends, and an online auction featuring art, jewelry, travel packages, and more. Tickets are \$50 and available through the QR code or our website.



Congregational Meeting | Nov. 24th | 11:00 am

Save the date for a Congregational Meeting to elect our slate of officers for 2025. Members will meet in the sanctuary following worship for a brief introduction of candidates and a vote.

Pokagon 2025 | Jan. 24th - 26th

Registration is open for our annual Pokagon retreat! Reserve your room for a relaxing weekend of fun and fellowship. Various rooms and bed sizes are available so be sure to reserve yours today. Learn more by scanning the QR code or visiting our website.



Northminster Community Yoga Weekly Classes

Did you know Northminster hosts six yoga classes a week in our beautiful wellness space, room 210? Classes are available for all skills levels. Scan the QR on the right for more information and see Krista Wright for a free class card!



Westminster Neighborhood Collection - November

The Mission Team is collecting 350 bottles of shampoo (12.5 oz.) and 1,000 sticks of deodorant for the Westminster Neighborhood Services Christmas baskets. Your donation helps people feel better about themselves!

Additional events and information can be found on our website at northminster.church/events

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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.

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