

The Communion Meditation

Pearson Cross

*The Communion Response

LAASST 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. 575

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*The Benediction

Rev. Hankamer

The Postlude

Pearson Cross



**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 Pentecost

June 28, 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.
Guest Pianist – Pearson Cross
- The Chiming of the Hour 11:00 a.m.
- The Welcome and Opportunities Rev. Jillian Hankamer
- The Call to Worship Rev. Hankamer
 - One: Come believers and faithful ones, sing your alleluias to God.
 - Many: Praise God, who invades us with the rush of mighty wind and fills us with fire.**
 - One: Praise God, who out of love for us sent Jesus Christ to live among us with fire.
 - Many: Praise God, whose spirit is poured out upon all flesh so our children might prophesy.**
 - One: God reaches into our lives and claims us, calling us honored and loved.
 - Many: We are God's people: We are redeemed; for God has called us by name.**
 - One: Come, Holy Spirit, and find us in our wilderness. Lead us forth into the wonders of your love.

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

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

*The Opening Hymn No. 8 Praise to the Living God
DIADEMATA

Listening for God in Word, Prayer, and Music

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.

The Scripture Reading Psalm 115:9-18
One: The Psalmist speaks.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**

*The Hymn All the Colors of the Rainbow
See Insert PLEADING SAVIOR

The Scripture Reading Acts 4:32-35
One: Verses about community in the early church.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Hankamer

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

*The Gospel Reading Matthew 17:7-19
One: The Gospel of the Lord.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**
Choir: *Forgive, love, and go into the world renewed. Praise be to you, O Christ.*

The Sermon Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem Love Unbounded BEACH SPRINGS
Love unbounded, love unending, flows from God to everyone; every soul, by grace befriending, shines beneath the morning sun. No one stands outside God's favor, no one wanders out of place; all are held in love forever, wrapped in mercy, crowned with grace. God who shaped each unique feature, in a rainbow tapestry, takes delight in every creature, wanting each to fully be. Gay or straight, trans, queer or questioning, all reflect the Maker's face; every life, a holy blessing, every heart a dwelling place. Christ who walked with the rejected, touched the outcast with His hand, stands with those the world neglected, bids the proud to understand. Love is wider than religion, deeper than tradition's tide; in God's house there's full inclusion, open arms and none denied. Spirit flame of truth and justice, burn within and light the way. May we rise and love in fullness, bringing hope to all today. Let our songs proclaim this story; God is love and all are found. All are welcome in God's glory, in God's love we all abound. Text – Anon.

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 take your own cup.

**Please rise, if able.*