

“i thank You God for most this amazing”
e.e. cummings

i thank You God for most this amazing
day: for the leaping greenly spirits of trees
and a blue true dream of sky; and for everything
which is natural which is infinite which is yes

(i who have died am alive again today,
and this is the sun's birthday; this is the birth
day of life and love and wings: and of the gay
great happening illimitably earth)

how should tasting touching hearing seeing
breathing any-lifted from the no
of all nothing-human merely being
doubt unimaginable You?

(now the ears of my ears awake and
now the eyes of my eyes are opened)

For All the Saints

Author William Walsham How, 1823-1897, was born in England, studied at Oxford University, and was ordained in the Church of England in 1847. He wrote treatises reconciling biblical creation and the theory of evolution.

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Composer John Henry Hopkins, 1861-1945, was born in and died in Vermont. He was ordained as a priest in the Episcopal Church in 1891. Hopkins wrote this hymn in 1945 and named the tune GRAND ISLE, after the island in Vermont where he retired and where David and Marcia visited the original manuscript, with lyrics written by Lesbia Lesley Locket Scott.

The two hymns in this service thank God today for the life of David Cook Young, a Presbyterian saint. The first represents theology well developed for edifying adult congregants; the second speaks to the generations of children whom he nurtured in faith.



Rev. David Cook Young

February 16, 1936 - July 17, 2025



A Service of Witness to the Resurrection

In Celebration of the Life of

David Cook Young

Northminster Presbyterian Church

Friday, August 15, 2025 | 12:00 p.m.

Prelude

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” by *J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

Welcome

Karen Herbst-Kim

Call to Worship

Voice of David Young

“And finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order. Encourage one another. Agree with one another. Live in peace. And the God of peace and love will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit will be with all of you.”

-2 Corinthians 13:11-14

Prayer

First Readings

Psalm 103 | *Jacob Dzwonar*

“i thank You God for most this amazing” by *e.e. cummings* | *David Dzwonar*

Hymn No. 326

“For All the Saints” | *SINE NOMINE*

Second Readings

Hebrews 11: 1-2; 12: 1-2 | *Elsbeth Young Brust*

2 Timothy 4: 1-8 | *Adelaide Young Brust*

Homily

Brian Shivers

Solo

“Give Me Jesus” by *H.T. Burleigh (1866-1949)*

Remembrances of Life

Philip Young, Jennifer Young Dzwonar and Jessica Young Brust

Hymn No. 730

“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God” | *GRAND ISLE*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

by The Rev. Carol McDonald

The Lord’s Prayer

Commendation

Blessing

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You” by *John Rutter (b. 1945)*

Benediction

Postlude

“Toccata” (from *Symphony for Organ No. 5*) by *Charles-Marie Widor*

(Please remain seated while the family exits the Sanctuary)

Participants:

The Rev. Karen Herbst-Kim

Pastor, Northminster Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Brian Shivers

Pastor, Northminster Presbyterian Church

Jacob Dzwonar & David Dzwonar

Grandsons of David Young

Elsbeth Young Brust & Adelaide Young Brust

Granddaughters of David Young

Philip Young

Brother of David Young

Jennifer Young Dzwonar & The Rev. Jessica Young Brust

Daughters of David Young

Krista Wright

Soprano, Northminster Presbyterian Church

Brad Hughley

Organist, St. Paul’s Episcopal Church

