Sharing Holy Communion

The Invitation to Communion

The Prayer of Jesus (Using “Father” or “God” and “trespasses”)

The Words of Institution

The service of holy communion is a celebration of the presence of God and Christ among us and a feast of bounty for all. In this place, all are welcome to partake. You will be directed, row by row, to come forward. The server will place the bread in your open palms. Gluten-free wafers are available. You are invited to either partake of the common cup containing wine or you may choose to take one of the individual cups containing grape juice. If you wish to take communion using intinction (dipping the bread), please use the individual cups.

The Communion Anthem “O Rest in the Lord,” from *Elijah* — Felix Mendelssohn
Naomi Kilpatrick, Alto

*The Communion Response — LAAST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Christ, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter, One God Triune, whom we adore.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

*The Closing Hymn No. 295 — *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*
GRAND ISLE

*The Benediction — Rev. Hankamer

*The Postlude and Recessional *Postlude on GRAND ISLE* — D. H. Clark

(You may quietly follow the choir’s recession of be seated until the conclusion of the brief postlude.)

At Northminster, Everyone Is a Minister
Our Equipping Ministers

Senior Pastor: Rev. Jillian Hankamer
Director of Music: Rev. Dr. Deborah Chandler
Organist/Musician in Residence: Rev. Dr. D.H. Clark
Music Associate: Dr. Diana Thacher
Choral Intern: Miss Naomi Kilpatrick
Admin. Assistant: Ms. Renee Decker
In Memoriam Rev. Dr. C. Welton Gaddy, Senior Pastor 1992-2016

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Do Justice, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly with God. MICAH 6:8

NORTHMINSTER Church

The Worship of God

The Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost
November 1, 2026

All Saints Sunday

Welcome to our service at Northminster Church. We believe that true worship is an active experience for each worshipper. As we become aware of the presence of those seated near us let us enter into the realization that this hour provides us with an opportunity to encounter the Holy. At this time, please silence all electronic devices. Then, please sign and pass the attendance register on the inside aisle of each row so we can know of your presence with us.

Gathering for Worship

The Preludes — *Offertory, from Requiem – Gabriel Fauré* — 10:45 a.m.
Introit and Kyrie, from Requiem – Guiseppe Verdi
For All the Saints - SINE NOMINE, by Ralph Vaughan Williams, arr. Mark Hayes

The Chiming of the Hour — 11:00 a.m.

The Welcome and Opportunities — Rev. Jillian Hankamer

The Call to Worship

The Congregational Response
We give thanks!

**Please rise, if able, in body or in spirit.*

*The Processional *O Saints in Splendor Sing* arr. D. H. Clark

SPLENDOR PATERNAE GLORIAE

O Saints in splendor sing, now in God's dwelling place, your songs of praise the heavens ring, your legacy our grace. On earth, you shone in life, a beacon for us all, to light our path o'er all our strife, lest any foot should fall. O saints who've gone before, prepared for us the way; the church expectant, yet to come, relies on us today.

– Text adapted from Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1991 by DHC

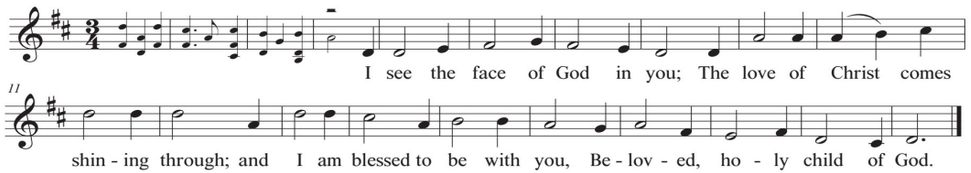
(Please rise in body or in spirit as the processional cross passes your row)

*The Opening Hymn (See Insert) *God, We Thank You For Our People*

HYFRYDOL

Listening for God in Word, Music, and Prayer

The Children's Message



The Voluntary

The Psalter Psalm 34



I will bless God at all times; God's praise shall continually be in my mouth. O magnify God with me, and let us exalt God's name together. (Response) Seek God, for God answers you and delivers you from your fears and dangers. O Beloved One, who supplies our needs, we praise your name forever. O taste and see the goodness of God. Blessing upon blessing flows from our Creator. The Beloved comforts and strengthens us, and renews the lives of all who surrender to love. (Response) Glory be to God Creator and to the Christ and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. (Response)

The Scripture Reading 1 John 3:1-3

One: Words of the assurance of God's love.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

The Time of Remembrance Rev. Hankamer

Mary Sandow ***Kay Southern*** ***Rodney Thomas***

Marianne Wilcox ***Howard Brentlinger*** ***Ingrid Gray***

Douglas Salter ***Conrad Rispoli***

The Hymn No. 376 *God, We Thank You for Our People*

(Stanzas 1 & 4) HOLY MANNA

*The Gospel Acclamation O WALY WALY, arr. D.H. Clark

For all the saints who've shown your love in how they live and where they move, for mindful spirits, caring souls, we thank you. God, they've made us whole. Glory be to You, O Christ. (text: John Bell)

*The Gospel Reading Among the People Matthew 5:1-12

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

Choir: *Bless all whose will or name or love reflects the grace of heaven above, though unacclaimed by earthly powers. Your love through theirs has hallowed ours. Praise be to You, O Christ.*

The Sermon Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem *Sine Nomine* Ralph Vaughan Williams

(*For All the Saints)*

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Thou was't their rock, their fortress, and their might, Thou, God, their captain in the well-fought fight. Thou in the darkness drear their one true light. When the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia!

– Hymn by William W. How, arr. by Earl Rosenberg

Dedicating Gifts to God

The Offertory is a time of personal devotion and reflection on the day's teaching, and an opportunity to present silently before God what we can give of ourselves. Monetary gifts, which are an important part of our worship and commitment to our church, may be made privately in the offering plate located in the aisle at the back of the sanctuary or via PayPal by scanning the QR Code found on the insert.

**Please rise, if able.*