

# SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

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## NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 5, 2017

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

TRIO: THE RESPONSIBILITY IS OURS!



### 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.*

#### A Prayer as You Prepare for Worship

*"In these days the affairs of the world are in a state of disturbance and wherever we turn our eyes we see nothing but horrible confusion. Grant that we may be attentive to your teaching...always seeking you."—John Calvin, 1557*

*Today's cover art is "Elijah under the Broom Tree" by an unknown Renaissance artist.*

*The rose in the chancel this morning celebrates the birth of Jack Robert Beckstedt, who joined the world on Wednesday October 25th. Parents Bob and Lauren are thrilled to welcome Jack into their family, as is proud grandmother Linda! We celebrate and give God thanks for the miracle of new life!*

PRELUDE

*God's Time Is the Best Time* (Mvmt 1)

J.S. Bach

Calvin's prayer is excerpted from one included in his commentary on passages from the Book of Daniel.

An \* 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 all text that appears in **bold italics**.

In Sunday School today, Northminster's youngest will be learning about how Queen Esther saved the Hebrew people, one of the great narratives of the Old Testament. The lesson is from Esther 2:5-18; 3:1-6; and 8:1-17.

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Adapted from re:worship blog*

In all our weakness and strength,  
with our youth-filled spirits and aging bodies,  
***we come to be your people, O God.***

Strong in faith and eager with questions,  
singing our praise and whispering our prayers,  
***we come to be your people, O God.***

Filled with saintly determination  
yet mindful of our human limitations,  
***we come to be your people, O God.***

Made strong in your endless love for us,  
we know ourselves to be yours and  
***we come to be your people, O God.***  
***May we truly become your people today. Amen.***

## \*HYMN

*For All the Saints*

Purple, No. 326

## \*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 1, Purple, No. 451

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***As we hear your Word read and proclaimed,  
Speak, Lord, to our speaking.  
Speak, Lord, to our listening.  
Speak, Lord, to our souls' deep understanding.  
Speak, Lord, to our transformed living today and  
forever. Amen.***

#### ANTHEM

*God's Time Is the Best Time* (Mvmt 2)

J.S. Bach

#### SERMON READING

1 Kings 19:1-18

OT, p. 326

#### SERMON

*We Are Yours, O God:  
We Are Your Bread for the World*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### SHARING OUR LIFE AND MINISTRY

ALL SAINTS' OBSERVANCE

*Northminster All Saints' Necrology  
Baptismal Commendations  
Prayer of Gratitude*

*Northminster people  
who have died since  
the last All Saints' Day:  
Marge Kellogg, Jim  
Wall, Etta May  
McElroy, Bob Enkey,  
Ann Curry Hemwall,  
Bill Haswell.*

RESPONSE      *God's Time Is the Best Time* (Mvmt 3)      J.S. Bach

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Call to Offering

Offertory      *God's Time Is the Best Time* (Mvmt 4)      J.S. Bach

\*Response      Verse 1, Purple, No. 700

*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

***O Generous God—we offer this portion of your  
bounty back to you and your church in gratitude and  
love—a love offered with all our heart, all our, soul,  
all our mind and all our strength. May all we offer  
here be used to lift up your Good News to those  
who need it most. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.***

\*HYMN      *O Day of Peace*      Purple, No. 373

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you***

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is indeed right... ..and ordinary unknown saints.

***You are the God of our mothers and fathers and our  
children to all generations.***

You, Everlasting One, ... 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.***

***Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest!***

Blessed are you... ..the mystery of the faith we proclaim:

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

Spirit of the living God...as you taught us to pray...

*This special All Saints'  
Communion liturgy is  
modified from one  
prepared for the  
church by the Office of  
Theology and  
Worship.*

*Today as a sign of our grateful response to God's grace, those who are able will come forward to receive communion by intinction. All of the bread is gluten free. All are invited to either dip their bread in the common cup or take and drink a cup of juice from the tray. Those who have difficulty coming forward will be served in their seats.*

If you leave during the Postlude, please show respect for those who remain to listen.

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RECEPTION OF THE ELEMENTS

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN *God Is Calling through the Whisper* Purple, No. 410

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*CHORAL RESPONSE *Amen*

POSTLUDE *Alle Menschen Mussen Sterben* J.S. Bach

*The Chancel Flowers today are given by Karen Boyaris, Jim, Peter and Jose Smith to the Glory of God and in loving memory and honor of their parents and grandparents.*

### TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

*Preaching*—Rev. Michael D. Kirby

*Liturgist*—Rev. Jessica C. Gregory

*A Time with the Children*—Kelly Brest van Kempen

*Musicians*—Dr. Christopher Owen, Paul Vander Weele, the Chancel Choir, NEIU Chamber Singers and University Chorus

*Choral Soloists*—Johanna Moffitt, soprano; Jackie King, alto; Steve Uliana, tenor; Gabriel Walker, baritone

*Instrumentalists*—Lyon Leifer, flute; Sherry Kujala, flute; Anna Steinhoff, gamba; Craig Trompeter, gamba; Olsksa Mycyk, cello

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

*Acolytes*—Nate & Theo Janes-Smith

### Our Northminster Family at Work

#### PROGRAM AND WORSHIP STAFF

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

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