

The Communion Anthem

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

GIBBONS' SONG 13

arr. D. H. Clark

Holy Spirit, truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine. Voice of God and inward light, wake my spirit, clear my sight. Holy Spirit, love divine, glow within this heart of mine. Kindle every high desire, purify me with your fire. Holy Spirit, power divine strengthen now this will of mine, that I may more boldly live serving all, myself to give. Holy Spirit, peace divine, still this restless heart of mine. Speak to calm this tossing sea, grant me your tranquility. Holy Spirit, joy divine, gladden now this heart of mine. Though in grief your joy I find, living waters sooth and heal my mind.

– Text by Samuel Longfellow, 1864

*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

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Every Time I Feel the Spirit

PENTECOST Irr.

*The Benediction

The Postlude

Fantasy on "Come Holy Spirit"

J. S. Bach



**At Northminster, Everyone Is a Minister
Our Equipping Ministers**

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

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The Worship of God

Pentecost

June 8, 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

Etude in F Minor - Frederic Chopin

10:45 a.m.

Preludio - Paul Hankinson

Intermezzo - Antonio Dvorak

Impromptu - Jon Batiste

The Chiming of the Hour

11:00 a.m.

The Welcome and Opportunities

Rev. Jillian Hankamer

The Call to Worship

Rev. Hankamer

One: The Spirit is here among us,

Many: within us, around us, between us.

One: The Spirit is here to strengthen us

Many: bringing courage, bringing conviction.

One: The Spirit is here to move us,

Many: making us sing and praise.

One: The Spirit is here.

Many: May we feel the Spirit as we gather. May we be fed by her fiery strength. May we be emboldened by her powerful wind.

One: We gather in the Spirit's arms to be nurtured as we worship.

Many: And may our worship fill us with the Spirit as we go back out into our daily lives.

-Written by Gord Waldie

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

*The Opening Hymn No. 267 *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us*
EBENEZER

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 *Prelude on GIBBONS' SONG 13* Ralph Vaughan Williams

*The Gospel Acclamation D.H. Clark
Spirit of God, descend upon our hearts, fall fresh on us in the word of God. Glory be to you, O Christ.

*The Gospel Reading John 14:8-17
Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Choir: *Listen! The Spirit is speaking to us this festival day! Praise be to you, O Christ.*

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Hankamer

The Prayer Response Daniel Iverson, 1926
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use Me!

*The Hymn *Sing a New Church Into Being*
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The Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-18
One: The story of Pentecost.
Many: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon Rev. Hankamer

The Anthem *Come Down, O Love Divine* DOWN AMPNEY
Ralph Vaughan Williams, arr. John Leavett

Come down, O Love divine; seek thou this soul of mine and visit it with your own ardor glowing. O Comforter, draw near; within my heart appear and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing. O let it freely burn till worldly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight. Clothe me round, the while my path illuming. And so, the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far out-pass the power of human telling. No soul can guess God's grace till it becomes the place where in the Holy Spirit makes God's dwelling.

-Text Bianco da Siena; Tr. Richard Littledale, alt

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.*