

# SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

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## NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JULY 9, 2017

FIFTH 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

*A Quiet Meditation on Psalm 63*

Joe Utterback

#### A Thought as You Prepare for Worship

*"The disappearance of old structures...of cultural order causes us to experience the world as falling apart. A keen sense of God's powerful protective presence permits us to experience and embrace even that disorder with freedom and equanimity.... God is faithful, God is present, God is powerful. Nothing else matters in the face of that sure reality."*

—Walter Brueggemann

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in presence of our loving God,

***Who knows us when we wake up and when we slumber,  
and in all the moments in between.***

We gather in this place we call a house of God,

***Who has created a family for us here, as well as in Boston,  
Ramallah, and Juba.***

We gather to be people of God,

***Who appeals to us to follow in love, in faith and in service.  
Let us worship God!***

*Today's service is designated a "Service of Word and Sacrament" because we share communion and we will be celebrating the baptism of Katherine Morgan Bristol, daughter of Becky and Jon and grand-daughter of Rita and Bob Bailey. Katherine was born on June 13, 2015. We are thrilled to welcome Katherine Morgan into the family of Jesus Christ.*

*As asterisk \* indicates that you are invited to stand in body or in Spirit as you feel led and are able. Please join in speaking or singing all words printed in **bold italics**.*

*Ramallah is a city in the West Bank of Jerusalem. Juba is the capital of South Sudan. Both cities have been places of conflict for many years.*

OPENING PRAYER

\*SHARING THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

***And also with you.***

*This week in Sunday School, Northminster's youngest will learn about the Ten Commandments from Exodus 20:1-17.*

*At Northminster, Baptisms are now celebrated immediately before the proclamation of the Word to remind us that before any action we might take to seek God's grace and blessing, it has already been given to us.*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD,  
CLAIMING THE PROMISE

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

Words of scripture: Galatians 3:27-29

NT, p. 189

Presentation of the candidate for baptism

QUESTIONS TO FAMILY, CONGREGATION & CHILDREN

RENUNCIATIONS OF EVIL

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

***I do.***

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

***I do.***

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

***I will, with God's help.***

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – THE APOSTLES' CREED

Purple, Page 35

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

BAPTISM

BLESSING, ANOINTING & PRESENTATION OF LIGHT

WELCOME OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Katherine has been received.... Let us welcome the newly baptized.

***With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.***

HYMN *I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry* Purple, No. 488

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***Word and words, O God, from the many, may we hear the One. Challenge and blessing, O God, from the cacophony, may we hear Your song of compassion, hope and peace. Amen.***

SERMON READING Psalm 46 OT, pp. 517-518

SERMON *Shall We Gather at the River*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OUR WORSHIPFUL WORK TOGETHER

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Call to Offering

Offertory *Movement II from Piccolo Concerto* A Vivaldi

\*Response *Doxology* Purple, No. 607

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Loving God, we come to you with gratitude, knowing that all we are and all we have is a gift from you. We offer our gifts of time, talent and treasure to you as an act of faith, to reflect our love for you and our neighbor. Help us to reach out to others as you, our God, have reached out to us. Amen.***

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

\*HYMN *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* Purple, No. 509

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Lift up you hearts.

***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is indeed right...

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

\*RESPONSE *Shall We Gather at the River* Verse 1, Purple, No. 375

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Psalm*

Herbert Howells

*The Chancel Flowers today are given to the Glory of God by  
Marilyn Woodman in memory of her husband, Dr. Forrest J. Woodman.*

*As you depart today,  
please remember that  
there are those who  
remain in a state of  
worshipful attention  
throughout the Postlude.*

## TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

*Preaching*—Rev. Michael D. Kirby

*Liturgist*—Rev. Jessica C. Gregory

*A Time with the Children*—Kimberly Gartner

*Musicians*—Dr. Christopher Owen, Paul Vander Weele, Sherry Kujala (piccolo)

*Ushers*—Tom Buess & Leslie Noble

*Acolytes*—Sydney & Chloe Ross

## Our Northminster Family at Work

### PROGRAM AND WORSHIP STAFF

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

Rev. Jessica C. 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*

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Lisa Martinez—*Sunday Nursery Supervisor*

Claudinette Voltaire—*Sunday Nursery Assistant*

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