

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.*

The Communion Anthem                      *Christ Has a Garden*                      O WALY WALY  
arr. Gerald Near

*Christ has a garden walled around, a paradise of fruitful ground, chosen by love and fenced by grace from out the world’s wide wilderness. Like trees of spice his servants stand, there planted by his mighty hand; by Eden’s gracious streams that flow, to feed their beauty where they grow. Awake, O wind of heaven and bear their sweetest perfume through the air; stir up, O south, the boughs that bloom, til the beloved Master comes: That he may come and linger yet among the trees that he has set; that he may ever more be seen to walk amid the springing green.*  
-Robert Bridges after Issac Watts

\*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.**

Departing to Respond to God’s Love

\*The Closing Hymn and Recessional no. 503                      *O Savior, Let Me Walk with You*  
MARYTON

\*The Benediction                      Rev. Hankamer

The Postlude                      *Short Prelude in E minor*                      J.S. Bach

**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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The Worship of God  
The Second Sunday After Epiphany  
January 19, 2025

*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                      10:45 a.m.

*A Delicate Joy* - David Nevue  
*I Love You* - Kris Bowers and Michael Dean Parsons  
*Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini: 18th var.* – Sergei Rachmaninoff  
*Beach Spring* - arr. Randall Hartsell

The Chiming of the Hour                      11:00 a.m.

The Welcome and Opportunities                      Rev. Jillian Hankamer

The Call to Worship

Rev. Hankamer

One: To the fisherman Jesus said:  
Many: **“Follow me and I will make you fish for people.”**  
One: To the tax collector Jesus said:  
Many: **“Follow me.”**  
One: To the rich man Jesus said:  
Many: **“Follow me.”**  
One: At the last supper Jesus said:  
Many: **“Follow me.”**  
One: To you and to me and to all of us Jesus says:  
Many: **“Follow me!**

Written by Rev. Kathleen Sheets”

The Processional

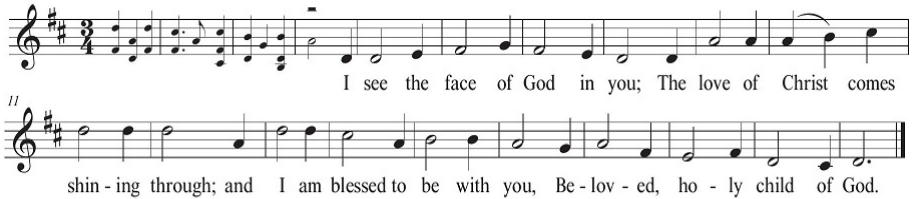
(Please rise in body or in spirit as the processional cross passes your row)

\*The Opening Hymn No. 533

Children of God  
WELWYN

The Children’s Message

Rev. Hankamer



Listening for God in Word and Prayer

The Voluntary

As the Deer

arr. Martin Nystrom

The Scripture Reading

Psalm 22:21-31

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

The Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Hankamer

\*The Hymn No. 504

You Walk Along Our Shoreline  
SALLEY GARDENS

The Scripture Reading

1 Timothy 3:14-16

One: A reminder for servant-leaders of the church.  
Many: **Thanks be to God.**

\*The Gospel Acclamation

D.H. Clark

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light. Glory be to you, O Christ.

\*The Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:18-25

One: The Gospel of the Lord.  
Many: **Thanks be to God.**  
Choir Arise, shine, for your Light has come. Praise be to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem

Come, Thou Fount

NETTLETON, arr. Craig Courtney

Come Thou Fount of every blessing time my heart to sing Thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount I’m fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love. Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I’m come; and I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God. He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious love. O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love. Here’s my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

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” and “trespasses”)

\*Please rise, if able.