The Communion Anthem *The Call* Ralph Vaughan Williams, arr. DHC

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life; Such a Way as gives us breath; Such a Truth as ends all strife; Such a Life as conquers death. Come, my Light, my Feast, my strength; Such a Light as shows a feast; Such a Feast as mends in length; Such a Strength as makes a guest. Come, my Joy, me Love, my Heart; Such a Joy as none can move; Such a Love as none can part; Such a Heart as joys in love.

George Herbert (1593-1633)

*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.

*The Closing Hymn No. 495 *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*
BEECHER

*The Benediction Rev. Hankamer

*The Postlude and Recessional *Toccata,* from *Suite Gothique* Léon Boëllman

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

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:** Dr. Diana Thacher
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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Do Justice, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly with God. MICAH 6:8

NORTHMINSTER Church

The Worship of God

The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost
October 25, 2026

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.

Adagio in g. - Tomaso Albinono
Après un Rêve. - Gabriel Fauré
"Nimrod," from Enigma Variations. - Edward Elgar

The Welcome and Opportunities Rev. Jillian Hankammer

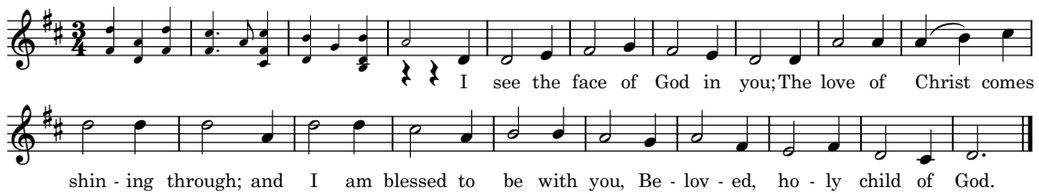
The Call to Worship

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

*The Opening Hymn No. 28 *For the Beauty of the Earth*
DIX
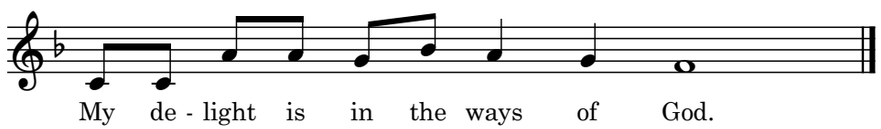
Listening for God in Word, Music, and Prayer

The Children's Message — Ann Aro



The Voluntary

The Psalter — Psalm 1



The Pastoral Prayer — Rev. Hankammer

The Prayer Response — CHRISTIAN LOVE

Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess; and let us love each other well in Christian Holiness.

The Epistle — Matthew 22:34-46

One: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Many: Thanks be to God.

*The Hymn No. 388 *(Stanzas 1, 2, & 4)* — *Help Us Accept Each Other* AURELIA

*The Gospel Acclamation — D. H. Clark

Your word is Love, Your truth is Love, You, O God, <u>are</u> Love.

*The Gospel — Matthew 22:34-46

One: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Many: Thanks be to God.
Choir: Teach us to love, even as You love. Praise be to You, O Christ.

The Sermon — Rev. Hankammer

The Anthem — *If Ye Love Me* — Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father that He will give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you forever, e'en the Spirit of Truth.

From John 14

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.

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.