

# SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

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## NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JUNE 4, 2017

PENTECOST SUNDAY



### 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

*Fanfares for the Tongues of Fire*

Larry King

#### *A Thought as You Prepare for Worship*

We name you wind, power, force, and then, imaginatively, "Third Person." We name you and you blow...

So blow this day, wind, blow here and there, power, blow even us, force. Rush us beyond ourselves; Rush us beyond our hopes; Rush us beyond our fears, until we enact your newness in the world. Come Holy Spirit, come. Amen.—**Walter Brueggemann**

#### INTROIT

*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*  
Youth Bells

George W. Webb

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us walk with one another as the disciples did.  
Let us journey together as we tell God's story in song and proclamation.

***Let us ponder what we have seen and heard, what we know to be true, and what we hope beyond hope is real.***

*Today's cover art is a contemporary mosaic of Pentecost of unknown origin originally published without attribution in the Presbyterian Outlook.*

Larry King was appointed organist of Trinity Church, Wall Street, in 1968. *Fanfares*, based on *Veni Creator Spiritus*, was written in 1978.

*When you see an asterisk (\*) you are invited to stand in body or in Spirit as you feel led and are able. Please join in speaking or singing all parts in bold italics.*

Let us walk in the Spirit, that our minds might be clear, our hearts open, and our own spirits renewed.

***Behold, God journeys with us; Jesus walks beside us. May the Spirit give us eyes to see the risen Christ:***

Here and everywhere, now and always.

***Let us worship God!***

\*HYMN

*Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

Purple, No. 291

OPENING PRAYER

ACKNOWLEDGING OUR NEED OF GRACE

***Gracing God, we come in humility, acknowledging who and whose we are. When your Spirit speaks, often we turn deaf ears, for we fear what you might call us to do. When your Spirit touches our lips, too many times we close our mouths, embarrassed to speak your truth. When the wind of your Spirit blows, we close the windows of our hearts, afraid the breeze will disrupt our ordered lives. When the fire of your Spirit touches us, we quench the flame, afraid of the new life it might bring. Forgive us, O Lord and grant us a new heart and new strength to heed your inspiring call with joy and enthusiasm. Amen.***

ASSURANCE OF RESTORATION

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***May God strengthen us in all goodness and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, renew us. Amen.***

\*RESPONSE

*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*

Refrain, Purple, No. 591

\*SHARING THE PEACE

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-2 (3-6)

NT, p. 119

"... each one heard them speaking in the native language of each."

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

HYMN OF PREPARATION

*Spirit of the Living God*

Purple, No. 288

*Today in Sunday School the children are learning about Pentecost and the Holy Spirit and the events described in Acts 2.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***Creating God, help us to hear your Word this day, open to the movement of your Spirit within us, this church and the world. As your Word is proclaimed, may we respond in faith and joy, through Jesus Christ. Amen.***

SERMON READING

Galatians 4:1-7

NT, p. 189

SERMON

*A Family Reunion*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OUR WORSHIPFUL WORK TOGETHER

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Call to Offering

Offertory *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* H. Morris

\*Response *Lord of All Good* Purple, No. 711, vs. 1

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

***In gratitude and thanksgiving, we bring our offerings and our very lives. Take and transform them so that all that we do, say, and are may further your coming reign of peace, justice, and love. 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 Spirit of God be with you.

***And also with you.***

Lift your hearts to the heavens.

***Where Christ in glory reigns.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is indeed...

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RECEPTION OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*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.*

# BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN      *Tongues of Fire Announced Her Coming*  
See Insert

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE      *Komm Gott Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist*      J.S. Bach

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

## TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

*Preaching*—Rev. Michael D. Kirby

*Liturgist*—Rev. Ann Ohlrogge Johnson

*A Time with the Children*—Joan LePontois

*Musicians*—Dr. Christopher Owen, Paul Vander Weele, Chancel Choir,  
Kate Lee, Youth Bell Choir and Sunday School Choirs

*Choral Soloists*—Johanna Moffitt, soprano; Jackie King, alto;  
Dennis Kalup, tenor; Steve Uliana, bass

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

*Acolytes*—CJ Dominello & Chloe Ross

## Our Northminster Family at Work

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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*

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