

Departing to Respond to God’s Love

*The Closing Hymn and Recessional No. 498
(Stanzas 1 – 4)

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love
CHEREPONI

*The Benediction

Rev. Hankamer

The Postlude

Eugenia
Scott Joplin



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 Fifth Sunday After Epiphany
February 9, 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

The Chrysanthemum - Scott Joplin
Attachment - Kris Bowers
Adagio in F Minor - Joseph Bologne
Swing Low, Sweet Chariot - African American Spiritual, arr. Paul Johnston

10:45 a.m.

The Chiming of the Hour

11:00 a.m.

The Welcome and Opportunities

Rev. Jillian Hankamer

The Choral Call to Worship

My Lord, What a Morning
Braden Tucker, tenor

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

*The Opening Hymn No. 1 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
ST. DENIO

The Children’s Message Rev. Hankamer

Musical notation for the children's message. It consists of two staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. 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 American Symphony Theme Jon Batiste

The Psalm Psalm 146
One: A song of praise for God’s help.
Many: Thanks be to God.

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Hankamer

*The Hymn No. 459 Come, O Fount of Every Blessing
(Stanzas 1, 3) NETTLETON

*The Gospel Acclamation D.H. Clark
We live not by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. Glory be to you, O Christ.

*The Gospel Reading Matthew 11:1-14
One: The Gospel of the Lord.
Many: Thanks be to God.
Choir: Words that sustain us, bread that nourishes our souls. Praise be to you, O Christ.

The Sermon Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem Give Me Jesus arr. Brian Fairbanks
Give me Jesus, you can have all this world, when I come to die, give me Jesus.
Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus. Give me Jesus.

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.

The Communion Anthem Sanctus Franz Schubert
Holy is the Lord! Holy is our God who always liveth, evermore the same. Heaven and earth God ruleth, come and praise God’s name! Glorious and beloved is the One adored! Holy is the Lord!

*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.