

*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 and Recessional No. 497
(Stanza 1: Choir Only)

Guide My Feet
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*The Benediction

The Postlude

Toccata in F

Buxtehude

***The floral offering is given to the glory of God
And in loving memory of Bill Kight
On the occasion of his birthday
By the Kight Family***



**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

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

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The Worship of God The Sixth Sunday of Easter May 25, 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.
Chorale Preludes by Dietrich Buxtehude and Johannes Brahms
- The Chiming of the Hour 11:00 a.m.
- The Welcome and Opportunities Rev. Jillian Hankamer
- The Call to Worship Rev. Hankamer
 - One: We gather together in the presence of God,
 - Many: the Lord of heaven and earth;**
 - One: the Creator of our world and everything in it;
 - Many: the One who gave us life and breath,**
 - One: the One who is never far away from any of us,
 - Many: the One in whom we live and move and have our being.**
 - One: Let's worship God together!

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

*The Opening Hymn No. 26 *We Worship You, God*
(Stanzas 1, 2, 3) LYONS

Listening for God in Word, Prayer and Music

The Children's Message *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.* Rev. Hankamer

The Voluntary *Deck Yourself, My Soul, With Gladness.* Brahms

The Scripture Reading *Psalm 19:7-10*
One: The Psalmist speaks.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Hankamer

The Scripture Reading *Philippians 3:7-11*
One: The realization that knowing and belonging to Christ overrides all else.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**

*The Hymn No. 530 *God Our Author and Creator*
(Stanzas 1, 2) JEFFERSON

The Scripture Reading *Acts 17:22-34*
One: Preach on, Brother Paul.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem *The Majesty and Glory of Your Name* Tom Fetteke
When I gaze unto the night skies and see the work of your fingers; the moon and stars suspended in space. Who are we that you are mindful of us? You have given us a crown of glory and honor, and have made us a little lower than the angels. You have put us in care of all creation; beasts of the field, birds of the air, fish of the sea. O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of your name transcends the earth and fills the heavens. O Lord our God, little children praise you perfectly, and so would we. Alleluia!

– text Linda Lee Johnson and based on Psalm 8

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 *Lord, In You Have I Trusted* Tomás Luis de Victoria
Lord, in You have I trusted. Let that trust be steadfast unto the end. Lord, Your loving kindness sets us free, love as deep as the deepest sea. Lord how great is Your goodness. Make Your face to shine on us. Amen.

**Please rise, if able.*