

## Sharing Holy Communion

The Invitation to Communion

The Prayer of Jesus (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.*

The Communion Anthem      *Vocalise on “Hallelujah”*      Leonard Cohen, arr. D H Clark  
Naomi Kilpatrick, mezzo soprano

\*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. 16      *Let Us with a Joyful Mind*  
(Stanzas 1 – 4)      INNOCENTS

\*The Benediction

The Postlude      *Sonata No. 30: Allegro assai*      Joseph Haydn

***The floral offering is given to the Glory of God***



**At Northminster, Everyone Is a Minister  
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**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 Seventh Sunday After Pentecost July 7, 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      10:45 a.m.

*Rêverie* - Claude Debussy  
*One Second and Million Miles* - Jason Robert Decker  
*In terra pax* - Gwyneth Walker  
*Capricho catalan* - Isaac Albéniz

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

The Welcome and Opportunities      Rev. Jillian Hankamer

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

The Call to Worship

Rev. Hankamer

One: Come and worship, all you who love and serve the Lord,  
Many: outsiders and insiders,  
One: old-timers and new-comers,  
Many: the young, old, and the in-between.  
One: Come as you are,  
Many: for this is God’s house – a house of prayer for all people,  
All: and God welcomes each one who comes.

The Processional

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

\*The Opening Hymn No. 423

Great Is Your Faithfulness  
FAITHFULNESS

The Children’s Message

Rev. Hankamer

Musical notation for the hymn 'Great Is Your Faithfulness'. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: 'I see the face of God in you; The love of Christ comes shin - ing through; and I am blessed to be with you, Be - lov - ed, ho - ly child of God.'

Listening for God in Word and Prayer

The Voluntary

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

arr. Faye López

The Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 1:9-18

One: A story of longing and answered prayer.  
Many: Thanks be to God.

The Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Hankamer

\*The Hymn (See Insert)

God of the Women  
SLANE

The Scripture Reading

Psalm 113

One: The Psalmist speaks to us today.  
Many: Thanks be to God.

\*The Gospel Acclamation

Stephen Schwartz, from *Godspell*  
arr. D. H. Clark

Hear now the word of God. You are the Light of the world. So let that Light shine forth to the corners of the earth. Glory be to you, O Christ.

\*The Gospel Reading

Mark 15:22-29

One: The Gospel of the Lord.  
Many: Thanks be to God.  
Choir: So let your light shine before all, so that they might know some kindness again. Praise be to You, O Christ.

The Sermon

Teaching Jesus

Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem

My Faith Is Strong and Sure

Lowell Mason  
Arr. D.H. Clark

My faith is strong and sure, through love so rich, so pure. Your love endures. Now hear me while I pray; take all my fears away. O let me from this day be fully yours. May your rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart; let faith inspire that we may mountains move, fill all the world with love. Give us the spirit of a living fire. While life’s dark maze I tread, and grief around me spread, be now my guide. Bid darkness turn to day; wipe sorrow’s tears away; nor let me ever stray from your abide. Then through eternity, when we your face shall see, Love hold us fast. Where there is plenteous room, flowers in perpetual bloom, here is no dark nor gloom, here in God’s plenteous room, we’re home at last. Amen  
Text by D H Clark, based on “My Faith Looks up to Thee,” by Ray Palmer

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.