

The Communion Music

Aeon

Ola Gjeilo

*The Communion Response

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.

Departing to Respond to God's Love

*The Closing Hymn and Recessional No. 527

*The Benediction

The Postlude

Prelude in G Minor

We Offer Christ
CHARTERHOUSE

J.S. Bach

***The floral offering is given to the glory of God
And in thankfulness for our family;
Robyn Hankamer and Noemi Amadeo
Steve and Beth Hankamer, Philip and Sally Farmer
Jackie Farmer, Jill Thomas
Jeff, Mindy, and Hannah Moore
By Erich and Jillian Hankamer***



**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: Mr. Justin Havard

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

Celebrating
35 years of Ministry
1989-2024



The Worship of God

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

World Communion and Baby Dedication Sunday

October 6, 2024

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

Chels King and Jen Farmer

10:45 a.m.

The Chiming of the Hour

11:00 a.m.

The Welcome and Opportunities

Rev. Jillian Hankamer

The Minute for Missions

Missy Spicer

The Call to Worship

One: Children of God: Welcome!

Many: Welcome to this place of love and grace.

One: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

Many: God invites all of us to be part of the beloved community.

One: God invites all of us to share in the good news.

Many: We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

One: In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

Rev. Hankamer

The Processional

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

*The Opening Hymn No. 533

Children of God
WELWYN

The Dedication of the Child

*The dedication of
Eirinn Sophia Hankamer*

The Promises to Keep

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Moore

The Promises of the Parents

The Promises of the God-Family

Rev. Dr. Deborah Chandler

The Promises of the Community

Dr. Moore: People of Northminster Church, will you seek to be a community through which Eirinn can discover the meaning of the Christian faith? Will you help stir into flame the gifts which God has given this child, whatever they may be?

Church: With God's help, we will.

Dr. Moore: Do you promise as a community of faith to surround the Hankamer family with your love for the strengthening of their life together? To be for them a family in Christ whose love for them cannot be broken; to accept Eirinn into your loving care and share the responsibility for her growth toward fullness of life in Christ? To help her learn Christ's ways and to lead her in service to God and neighbor?

Church: With God's help, we will.

The Pastoral Blessing

The Prayer of Dedication

The Voluntary

For This Child We Have Prayed

D. H. Clark
CAROLINE

Listening for a Word from God

Psalm 103:1-17

The Scripture Reading

One: The Psalmist speaks.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**

*The Gospel Acclamation

This is the Good News from God this day. Glory be to you, O Christ.

D. H. Clark

*The Gospel Reading

Mark 10:13-16

One: The Gospel of our Lord.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**
Choir: *Listen as God speaks to us this day through these words. Praise be to You, O Christ.*

The Sermon

Family in All Forms

Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Kathleen Thomerson

Arr. D. H. Clark

I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world; the star of my life is Jesus. I want to see the brightness of God; I want to look at Jesus. Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to Jesus. I am looking for the coming of Christ; I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. In Jesus there is no darkness at all; the night and day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God: Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus!

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.

Sharing Holy Communion

The Invitation to Communion

The Prayer of Jesus (*using Father or God; using 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 take your own cup.

*Please rise, if able.