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Departing to Respond to God's Love

*The Closing Hymn No. 420

We Praise You, O God
KREMSER

*The Benediction

The Postlude and Recessional *Rejoice! The Lord is King!*

DARWALL'S 148th
arr. Marianne Kim

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

***The Floral Offering is given to the Glory of God
And in loving memory of
Bill and Florene Alley
By Jo Ann Alley***



**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

Reign of Christ Sunday
November 23, 2025

Welcome to our service at Northminster Church. We believe that true worship is an active experience for each worshipper. 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.

Gathering for Worship

The Preludes	10:45 a.m.
<i>Sinfonia "We Thank You, God" – J. S. Bach, Tr. D. H. Clark</i>	
<i>Romance sans Paroles 1, 2, & 3 – Cécile Chaminade</i>	
<i>Sinfonia: Wir danken dir, Gott – J. S. Bach</i>	
The Chiming of the Hour	11:00 a.m.
The Welcome and Opportunities	Rev. Jillian Hankamer
The Call to Worship	Rev. Hankamer
The Processional	<i>(Please rise in body or in spirit as the processional cross passes your row)</i>
*The Opening Hymn No. 304	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name</i> CORONATION

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

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 Voluntary *Now Thank We All Our God* J. S. Bach

The Scripture Reading Jeremiah 23:1-4
One: Words that prepare us for the coming of the Christ child.
Many: Thanks be to God.

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Hankamer

The Response *O God, My God* John Bell

*The Gospel Acclamation D. H. Clark
Give thanks to God, for God's word endures forever. Glory be to you, O Christ.

*The Gospel Lesson Luke 1:68-79
One: The Gospel of our Lord.
Many: Thanks be to God.
Choir: *It is right to give our thanks and praise. Praise be to you, O Christ.*

The Sermon Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem *A Harvest Anthem* Malcolm Archer
God in such love for us lent us this planet, gave it a purpose in time and space. Small as a spark from the fire of creation, cradle of life and the home of our race. Thanks be to God for its bounty and beauty, life that sustains us in body and mind; plenty for all if we learn how to share it, riches undreamed of to fathom and find. Long have our human wars ruined its harvest; long has earth bowed to the terror of force; long have we wasted what others have need of, poisoned the fountain of life at its source. Earth is the Lord's, it is ours to enjoy it, ours, as God's stewards to farm and defend. From its pollution, misuse and destruction, good Lord deliver us, world without end!
- Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000)

Dedicating Gifts to God

The Offertory is a time of personal devotion and an opportunity to present silently before God what we can give of ourselves. Monetary gifts 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.

The Communion Anthem *O Wisdom, Breathed from God* CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM
Arr. D. H. Clark

O Wisdom breathed from God, Most High, Your depths all cosmic bounds defy, Your might, in gentleness, holds sway; come forth and teach your prudent way. O Dayspring, ever shining bright, O Sun of Justice, splendid light, Shine on each soul by sin held fast, break through the clouds of death at last. All praise to you, Great Mystery, the undivided Trinity, Our constant aid, on you we call: One God, the Mother of us all. O Come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

Text from "O Antiphons," Latin, 6th-7th c.

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