



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost | August 2, 2026 | 10:00 am

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

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Prelude in A Minor" | J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

Blessed are you, Lord God,
Your glory is beyond our comprehension.
Your mercy is greater than our sin.
Your love is more than we can measure.
Your wisdom is more than we can fathom.
To you, Creator, Christ, Spirit,
be all glory, honor, and praise
now and forevermore. Amen.

* HYMN NO. 37

"Let All Things Now Living" | ASH GROVE

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.



Let All Things Now Living



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks-giv - ing
2 By law God en - forc - es, the stars in their cours - es,



to God our Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise;
the sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash-ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
the hills and the moun-tains, the riv - ers and foun-tains,



by guid - ing us on to the end of our days.
the depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

Harmony



God's ban-ners are o'er us; pure light goes be - fore us,
We too should be voic - ing our love and re - joic - ing;



a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night:
with glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise,



till shad-ows have van - ished, all fear - ful - ness ban-ished,
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing:



as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!

* **SILENT CONFESSION**

* **WORD OF GRACE**

Siblings in Christ,
the One who was and is and is to come
knows you through and through.

Know that our sins are forgiven by the mercy of Christ.

Having been freed from sin, we can be at peace.

Glory and praise to Jesus Christ our Lord.

* **GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST**

Caribbean Conference of Churches

$\text{♩} = 132$

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 3/4 time. It begins with a tempo marking of quarter note = 132. The melody consists of several measures of chords and single notes. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The score includes a repeat sign and a 'Last time' section. Chord symbols Em and E7 are written above the staff in the final section.

Glo - ry to God in the high -

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

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to God's

Em E7 Em
Repeats *Last time*
peo - ple on earth. earth.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

Preschoolers are dismissed to Summer Playtime

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



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

"Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet" | *Amy Grant (b. 1960)*

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way,
still you're there right beside me.
Nothing will I fear as long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.

FIRST LESSON | PSALM

Psalm 119: 97-105 | OT p. 568-569

SECOND LESSON | EPISTLE

2 Timothy 3: 14-17 | NT p. 213

SERMON

"The Word of God for the People of God" | *Brian Shivers*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, HYMN NO. 481

"I Believe in God the Father" | *GENEVAN 42*

OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" | *African-American spiritual, arr. Moses Hogan*

* 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!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
SANCTUS (Pavlechko)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on five staves in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line.

CHRIST HAS DIED; CHRIST IS RISEN
SANCTUS (Pavlechko)

Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.

The musical score is written on one staff in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The staff ends with a double bar line.

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

SANCTUS (Pavlechko)



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

All are welcome and all bread is gluten-free

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

"In the Singing" | *BREAD OF PEACE*



1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pec - tant,
2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac -



o - pen, in the bless - ing, in the break - ing,
cep - tance, in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing,



in the Pres - ence at this ta - ble
in the cir - cle of your peo - ple

Refrain

All



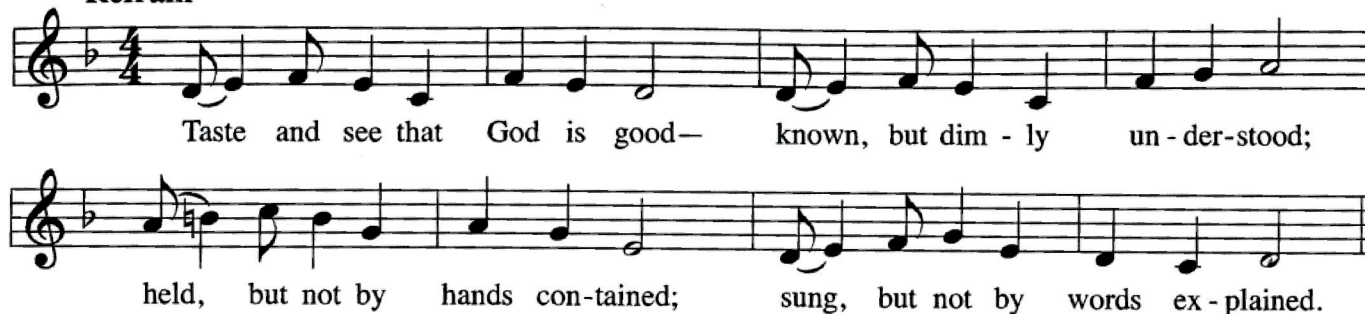
Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace:



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

"Taste and See That God is Good" | MYSTERIOUS TASTE

Refrain



Seek the bush, alive with flame -
ask, and learn God's holy name
Stand in awe on hallowed ground;
hear the words "I AM" resound. **(Refrain)**

Touch the wounds, the hands and side -
trust, as doubt and sense collide;
find the truth that seemed a fraud;
cry in faith, "My Lord, my God!" **(Refrain)**

Feel the gift God's breath imparts:
hope for troubled human hearts,
love for foes as well as friends,
peace on earth that never ends. **(Refrain)**

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life.
Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love.
God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace.
Now send us out into your beloved world
to share our life, your love, your grace with all.
Amen.

* 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 ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

* **HYMN NO. 459**

"O Word of God Incarnate" | *MUNICH*

* **BLESSING AND CHARGE**

May the presence of God,
the grace of Christ,
and the power of the Holy Spirit
sustain us in faith and service,
now and forever.

God's steadfast covenant writes it:

The law of love in our hearts.

Christ's concern for the least demands it:

The cry of justice on our lips.

The Spirit's encouragement breathes it:

The living word within us.

POSTLUDE

"Andantino" | *Louis Vierne (1870-1937)*

IN WORSHIP

The hymn in response to the sermon, No. 481 "I Believe in God the Father," is a paraphrase of the Apostle's Creed by David Gambrell. The singing of this creed has deep roots in Reformed practice. When John Calvin returned to Geneva after several years in Strasbourg, he published a liturgy book in 1542 that included a hymn version of the Apostle's Creed to be sung after the sermon and before Communion. What is old is new again! David Grambell serves as Associate for Worship in the PCUSA Office of Theology, Louisville, Kentucky.

During communion, we sing "Taste and See That God is Good," by Goshen, Indiana hymn writer Adam Tice (born 1979). Written in 2013, the hymn explores the mystery of the transcendent God through human senses of taste, sight, touch, and feel. Verse one reflects upon the encounter with Moses and the burning bush; verse two includes Thomas and Jesus after the resurrection; and verse three examines the gift of the Holy Spirit.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Karen Herbst-Kim | *Pastor*

Brian Shivers | *Pastor*

Marko Petričić | *Organ*

Katie Ray | *Mezzo-Soprano*

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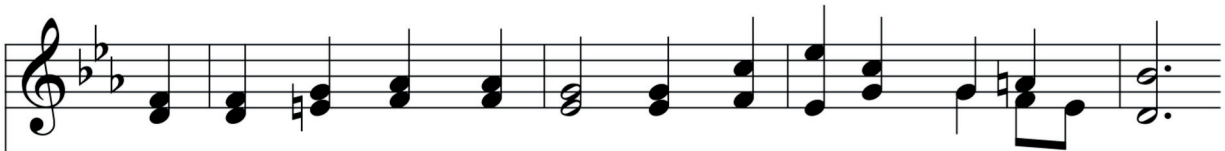
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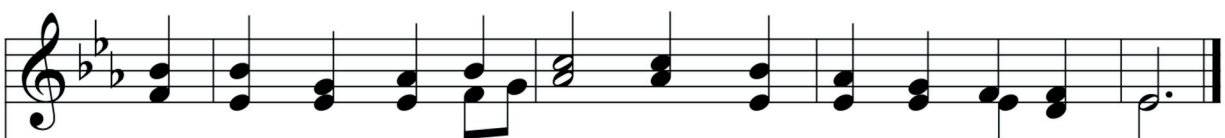
1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
 2 The church from you, dear Sav - ior, re - ceived this gift di - vine;
 3 O make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold



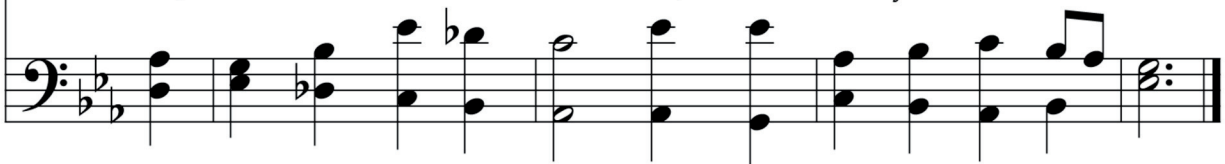
O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
 and still that light is lift - ed on all the earth to shine.
 to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
 It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,
 O teach your wan - dering pil - grims by this our path to trace,



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
 a - mid the rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.
 till, clouds and storms thus end - ed, we see you face to face.



Events and Announcements

NPC Knits | August 3 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm

If you're interested in knitting or crocheting, with a dash of social justice, please join us! Bring your needles, yarn, and friends. All people and skill levels welcome! New dates added through December on our website.



Theology on Tap | August 13 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Pull up a chair, grab a beverage, and enjoy deep/lively/fun/light/meaningful conversation with Pastor Brian and Pastor Karen! Scan the QR code or visit our website to RSVP.



Yoga Workshops | August 14 | 12:15 - 2:15 pm

Yoga workshops are back! These two-hour intensives focus on a different subject matter each month, and for August we'll focus on core strength/pelvic floor. Learn more and register using the QR code!



Outdoor Worship & Picnic | August 16 | 10:00 am

Join us for outdoor worship on Ralston Commons! Following worship, we'll offer a picnic (boxed) lunch for both adults and children. Volunteers are also needed to assist with setup and cleanup! Scan the QR code to learn more.



Sing with Chancel Choir | Rehearsals Begin August 19 | 6:59 pm

The Chancel Choir is looking for singers to join us for the 2026-2027 season. Shy? Curious but hesitant? Jump in and give it a try! Contact John Wright (johnwright@northminster-indy.org) with any questions or to learn more!

Peace Choir at Northminster | Rehearsals Begin August 19 | 6:00 pm

The Peace Choir is open to all children in grades 3-6! Focus is on reading music, strengthening the voice, improving tone, learning a variety of musical styles, and more! Contact Director, Katie Ray (katherinebolinger@gmail.com).

Youth Group @ Indiana State Fair | August 23 | 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Youth Group is heading to the Indiana State Fair! Entry is free, but youth are encouraged to bring money for snacks, games, or rides. Specific details about drop-off and pick-up will be added closer to the event.

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.

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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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