The Communion Anthem *Precious Lord Take My Hand* George Allen
arr. Roy Ringwald

Precious Lord, take my hand, bring me home through the night, through the dark, through the storm, to thy light. I have been to the mount, I have seen the promised land: Precious Lord, take my hand. Precious Lord, take my hand, bring thy child home at last, where the strife and the pain all are past; I have dreamed a great dream that thy love shall rule our land: Precious Lord, take my hand. Precious Lord, take my hand, take thy child unto Thee, with my dream of a world that is free; For that day when all flesh joins the glory thou hast planned, Precious Lord, take my hand. -Text by Joyce Merman

*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 No. 486 *I Must Tell Jesus*
(Stanzas 1 and 3) ORWIGSBURG

*The Benediction Dr. Cluck

*The Postlude and Recessional *When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder*
arr. Mark Hayes

(Following the Choir's recession, you may quietly follow or be seated until the conclusion of the postlude.)

At Northminster, Everyone Is a Minister
Our Equipping Ministers

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Organist/Musician in Residence: Rev. Dr. D.H. Clark **Music Associate:** Dr. Diana Thacher
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Do Justice, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly with God. MICAH 6:8

NORTHMINSTER Church

The Worship of God

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
October 11, 2026

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 *Hymn Medley / Meditation* 10:45 a.m.

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

The Welcome and Opportunities Rev. Dr. Darrell Cluck

The Call to Worship

Leader: In every storm,
Christ is near.
People: Peace…be still.
Peace…be still.
Leader: When fear rises
And the waves grow tall -
People: Peace…be still.
Peace…be still.
Leader: When justice feels fragile,
When hope feels small -
People: Peace…be still.
Peace…be still.

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

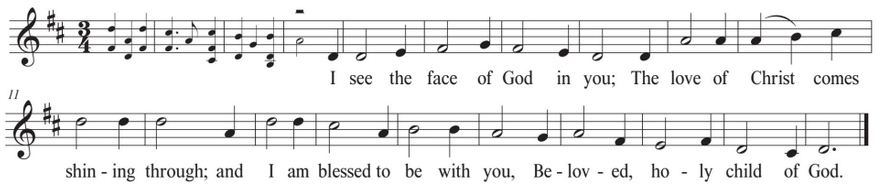
Leader: Love is stronger than the wind.
People: Peace is rising in the storm.
All: Peace…be still.
Peace…be still.

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

*The Opening Hymn No. 86 *When Morning Gilds the Skies*
LAUDES DOMINI
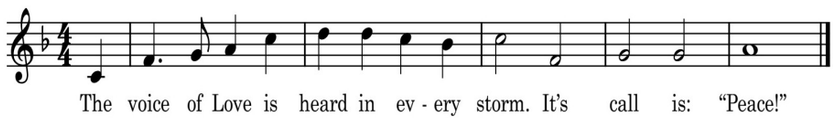
Listening for God in Word, Music, and Prayer

The Children's Message Ann Aro



The Voluntary *Christ ist erstanden* from Buxheimer Orgelbuch

The Psalter Psalm 29



The Pastoral Prayer Dr. Cluck

The Prayer Response *I Love My God, Who Heard My Cry* SMALLWOOD

The Hebrew Scripture Reading Isaiah 25:1-9
One: The Prophet speaks.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**

*The Hymn No. 503 O *Savior, Let Me Walk With You*
MARYTON

*The Gospel Acclamation D.H. Clark
Hear now these words that Jesus spoke in love to those he served. Glory be to You, O Christ.

*The Gospel Reading Matthew 14:22-33
One: The Good News of God.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**
Choir: *Forgive, love, and go into the world renewed. Praise be to You, O Christ.*

The Sermon ***Sink, Swim, or Walk on Water*** Dr. Cluck

The Anthem *You Do Not Walk Alone* Elaine Hagenberg
May you see God's light on the path ahead when the road you walk is dark. May you always hear, even in your hour of sorrow, the gentle singing of the lark. When times are hard may hardness never turn your heart to stone, may you always remember when the shadows fall, you do not walk alone. -Traditional Irish Blessing

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")

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.

**Please rise, if able.*