

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

BANNER 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

Sarabande, Amazing Grace

John Kuzma

A Prayer as You Prepare for Worship

*Early and late, fill me with the spirit of peace,
so that I may find calm in the storms of the world
and quiet in the noise of this and every day,*

to be renewed for the service to which you have called me. Amen.

—Rev. Raymond Chapman, Univ. of London

INTROIT

Be Still and Know

D. Klotzbeacher

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 25

To you, O God, we lift up the spirit of our whole selves.

***O God, we trust unashamedly in you;
seeking that you be not ashamed of us;***

May we begin our covenantal journey of these next nine months together with our hearts tuned to your loving will;

***Teach us. Show us. Guide us in your paths.
Grow us to know your ways more clearly.***

You are the God of our salvation and the Sustainer of balance in our lives and in your creation.

***For you we wait. May your love, your will, your promises,
be our comfort and our guide. Amen.***

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

*Please join in on the liturgy printed in **bold italics**.*

We typically use "debtors" and "debtors" when reciting The Lord's Prayer.

This week in Sunday School Northminster's youngest are studying Noah and the flood from Genesis 9:6-9.

This Sunday we are celebrating the baptism of Zachary Everett Johannsson, son of Amber Allen and Dan Johannsson and little brother to Oliver and Adeline. Zachary was born on January 17, 2018 and we are thrilled to welcome him into this family of faith.

Because the children of the congregation play a role in making promises on behalf of the newly baptized, and to symbolize that God reaches out to claim us in love and grace before we can respond, we place the baptism early in the service, not as a response, but claiming the promise made in Christ before any action on our part.

*HYMN/PROCESSION OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show Purple, No. 33

*OPENING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*SHARING THE PEACE

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

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, p. 17

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

BAPTISM

BLESSING, ANOINTING & PRESENTATION OF LIGHT

WELCOME OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Zachary Everett 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 Borne Cry* Purple, No. 488

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Purple, No. 408, verse 1

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Spirit of Wisdom and Grace, grant us willing ears and open hearts that as your Word is read and proclaimed we may grow in understanding and be inspired to lives worthy of our calling as your beloved children. In your Name we pray, Amen.

FIRST READING

Genesis 6:5-22

OT, pp. 5-6

ANTHEM

Gloria

A. Vivaldi

Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria to God on high.

SERMON READING

Genesis 8:6-12; 9:8-17

OT, pp. 6-7

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Covenant and Chaos: We Are in This Together

Today we are beginning our 9-month journey through Year One of the Narrative Lectionary. Preaching texts will move roughly chronologically through the Old Testament between now and Christmas.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OUR WORSHIPFUL WORK TOGETHER

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Call to Offering

Offertory

Laudamus Te from "*Gloria*"

A. Vivaldi

Johanna Moffitt, soprano; Jackie King, alto

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.

We praise thee, we bless thee.

Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.

We worship thee, we glorify thee.

*Response

We Lift Our Voices

Purple, No. 710

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

God of grace, strengthen us, we pray, to be proclaimers of your love by all we do and say. May these gifts and our lives, which we offer in response to your love and your mercy, be used in fruitful ways to proclaim your love and power to all the world. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN *Let All Things Now Living* Purple, No. 37

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION *Amen*

POSTLUDE *Azmon* Paul Manz

*The Chancel Flowers today are given to the Glory of God by
Laurie McFarlane and Steve Davies in grateful remembrance of
Barbara and Bill Haswell.*

*If you leave during the
Postlude, please
remember some
remain in a prayerful
state of worship until it
concludes.*

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Preaching—Rev. Michael D. Kirby

Liturgist—Rev. Jessica C. Gregory

Musicians—Dr. Christopher Owen, Paul Vander Weele, the Chancel Choir

Soloists—Johanna Moffitt, soprano; Jackie King, alto;

Steve Uliana, tenor; Doug Balkin, bass

Ushers—Greg Boyer, Tom Buess, Andy Eloff, Leslie Noble

Acolytes—Calvin & Merritt Wooldridge

Our Northminster Family at Work

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