



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost | August 16, 2026 | 10:00 am

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

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" | *arr. Dallas Blair*

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

Let us give thanks to God's holy name.

Let us sing praises to almighty and loving God.

* HYMN (*Next Page*)

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God" | *ELLACOMBE*

* CALL TO CONFESSION

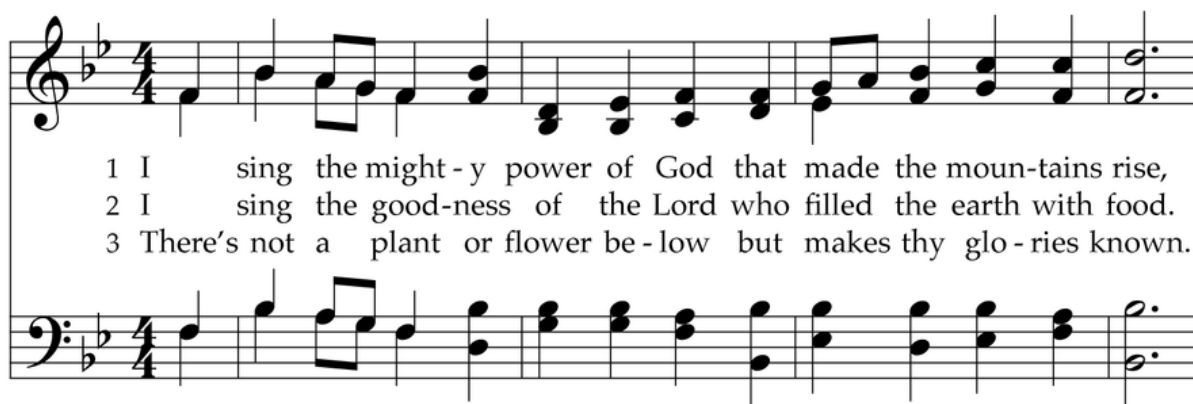
* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
in your gracious presence
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.
Although Christ is among us as our peace,
we are a people divided against ourselves
as we cling to the values of a broken world.
The profit and pleasures we pursue
lay waste the land and pollute the seas.
The fears and jealousies that we harbor
set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.
We abuse your good gifts
of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason,
and have turned them into bonds of oppression.
Lord, have mercy upon us;
heal and forgive us.
Set us free to serve you in the world
as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

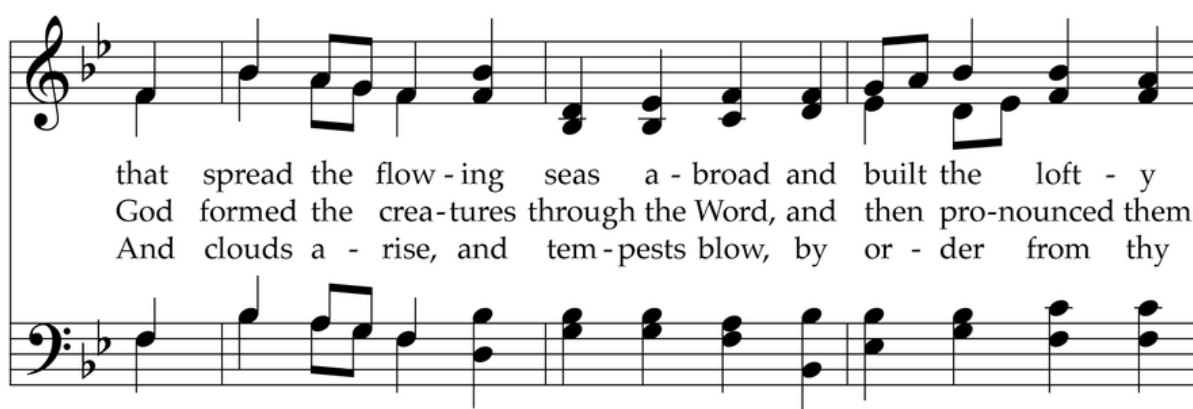
* SILENT CONFESSION



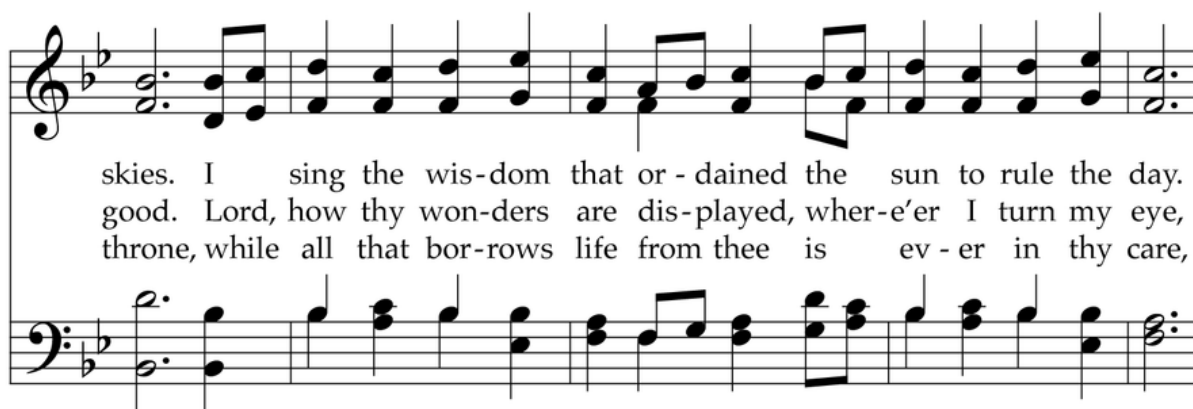
I Sing the Mighty Power of God



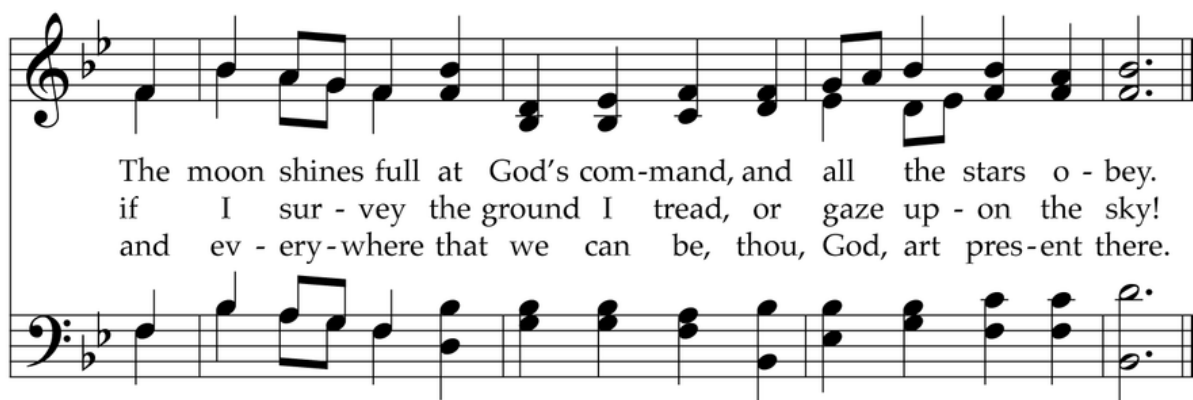
1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,
2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y
God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them
And clouds a - rise, and tem - pests blow, by or - der from thy



skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.
good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,
throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

* WORD OF GRACE

Beloved, because of God's great love and rich mercy for all,
we are fully forgiven.

**Let us live as those who are loved and forgiven
through the gift of God's grace.**

Friends, we receive God's peace afresh today.

Now teach us to walk in rhythms of grace.

* GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

Caribbean Conference of Churches

♩ = 132

Glo - ry to God in the high -

est and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

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Em E7 Em
Repeats *Last time*

peo - ple on earth earth.

The musical score is for the hymn 'Glory to God in the Highest' in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. It features a tempo marking of 132 beats per minute. The lyrics are: 'Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.' The score includes a 'Repeats' section with an E7 chord and a 'Last time' section with an Em chord.

* 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

1 Corinthians 12:4-11 | NT p. 174

SECOND LESSON | TORAH

Exodus 35:1, 10-19, 30-35 | OT p. 81-82

SERMON

"Creativity" | *Brian Shivers*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN

"Come, Open Your Eyes" | *TEICH*

(Soloist sings stanza 1, All sing stanzas 2-4)



1. Come, o - pen your eyes to the beau - ty of ho - li - ness.
2. Come, dance with de - light at the beau - ty of ho - li - ness.
3. Come, sing a new song in the beau - ty of ho - li - ness.
4. Come, wor - ship and watch for the beau - ty of ho - li - ness.



God is the glo - ry that lights up the skies. While clouds may as -
Move to the mu - sic a - live in this place. When fee - ble or
Mar - vel as mean - ing e - merg - es from strife. Though death comes to
Rel - ish the rich - ness of gifts we em - ploy to hone our per -



sail us or mys - ter - ies veil us, God's fire blaz - es up with a
fum - bling, re - luc - tant or stum - bling, our steps in the Spir - it trans -
haunt us and trou - bles to daunt us, in Christ we will rise in - to
ceiv - ing and help our be - liev - ing till washed in God's won - der, we



flash of sur - prise.
form in - to grace.
un - dy - ing life.
wak - en to

joy!

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

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

OFFERTORY

"Now Thank We All Our God/Let All Things Now Living" | *arr. Brant Adams*

* DOXOLOGY

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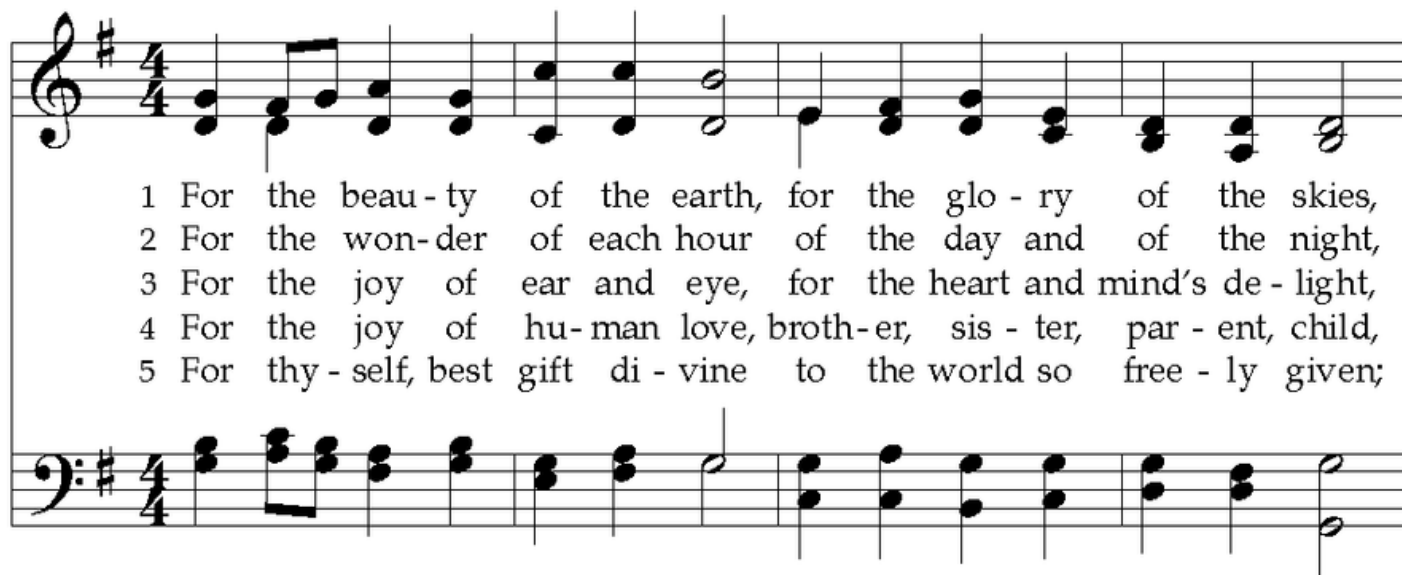
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

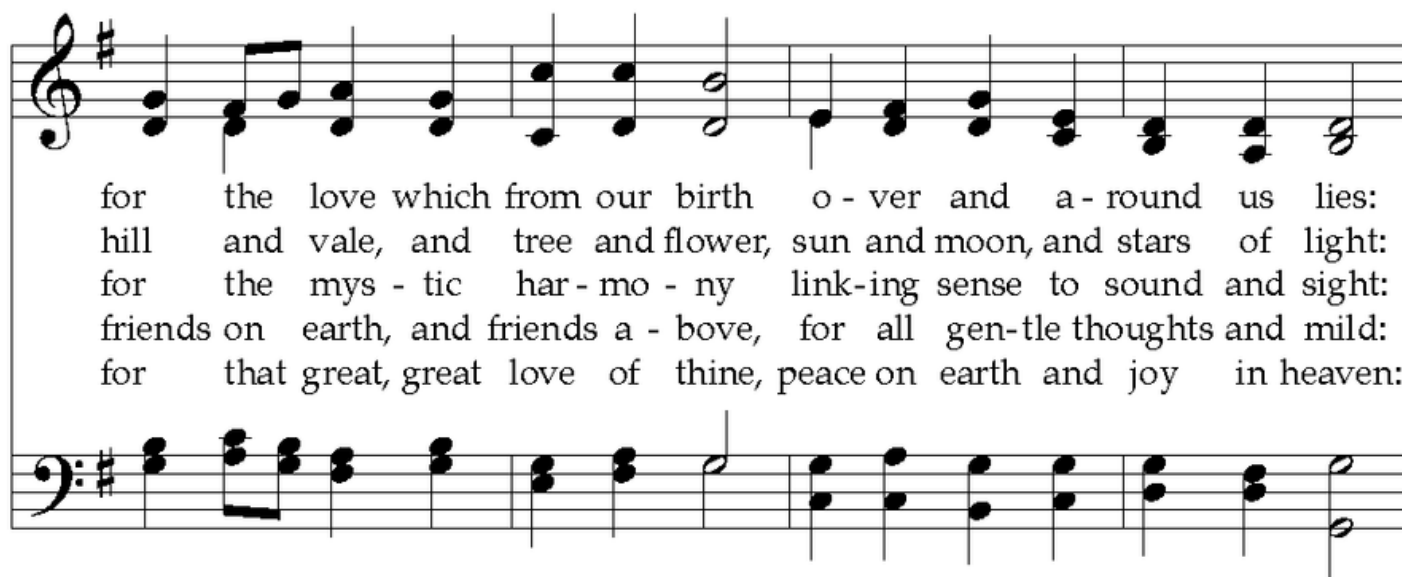


* HYMN NO. 14

"For the Beauty of the Earth" | Dix



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

* BLESSING AND CHARGE

May the God of creation, liberation, and illumination
bless you this day and always.

With a song of praise on our lips,

we go forth with God.

With the love of God in our hearts,

we go forth with God.

With all that we are and all we can be,

we go forth with God.

POSTLUDE

“Air for Trumpet” | *Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1767)*

IN WORSHIP

We welcome Allen Miller, Trumpet, and appreciate his musical additions to our service. A native of Indiana, Allen is the former assistant principal of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. He has played with various orchestras and brass ensembles, and for numerous Broadway musicals, operas, ballets, and festival orchestras. On the jazz scene, Allen has performed with many big bands including the Buselli/Wallarab Jazz Orchestra, Steve Allee, Jim Edison, and Al Cobine. He has performed with hundreds of commercial artists such as Dennis DeYoung, Barry Manilow, The Four Tops, The Temptations, Frankie Valli, Liza Minnelli, Johnny Mathis, and Aretha Franklin.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Karen Herbst-Kim | *Pastor*

Brian Shivers | *Pastor*

Marko Petričić | *Keyboard*

Allen Miller | *Trumpet*

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Events and Announcements

Wednesday Nights at Northminster | Returns Aug. 19 | 5:30 pm

Join us each Wednesday for a meal, fellowship with others, and discussions on how to learn and grow in your faith. Childcare is available from 6:00 - 9:00 pm. If you're joining us for dinner, please RSVP by noon on Mondays!



Pastors' Talk-Back Time | August 19 | 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Join us in the Board Room for a time of free-flowing conversation on topics the pastors have heard are of interest, plus some related Bible study. No prep, no homework, just great discussion!

Sing with Peace & Chancel Choirs | Rehearsals Begin August 19 | 6:00/6:59 pm

The Peace (grades 3-6) and Chancel (adult) Choirs are looking for singers to join us for the 2026-2027 season! Contact Chancel and Peace Choir directors John Wright & Katie Ray, respectively, to learn more!

C4: "Hear Me, And Be Well" Concert | August 30 | 4:00 pm

The Indianapolis-based choir C4 will present "Hear Me, And Be Well" at Northminster on August 30th! This free program will explore resilience, healing, and connection. (A suggested \$10 donation is appreciated.)

August Mission Team Collection: Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter, and Soap

The Mission Team is collecting canned fruit, peanut butter, and bars or bottles of hand soap for our partner Westminster Neighborhood Services! Items can be donated to the brown bins in The Gathering Place.

"What Me, Stressed?" Adult Education | September 2 | 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Elisabeth Kleinsmith will discuss identifying stress, anxiety, and depression as well as coping skills in our everyday lives. All are welcome to join us for a time to de-stress and to be reminded of ways we can help ourselves and others.

"Blessed Hope" Book Signing | September 9 | 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Join authors Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund & Rev. Dr. Chad Abbott for the launch of their new book, "Blessed Hope: 90 Daily Devotions for Mental Health and Faith." A limited number of copies will be available for sale and signing!

Now Hiring Preschool 3/4s Lead Teacher

Northminster Community Preschool is hiring a lead teacher for the 3/4s classroom! Learn more by scanning the QR code, and send resumes to Sarah Froehlke, Director of Preschool, at preschool@northminster-indy.org.



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Karen Herbst-Kim
Associate Pastor

John Wright
Director of Music Ministries

Carol McDonald
Parish Associate

Marko Petričić
Music Associate/Organist

Cheryl Plunkett
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Melissa Hopkins
Director of Children's Ministry

Timothy Foster
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Denise Harrington
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Krista Wright
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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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