



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost | July 20, 2025, 10:00 am

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

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Toccata in F Major" | Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of the unimaginable,
you come to us as the hungry visitor
in need of shelter
and the woman sitting at your feet,
craving to learn more.

**You make yourself home among us,
learning our names and our stories,
dwelling with us wherever we lay our head,
and making miracles out of the mundane
and saints out of the ordinary.
Thank you for showing up
in the holy spaces and the unexpected places.
May we show up in this world like you. Amen.**

* HYMN NO. 309

"Come, Great God of All the Ages" | ABBOT'S LEIGH



309 Come, Great God of All the Ages

1 Come, great God of all the a - ges; make your earth - ly
 2 Come, Christ Je - sus, flesh and spir-it, sure foun - da - tion,
 3 Come, great Spir - it, in and with us, tune our ears to
 4 Come, O come, in cel - e - bra-tion, house - hold of the

mis - sion known; speak through ev - ery deed and per - son;
 cor - ner - stone; help us form the church e - ter - nal;
 hear your call; through the mov - ing of your pres - ence,
 one true God; in com - mit - ment and re - joic - ing

let your way and will be shown. Guide the church to true com -
 may your vi - sion be our own. Send a mes - sage to each
 let re - deem - ing love re - call min - is - try in ded - i -
 let us go where Christ has trod; as we act in faith and

mit - ment; give di - rec - tion now, we ask; fit us for the
 fol - lower; lead all peo - ple to your way; urge us to strong
 ca - tion, love em - bod - ied in our deeds; chal - lenge us to
 rev - erence, let us, Lord, the fu - ture see; place us in the

This text was written in 1987 for the capital cornerstone campaign of the National Presbyterian Church in Washington, DC. It is set here to a mid-20th-century tune created in wartime England to replace a Haydn tune tainted by Nazi associations.

* CALL TO CONFESSION

Sometimes, O God, we behave like Martha.
We get distracted in our routines,
so busy with our daily chores
that we forget to take the time to stop and breathe,
to look up and to notice the creation you have given
and the way it speaks about your love and passion
for your people.

We do not take time to listen for your words,
while reading the Bible,
while listening to music,
while talking to friends,
and we become worried and upset about many things.

Sometimes, O God, we behave like Mary.
We devote our time to looking up,
thinking that everything we are commanded to do
is to love God, and we forget to serve our neighbor,
and to commit our time to
the concrete work of the church,
forgetting to get our hands dirty.

Let us confess together.

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of balance, help us;
forgive us when we do not know
when to be workers
and when to be hearers.
In your mercy, heal our worries
and our judgments,
so that we can, indeed,
keep the best part.

* SILENT CONFESSION

* DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Beloved, hear the good news!
Hope does not disappoint us,
**for God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit given to us in baptism.**
Believe this good news and give thanks:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven
and freed to try again.

* RESPONSE

"We Are Forgiven" | Hal Hopson

We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to
God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en. We are for -
giv - en. Thanks be to God. — Thanks be to God.

* 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

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

Children are dismissed to Summer Playtime

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON | TORAH

Genesis 18: 1-10a | OT p. 14, Spark Bible p. 34

SECOND LESSON | PSALMS

Psalm 15

I'm gon-na live so God can use me an - y - where, Lord,
live so

an - y - time! *an - y - time!* I'm gon-na live so God can
live so

use me an - y - where, Lord, an - y - time!
my Lord, an - y - time!

THIRD LESSON | GOSPEL

Luke 10: 38-42 | NT p. 72, Spark Bible p. 366

SERMON

"Siblings" | Brian Shivers

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN

"Lord, Grant us Grace to Know the Time" | ST. ANNE

1. Lord, grant us grace to know the time Of
2. We seek your Word, as Mar - y sought; We
3. Your Word a - lone gives need - ed pow'r To
4. But you have taught that love is feigned That
5. We thank you, Lord, for qui - et time To

ac - tion or of prayer, Which hour to crowd with
wait in qui - et - ness, And yet we ask for
strength - en wea - ry hands And helps us see in
fails a neigh - bor's need, That faith we claim is
cast our care on you And for your Word that

wait - ing work And which with you to share.
strength to serve With Mar - tha's faith - ful - ness.
each new day The way of your com - mands.
false un - til Your Word be - comes our deed.
fol - lows us When work be - comes our prayer.

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

"Be Thou My Vision" | *Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)*

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art.
Be thou my best thought by day and by night;
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou and thou only the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art;
Great heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

* 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. 546

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" | *SICILIAN MARINERS*

* BLESSING AND CHARGE

May God keep you safe,
May your bellies be full,
May your thirst be quenched,
May your hearts be blessed
with knowing you are loved.
And may you share that love
with all who come your way.

Alleluia.

Friends, now go out with rejoicing, safe in the arms of Jesus Christ.

**May the love of God accompany us,
and may the Spirit empower us to live and serve another day.
Amen.**

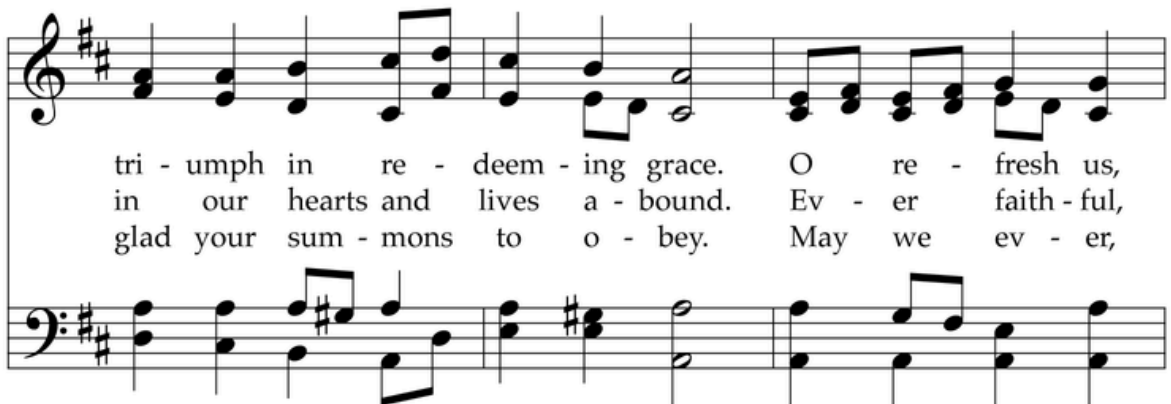
546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing; fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us, from our strug - gling



joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,



tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,
in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

This hymn of corporate benediction is one of several using the same first line. It was written by a Baptist pastor who dedicated his entire ministry to a small church in rural Yorkshire. The tune used here was first transcribed from Sicilian sailors in the late 18th century.

POSTLUDE

"Grand Jeu" | *Pierre Dumage (1674-1751)*

IN WORSHIP

In this morning's Psalm 15 we seem to ask *How do I get into this place?* "Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?" (verse 1) The one asking the question is a believer who has come to worship the Lord in the temple. The priest gives a brief answer – "Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart."

The remainder of the psalm describes the lifestyle of the believer outside the temple. Such people will act in ways that are right. They will not do evil to others, nor will they oppress the poor. Their lives will not easily be shaken. The concluding statement declares that those living in this way "shall never be overthrown."

Today's Offertory, "Be Thou My Vision," is a solo setting of an 8th century Irish poem by the English composer and conductor Bob Chilcott (born 1955). As a student, and later young man, he sang in the choir of King's College, Cambridge and in the vocal group The King's Singers. He is currently the Principal Guest Conductor of the BBC Singers and conductor of the Birmingham University Singers. As a composer, he has a large catalog of music published by Oxford University Press. His works are widely recorded by many respected choirs including The Sixteen, The King's Singers, The Choir of King's College, Cambridge, Westminster Abbey Choir, and the Houston Chamber Choir. "Be Thou My Vision" is a prayer for the vision of God throughout life. God is acknowledged to be "my light, my treasure, ruler of all."

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Brian Shivers | *Pastor*

Marko Petričić | *Organ*

Karen Herbst-Kim | *Pastor*

Jonathan Shinn | *Soloist*

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Events and Announcements

Dudes Mind-Body-Spirit Series | July 31st | 7:00 pm

Join us on Ralston Commons for a series aimed at those identifying as male! Topics include the redefinition of masculinity, toxic masculinity, and the commodification of mental, spiritual, and physical health.



Kenya Trip Informational Meeting | August 3rd | 11:15 am - 12:15 am

NPC will travel to Kenya in June 2026 to visit and learn from our friends at The Umoja Partnership! Learn more by scanning the QR code and please plan to attend the informational meeting on August 3rd!



Beatles Yoga Block Party | August 9th | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join us on Ralston Commons for where you can enjoy some music by Fab Too, free coffee, and, if you're so inclined, get your yoga fix! Olga Keegan will lead an all-levels yoga flow No registration is required!

Theology on Tap | August 10th | 7:00 pm

Join Pastors Brian and Karen at Binkley's, to hang out, grab a cold beverage (of any type), and engage with deeper theological topics. Fill out the optional (but helpful!) registration by scanning the QR code.



Peace/Power/Privilege Concert | August 16th | 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Join the Circle City Chamber Choir for their free summer feature concert! Peace, Power, and Privilege themes will be explored through choral works by Saunder Choi, Kim André Arnesen, Rosephanye Powell, and others.



Outdoor Worship and Picnic | August 17th | 10:00 am

Outdoor worship is back on Sunday, August 17th, and includes a picnic lunch! Register today using the QR code to the right or by visiting our events page. There is no fee for lunch, but a free-will offering is encouraged!



Exodus Refugee: Celebrate the Life Ahead Gala | August 21st | 5:30 - 9:00 pm

Join us at the Crane Bay Event Center as Northminster continues its support of refugees new to our community. Tickets will be purchased individually, but we will sit together! Use the QR code to learn more!



Northminster Community Yoga

Classes are available throughout the week! Visit our Yoga page to register and learn more. There is something for everyone! Free babysitting is available for the Tuesday morning yoga class by signing up at registration.



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



This summer, Northminster is joining faith communities across Central Indiana in a powerful effort to end chronic homelessness through the **STREETS TO HOME Initiative.**

This bold partnership—between the City of Indianapolis, The Indianapolis Foundation, CHIP (the Coalition for Homelessness Intervention and Prevention), and faith, corporate, and philanthropic partners—**will provide permanent housing and support services for 350 of our most vulnerable neighbors by June 2026.**

The public and private sectors have stepped up, and the faith community has pledged to raise \$270,000 to help make this vision real, and Northminster is committed to doing our part!

HERE'S HOW NORTHMINSTER WILL JOIN THE EFFORT:

- ▶ **Northminster will make a donation as a congregation, you will be invited to participate in the coming weeks.** The weekend of August 15th – 17th, Northminster will join faith communities across Central Indiana as part of a region-wide moment of hope and action. Donations from dozens of local congregations will be made toward the Streets to Home Indy initiative. More information will be available soon!
- ▶ **Join us for a free kickoff screening** of *Beyond the Bridge: A Solution to Homelessness* at St. Luke's UMC on Thursday, August 14th at 6:00 pm.



**STREETS
TO HOME
INDY**

*Faith Community
Initiative*

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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.

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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