

Departing to Respond to God's Love

*The Closing Hymn and Recessional No. 256

We Live by Faith and Not by Sight
DUNLAP'S CREEK

*The Benediction

The Postlude

Toccata on DEO GRACIA

Richard Key Biggs



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

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In Memoriam Rev. Dr. C. Welton Gaddy, Senior Pastor 1992-2016

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The Worship of God

The Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 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.
	<i>Prelude in Classic Style - Gordon Young</i> <i>Prelude on BROTHER JAMES' AIR - Searle Wright</i> <i>Folk Tune - Percy Whitlock</i>	
The Chiming of the Hour		11:00 a.m.
The Welcome and Opportunities		Rev. Jillian Hankamer
The Call to Worship		Rev. Hankamer
	One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!	
	Many: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!	
	One: We have not seen the risen Christ.	
	Many: But we see Him in the lives of those transformed by grace.	
	One: We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,	
	Many: but we have seen Him in the faces of everyone whose love encourages us.	
	One: We have not touched the wounds from the cross,	
	Many: but we have been called to bring healing to the scarred of the world.	
		-Thom Schumann

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

*The Opening Hymn No. 253 Yours is the Glory, Resurrected One
JUDAS MACCABEUS

The Children's Message Rev. Hankamer
*I see the face of God in you; the love of Christ comes shining through, and I am
blessed to be with you, beloved, holy child of God.*

Listening for God in Word, Prayer and Music

The Voluntary Lento Charles Villiers Stanford

The Psalm Psalm 111
Leader: The Psalmist speaks.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Hankamer

The New Testament Reading Acts 1:3-5;12-14
Leader: Post resurrection stories.
People: Thanks be to God.

*The Hymn No. 254 These Things did Thomas Count
DISTRESS

*The Gospel Acclamation D.H. Clark
This is Good News from God this day. Glory be to you, O Christ.

*The Gospel Reading John 20:19-31
Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Choir: Listen as God speaks to us this day through these words. Praise be to
you, O Christ.

The Sermon **A Distinct Lack of Peace** Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem Awake My Heart Jane Marshall
*Awake, my heart, and render, to God thy sure defender, thy maker, thy preserver, a
song of love and fervor. Confirm my deeds and guide me. My day, with thee beside
me, beginning, middle, ending, will all be upward tending. My heart shall be thy
dwelling, with joy and gladness swelling; thy word my nurture given to bring me on
toward heaven.* -Paulus Gerhardt, 17th c.

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 "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 Adagio for Strings Samuel Barber

*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.**

**Please rise, if able.*