

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JANUARY 15, 2017 2ND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Nimrod* (Enigma Variations) Edward Elger

WELCOME

As the welcome pads are passed down your aisle, please help us to celebrate your worshipping with us today by signing the register.

A Thought as You Prepare for Worship

"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love." — Martin Luther King, Jr.

INTROIT *Live into Hope of Captives Freed* Jane Huber

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us!

God has anointed us to bring good news to the poor,

To proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,

To set the oppressed free.

Let us worship the God of justice and peace!

The best known of the Enigma Variations is Variation No. 9, identified by the composer as "Nimrod." The name is a play on words, as the biblical Nimrod was a great hunter, and the German word meaning "hunter" is Jaeger. This lyrical movement portrays a conversation between the composer and his friend, August Jaeger.

Please join in on the liturgy printed in ***bold italics***. An asterisk* indicates that you are invited to stand in body or in Spirit as you feel led and are able.

Today's version of the Lord's Prayer can be found in the Purple Hymnal on page 35 and uses "debts" and "debtors."

This week in Sunday School Northminster's youngest will learn about Jesus' visit to the temple as a young, inquisitive boy with his parents. It is taken from Luke 2:41-50.

Today's cover art is from an ancient Fresco in Greece and depicts, in a very stylized way, the events described in today's preaching text.

*HYMN *Gather Us in (Here in This Place)* Purple, No. 401

*OPENING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*SHARING THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you. ***And also with you.***

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Spirit of the Living God

Purple, No. 288

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, who brings power to the powerless, and is foolishness to the wise, open us to your transforming, prophetic Word. Challenge us anew with fresh vistas of your grace and call upon our lives and being. Amen.

ANTHEM

Let the Peace of Christ

Molly Ijames

SERMON READING

Luke 4: 14-30

NT, pp. 61-62

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Hometown Prophets

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Service of Ordination and Installation

Sentences of Scripture

Statement of Ordination and Installation

Presentation of the Candidates

Greg Boyer, Clerk of Session

Congregational Affirmations

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? Do you?

I do.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? Do you?

I do.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love? Will you?

I will, with God's help.

*Apostles' Creed

(Traditional) Purple, p. 35

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Constitutional Questions

To the Candidates

To the Congregation

Prayer of Ordination and Laying on of Hands

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your servants whom you called through baptism and marked as your own. Bless them that they may show the compassion of Christ in the actions of daily living and rightly govern and care for your people. Give them the gifts of your Holy Spirit to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead and serve with compassion and vision. In the walk of faith and for the work of ministry, give to your servants gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility, humor and courage, and an abiding sense of your presence. Amen.

In this service of ordination and installation of our church officers, we affirm their calls by God to serve in these unique leadership capacities. These individuals are set apart to the ministries of Deacon and Ruling Elder. A person is ordained to a position only one time; if they are called to serve in the same role again, they are installed to that position. Once ordained, a person is always ordained, but they are installed for a particular term of service.

Declaration of Ordination and Installation and Welcome

*HYMN

Come! Live in the Light!

Purple, No. 749

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

RESPONSE

(Refrain only) Purple, No. 792

There Is a Balm in Gilead

SHARING OUR LIFE AND MINISTRY

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Call to Offering

Offertory

True Light

K. Hampton

*Response *Take, O Take Me as I Am*

Purple, No. 698

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

We have received so much from you, Generous God, that we can't imagine what we offer here could ever compare. Still, in gratitude we offer these gifts and our lives, rejoicing in the knowledge that you can accomplish great and wonderful things even through us. In the name of our Brother, Friend and Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.

It has become a tradition to sing this hymn on Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend. It has been called the African-American national anthem.

If you leave during the Postlude, please show respect for those who remain in their seats to listen. Thanks!

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN	<i>Lift Every Voice and Sing</i>	Purple, No. 339
*CHARGE AND BLESSING		
*RESPONSE	<i>Live into Hope of Liberty</i>	Jane Huber
POSTLUDE	<i>Allegro</i>	William Boyce

The Chancel Flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Kurt Peters and Elizabeth Hopp-Peters in celebration of the January birthdays of Elizabeth, Anna, Dorothy and Priscilla.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Preaching—Rev. Michael D. Kirby

Liturgist—Rev. Jessica Gregory

A Time with the Children—Pastor Jessica

Musicians—Dr. Christopher Owen, Paul Vander Weele, the Chancel Choir

Choral Soloists—Johanna Moffitt, soprano; Jackie King, alto;

Dennis Kalup, tenor; Steve Uliana, bass

Ushers—Lee Knohl, Molly McDowell, Elaine Wall

Acolytes—Abby Perry & Annabelle Brown

Our Northminster Family at Work

PROGRAM AND WORSHIP STAFF

Rev. Michael D. Kirby—*Senior Pastor & Head of Staff*

Rev. Jessica Gregory—*Associate Pastor*

Rev. Ann Ohlrogge Johnson—*Parish Associate*

Dr. Christopher Owen—*Director of Music*

Paul Vander Weele—*Organist*

Kate Lee—*Director of Youth Music*

Margaret Parcell—*Director of Northminster Nursery School*

Meredith Rogowski—*Director of Children's Ministry*

Alex DeMarco—*Director of Youth Ministry*

Gina DiBenedetto—*Director of Mom's Morning Out*

Ami Bauman—*Coordinator of Mom's Morning Out*

Lisa Martinez—*Sunday Nursery Supervisor*

ClaudINETTE Voltaire—*Sunday Nursery Assistant*

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT STAFF

Sharyn Wilson Woods—*Parish Administrator*

Mike Jin—*Financial Secretary*

Davit Hovakimyan—*Facilities Manager*

Alex Villegas—*Sunday Sexton*

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Greg Boyer—*Clerk of Session*

Jim Kirk—*Moderator, Deacon Board*

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