



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Third Sunday After Pentecost | June 14, 2026 | 10:00 am

*(*For those who are able, please stand)*

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME AND MOMENT FOR GENEROSITY

Rob Rothrock, Generosity Team

PRELUDE

"I. Allegro" (from Sonata in F Major) | Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

As Abraham and Sarah welcomed divine visitors
with gracious hospitality and a rich feast,
**may we welcome God with open hearts,
ready to feast on God's word.**

Here, in this place, it is the Lord
who offers bread that satisfies
and waters that refresh.

We come with open hands, ready to receive God's grace.

* HYMN NO. 63

"The Lord Is God" | AZMON

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Triune God, Holy Three, Holy One,
we confess that we do not know how to look for you.
We do not sense your nearness,
and if there are angels among us, we are unaware.
We do not show the hospitality to strangers
that Sarah and Abraham showed to you.
We do not trust that our hardships can be transformed
by your Spirit.**

**Merciful God, forgive us.
Let us laugh with joy because your grace has made peace among us.
Send us out with this good news so that others
will also receive your blessing;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

* SILENT CONFESSION



The Lord Is God

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1 The Lord is God, the Lord a - lone! Give hon - or, thanks, and praise
2 With all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and might,
3 At night or day, at home, a - way, to - geth - er and a - part,
4 The Lord is God, the Lord a - lone! Give hon - or, thanks, and praise



to God, the mak - er of all things and giv - er of our days.
O peo - ple, love the Lord your God, the source of truth and light.
O chil - dren, take these ho - ly words and keep them in your heart.
to God, the mak - er of all things and giv - er of our days.



* **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Christ offered himself, in solidarity, to liberate us.
**Since we are justified by his faith, through grace,
we have peace with God.**

Trust the good news of the gospel:
in Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.
Praise God for new beginnings.

* **THE STEADFAST LOVE OF THE LORD**

The musical score is written on four staves in a treble clef with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The lyrics are: "The stead - fast love of the Lord nev - er ceas - es; God's mer - cies nev - er come to an end. They are new ev - ery morn - ing, new ev - ery morn - ing; great is your faith - ful - ness, O Lord, great is your faith - ful - ness." The melody is simple and melodic, with a final cadence on the last staff.

* **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 PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children are dismissed to Summer Playtime

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



FIRST LESSON | EPISTLE

Romans 5: 1-8 | NT p. 155

SECOND LESSON | PSALM

Psalm 116: 12-19 | Samuel Weber



I love the Lord, who heard my cry.

THIRD LESSON | TORAH

Genesis 18: 1-15 | OT p. 14, Spark Bible p. 34

SERMON

"May I Come In?" | Rev. Maureen Wilson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN

"Sarah Laughed" | BLYTHE



1. Sa - rah laughed, oh, Sa - rah laughed, old Sa - rah laughed with joy, when
2. Sa - rah laughed, oh, Sa - rah laughed, old Sa - rah laughed with glee, to
3. Sa - rah laughed, oh, Sa - rah laughed, old Sa - rah laughed out loud: to
4. Sa - rah laughed, oh, Sa - rah laughed, and so should you and I. When



vis - i - tors from God pro - claimed a new - born ba - by boy!
think a - bout a child at last up - on her fam - 'ly tree! So
bear an heir with A - bra - ham to make their na - tion proud!
God can give such won - drous gifts, our hope should nev - er die!



Ha ha ha! and Ho ho ho! and Hal - le - lu - jah, too! With



Sa - rah, laugh and clap your hands at all that God can do!



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

OFFERTORY

“Andante Grazioso” | *Gaston Dethier (1875-1958), arr. Charles Callahan*

* 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. 738

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” | *MARYTON*

* BLESSING AND CHARGE

May the love of God,
the grace of Christ,
and the Spirit's peace
be with you always.

May we grow in faith, hope, and love.
May we live with laughter and delight,
and may we give God thanks and praise.
Amen.

POSTLUDE

“Tis the Gift to Be Simple” | *SIMPLE GIFTS; arr. Robert Powell*



738 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move
 3 Teach me thy pa - tience, still with thee
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray

in low - ly paths of ser - vice free;
 by some clear, win - ning word of love;
 in clos - er, dear - er com - pa - ny,
 far down the fu - ture's broad - ening way;

tell me thy se - cret; help me bear the
 teach me the way - ward feet to stay, and
 in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in
 in peace that on - ly thou canst give, with

strain of toil, the fret of care.
 guide them in the home - ward way.
 trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.
 thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

IN WORSHIP

This morning, we welcome Tamara Thweatt, Principal Flute with the Carmel Symphony Orchestra and the Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra. Previously, she was Piccolo and 3rd Flute of the Los Angeles Philharmonic and has served as a guest musician in subscription concerts of the Chicago Symphony, National Symphony, Minnesota Orchestra, Detroit Symphony, and Indianapolis Symphony. As a soloist, she has appeared with the Bach Sinfonia of Washington D.C., the Pontiac Oakland Symphony in Michigan, the Charlotte Symphony, Michigan Chamber Players, Tippecanoe Chamber Music Society, and University Orchestras and Bands at both the University of Iowa and the University of Indianapolis. As a Fulbright Scholar to England, Thweatt spent a year of intensive study in the studio of Trevor Wye and performed in Fulbright-sponsored recitals in London and Berlin. She recently performed in Jelgava, Latvia, as a musical ambassador for the city of Carmel, IN. Tamara is active as both a contemporary music flutist and a Baroque flutist. She is also an avid Irish whistle player.

In each service for the Lord's Day, we collectively pray a "prayer of confession." This prayer allows us to respond to God's merciful goodness by confessing our sin together in true repentance. The early reformers abolished the required Sacrament of Penance, associated with the Catholic mass, but they preserved confession and forgiveness. By transferring the prayer of the priest to the whole congregation, the reformers made the statement that it was the congregation who celebrated the liturgy, and not the priest alone with the congregation as audience. In the Prayer of Confession, we lay before God not only those sins which may belong to us individually and personally, but also the sins and brokenness of the congregation, the church universal, and the world. We are confident that in our dying to sin and old, destructive ways, the God of grace raises us to new life.

WORSHIP ART

The Worship Art installation for the summer features a mandala created by Pastor Brian Shivers. The artist shares, "The mandala is based on a mosaic floor in a French cathedral. The flowers are lily of the valley. In art, lily of the valley is often used to represent the beauty and tenderness of Christ. This flower, that only blooms for a short time, showers its visual beauty and fragrance to all who pass." The worship art crew added a border to the mandala and placed it in a square frame so that it could be displayed as a papercut. Wanting to fill more space than one papercut would, seven identical papercuts backed with silk dyed in the seven colors of the rainbow were made. The rainbow holds two main meanings to the PCUSA: it represents the ancient biblical promise of God's faithfulness and covenant, and it serves as a modern symbol of radical inclusivity.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Maureen Wilson | *Chaplain*
Marko Petričić | *Organ*
Tamara Thweatt | *Flute*
Loui Lord Nelson | *Liturgist*
John Wright | *Cantor*

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Events and Announcements

Summer Fun: Do Justice | Wednesdays in June | 5:15 - 8:15 pm

Dig into the concept of Justice this summer with Summer Fun! This free program is open to children aged 3 through 5th grade, with childcare available for volunteers and families. Learn more and register today!



Grief Support Group | Mondays Through June 15 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm

This six-week group is free for adults who are grieving the death of a loved one. Providing a supportive, confidential, and compassionate environment, all are welcome to share as they feel comfortable. Learn more today.



Theology on Tap | June 25 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Pull up a chair, grab a beverage, and enjoy some conversation with pastors Karen and Brian on four Thursdays this summer! Please RSVP using the QR code so we have a general count, but feel free to join us even if you don't!



Youth Group Lake Day | June 29 | 8:00 am - 5:30 pm

Youth and their families are invited to join us for a day on the lake at The Roncos! This day is free, and lunch is provided. Learn more about what you need to bring and submit your RSVP today by scanning the QR code.



June Mission Team Collection: Pantry Items

For the month of June, the Mission Team is collecting bottles of water, boxes of Hamburger Helper, canned tuna, Ritz crackers, and GoGo pouches for our partner, IYG! Donations can be made to the brown bin in The Gathering Place.

Youth Group x Indiana Diaper Bank | July 20 | 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Northminster Youth Group is volunteering at the Indiana Diaper Bank! We'll start at the church, head to the Diaper Bank to volunteer, and then have lunch before coming back. All ages welcome! Use the QR code to register!



Northminster Labyrinth | Open Through Summer

The Northminster Labyrinth is open for the summer! Located in the Chapel, the Labyrinth will be open during regular building hours and by special arrangement. Please contact Krista Wright for more info.

The Ecumenical Yogi Blog and Podcast

A new episode is now available! Episode six, "Meet Your Fitness Professional with Susan Holewinski," can be found on our website or using the QR code. A new blog post, "Impermanence and Attachment," is also available.



More information on these events and others can be found on our website at northminster.church/events

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John Wright
Director of Music Ministries

Carol McDonald
Parish Associate

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Custodian

Rod Mail
Stephen Ministry Leader

Tony Dzwonar
Stephen Ministry Leader

Teri Thomas
Pastor Emerita

Donald R. Durrett
Associate Pastor Emeritus

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.

Parenting and Sensory Rooms

Behind the sanctuary in the Narthex are Parenting and Sensory Rooms.

The Parenting Room offers a private space for feeding, changing diapers, and calming children. Toys, games, and books are also available! The Sensory Room provides a quieter, darker space with tools for those with sensory needs. Both rooms have TVs for livestreaming the service via YouTube.

Fidgets and noise-dimming headphones are available outside the Sensory Room.

Children in Worship

We rejoice in all ages worshipping together! There are red worship bags available with activities as well as a quiet activity table and rocking chairs available on the east side of the sanctuary. We also have nursery care and church school happening simultaneously to worship if that is preferred.

Prayer Lists

The prayer list is available 24/7 online! Visit northminster.church/prayer

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