

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 1, 2017

WORLD COMMUNION 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

Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing Sandra Eithun

A Thought as You Prepare for Worship Today

"Courage is the most important of all the virtues, because without courage you can't practice any other virtue consistently. You can practice any virtue erratically, but nothing consistently without courage."

~Maya Angelou

The rose in the chancel celebrates the birth of Houston Wilder Johnson, grandson to Ginny Johnson, son to Steve and Kara, and baby brother to Marney and Jett. Houston joined the world on September 5th. Together we celebrate that he is with us and thank God for the miracle of new life!

INTROIT

Sunrise Song

Ose Ayo

Translation: *Thank you God! Bring joy to the whole world!*

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

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

This week in Sunday School, Northminster's grade-schoolers will be learning about the Exodus of the Israelites from Egypt.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lamentations 3; Psalm 137

Sing to the Lord, whose mercy is from everlasting to everlasting!

But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are without?

Sing to the Lord, whose faithfulness renews us every morning!

But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are gone?

Sing to the Lord, who has not forgotten the melodies of salvation!

Let us remember the joy of the Lord, and sing a new song together!

*HYMN

Praise God for This Holy Ground

Purple, No. 405

*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

Verse 2, Purple, No. 451

Open My Eyes, That I May See

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Open our hearts and minds, O God, by the power of your Holy Spirit so that, as the word is read and proclaimed, we may hear your message with joy and respond with conviction and hope. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 2:23-25

OT, p. 50

SERMON READING

Exodus 3:1-15

OT, p. 50

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

You Want Me to Do What?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OUR WORSHIPFUL WORK TOGETHER

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Call to Offering

