



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost | June 28, 2026 | 10:00 am

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

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"I. Adagio" (from Viola da Gamba Sonata, BWV 1027) | J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

* OPENING SENTENCES

God has welcomed us without reservation,
so let us welcome all in God's name!
Peace be with you.

**God's peace be among us,
around us,
and within us.
Let us worship God.**

* HYMN NO. 404

"What Is This Place" | KOMT NU MET ZANG

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God who provides our every need,
you give us countless gifts.
You welcome us for all of who we are.
You shower us with steadfast love.
You give us eternal life in Christ Jesus.
Yet we take these gifts and squander them.
We continue to trust ourselves more than we trust you.
We fail to embrace others as you have embraced us.**

**Forgive us, merciful God.
be our glory and our strength
for the days to come,
our strength, shield, and deliverer.**

* SILENT CONFESSION



What Is This Place

1 What is this place, where we are meet-ing? On - ly a house, the
 2 Words from a - far, stars that are fall - ing. Sparks that are sown in
 3 And we ac - cept bread at his ta - ble, bro - ken and shared, a

earth its floor. Walls and a roof, shel - ter - ing peo - ple, win - dows for
 us like seed: names for our God, dreams, signs, and won - ders sent from the
 liv - ing sign. Here in this world, dy - ing and liv - ing, we are each

light, an o - pen door. Yet it be - comes a bod - y that
 past are what we need. We in this place re - mem - ber and
 oth - er's bread and wine. This is the place where we can re -

lives when we are gath - ered here, and know our God is near.
 speak a - gain what we have heard: God's free re - deem - ing word.
 ceive what we need to in - crease: God's jus - tice and God's peace.

* **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

God's provision includes
a well of forgiveness that never runs dry.
Know that we are forgiven
and freed to try again.

* **THE STEADFAST LOVE OF THE LORD**

The musical score is written on four staves in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-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 repetitive, with a consistent rhythm of quarter and eighth notes.

* **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 | PSALM

Psalm 13

How long, O Lord?
Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?
**How long must I bear pain in my soul
and have sorrow in my heart all day long?**
How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

Consider and answer me, O Lord my God!
**Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death,
and my enemy will say, "I have prevailed";
my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.**

But I trusted in your steadfast love;
my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.
**I will sing to the Lord
because God has dealt bountifully with me.**

SECOND LESSON | GOSPEL

Matthew 10: 40-42 | *NT p. 11*

SERMON

"Cup of Cold Water" | *Brian Shivers*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN NO. 316

"Where Charity and Love Prevail" | *TWENTY-FOURTH*

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

"Mistério" (from *16 Waltzes for Solo Bassoon*) | *Francisco Mignone (1897-1986)*



Where Charity and Love Prevail 316



1 Where char-i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son.
3 Let strife a - mong us be un-known; let all con - ten-tions cease.
4 Let us for-give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,
5 Love can ex-clude no race or creed if hon - ored be God's name;



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
As mem-bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris-tian gen - tle - ness.
our com - mon life em - brac - es all whose Mak - er is the same.



* **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. 343** (*Stanzas 1-4*)

“Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life” | *GERMANY*

* **BLESSING AND CHARGE**

Friends,
may the One who creates and sustains us,
from everlasting to everlasting,
grant us the grace of peace, holiness, and eternal life.

Now scatter into the world,
extending Christ’s welcome to our friends,
and dare to share that welcome with strangers.

May we honor all people as God’s own.
May we reach out to bless all God’s children.
God’s grace be with us wherever we go.
Amen.

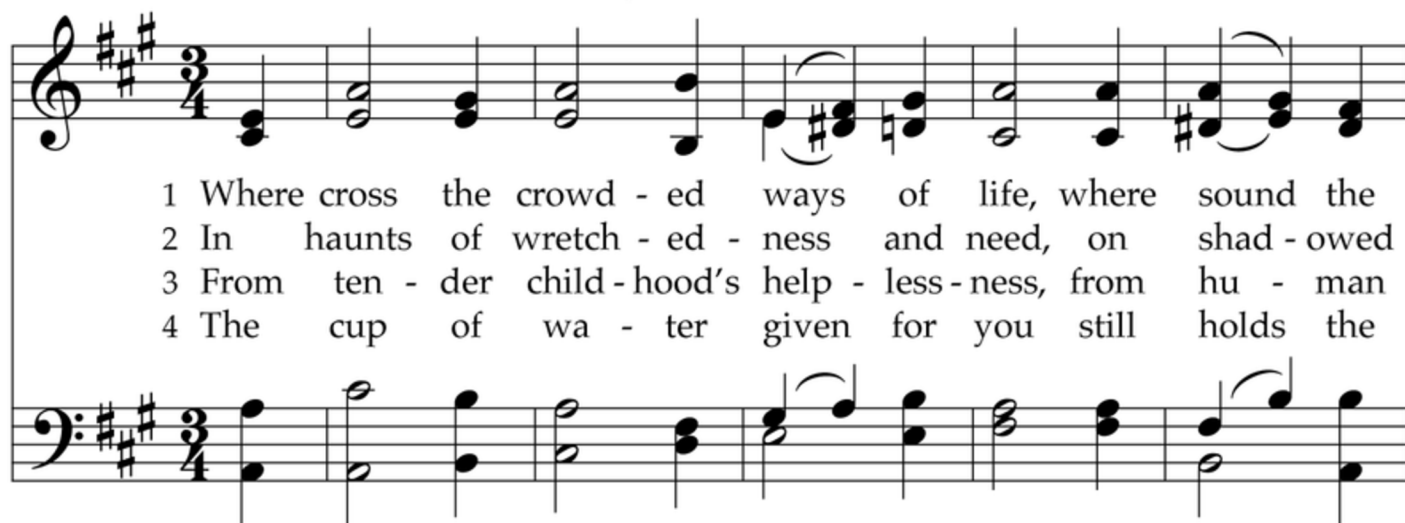
POSTLUDE

“I. Andante” (from *Viola da Gamba Sonata in C Major, Wq 136*) | *C. P. E. Bach (1714-1788)*



Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

343



1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the
2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on shad - owed
3 From ten - der child - hood's help - less - ness, from hu - man
4 The cup of wa - ter given for you still holds the



cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of
thresh - olds fraught with fears, from paths where hide the
grief and bur - dened toil, from fam - ished souls, from
fresh - ness of your grace; yet long these mul - ti -



self - ish strife, we hear your voice, O Son of Man.
lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of your tears.
sor - row's stress, your heart has nev - er known re - coil.
tudes to view the sweet com - pas - sion of your face.

IN WORSHIP

This morning's opening hymn, No. 404 "What Is This Place," was written by Dutch-born Huub Oosterhuis (1933 – 2023) in the late 60s and translated by David Smith in 1970. The first stanza establishes the distinction between the church as the people and the meetinghouse as the building where they gather. Stanzas 2 and 3 celebrate respectively the gifts of Word and Table. Stanza 3 also points to the dimensions of justice and peace that emerge from the encounter with God's revealed purpose and spiritual provision. The hymn's melody is a 17th-century Dutch tune, driven by the pattern of quarter note and two eighths in 8 of its 14 measures.

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. Brian Shivers | *Pastor*

Rev. Karen Herbst-Kim | *Pastor*

Marko Petričić | *Organ*

Ivy Ringle | *Bassoon*

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Events and Announcements

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 Ronco's! 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.

Kids' Night In | July 17 | 6:00 - 8:15 pm

Join us for a fun Friday night break for both parents and kids! \$10 per child (max \$40) for food, games, activities, and dancing. Learn more and register by July 14 by scanning the QR code.



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!



Back to School Supply Sorting | July 21 | 10:00 am - 5:30 pm

Join us as we prepare supplies and backpacks for Washington Township students returning next school year! Volunteers are needed to sort, organize, and pack supplies. Sign up through the QR code.



Theology on Tap | July 23 | 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 by Monday, July 20.



July Mission Team Collection: School Supplies

The Mission Team is collecting school supplies (specifically index cards, spiral notebooks, and poster paper) for our partners Broad Ripple Middle School and School 55! Items can be donated to the brown bins in The Gathering Place.

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.



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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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