

# SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

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## NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

AUGUST 7, 2016

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

#### WELCOME

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

#### PRELUDE

*Adagio* (from the Cello Concerto)

Edward Elgar

*You are invited to join in saying or singing all text that appears in **bold italics**.*

*A Prayer as You Prepare for Worship  
Morning has risen; sleep is still in our eyes,  
But at once on our lips shall be your praise....  
O, Lord, grant that the hours and minutes  
do not slip away in our hands,  
But that we may live in your time. Amen.—**Ghanaian Christians***

*An asterisk\* indicates that you are invited to stand in body or in Spirit as you feel led and are able.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

God, Creator of the universe, you have called us to this place.

*We gather within these walls, seeking you.*

With your call and our response, we know the Spirit moves here,

*Bringing us wisdom, strengthening our faith,*

Quickening our steps and opening our hearts,

*That we might boldly seek your kingdom,*

Prepared to follow your summons,

*Wherever it might lead us.*

*In prayer, song, and scripture, we seek your Word.*

\*HYMN *I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say* Purple, No. 400

\*OPENING 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 *Wait for the Lord* Purple, No. 90

*Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.*

*Wait for the Lord; be strong; take heart! (Repeat all)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*Light of the World, those who sit in darkness await your spark of inspiration. Light your revealing flame in each of our hearts. Set your radiant truth aglow in our minds that we might hear, understand, and follow you. Amen.*

FIRST READING Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 NT, p. 225

ANTHEM *Song for a New World* Jason Robert Brown

SERMON READINGS Luke 12:32-40 NT, p. 75

*Today in Sunday School, Northminster's youngest will hear about the Parable of the Good Shepherd, based on Matthew 18.*

SERMON

*Just Prepared Enough*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### SHARING OUR LIFE AND MINISTRY

### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Call to Offering

Offertory            *Hear My Song*            Jason Robert Brown

\*Response    *In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful*    Purple, No.

*(Sing through twice)*

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*O God, whose bounty we have all received, accept this offering of your people with our gratitude, and so follow it with your blessing that it may promote peace and good will among all peoples, and advance the coming commonwealth of our savior and friend Jesus Christ, Amen.*

### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

\*HYMN            *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*            Purple, No. 529

### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

### GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord is here.

*God's Spirit is with us.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

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.....who forever sing to the glory of your name:

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

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.....great is the mystery of faith:

*Today, as a sign of our response to God's gracing love, we will come forward and receive communion by intinction. You are invited to take a piece of bread (gluten free is in the foil cup) and either dip it in the common cup or take a cup from the tray provided. Those who have difficulty coming forward are invited to remain in their seats and a server will bring communion to you.*

*Christ has died, Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts" and "debtors")

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RECEPTION OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*If you leave during the  
postlude, please be  
considerate and try not  
to disturb those who  
remain in a worshipful  
frame of mind.*

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN      *The Church of Christ in Every Age*      Purple, No. 320

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Alleluia*

Theodore Dubois

*The Chancel Flowers today are given to the Glory of God in memory of Kenneth Wm. Roehl,  
father of Heather Eloff. He is dearly missed by Heather and Andy Eloff, and by his grandchildren  
Mara and Emily Eloff.*

### 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

*Choral Quartet*—Sarah Schroeder, soprano; Jackie King, alto;

Dennis Kalup, tenor; Stephen Uliana, bass

*Ushers*—Pat Drinkwine, Kent Geibel, Ryan Gregory, Dennis Trautvetter

*Greeters*—Marilyn & Jim Kirk

*Acolyte*—Ashlyn Rogowski

### 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*

Margaret Parcell—*Director of Northminster Nursery School*

Meredith Rogowski—*Director of Children's Ministry*

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

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

#### 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*

