

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

GO FAITHFULLY

*HYMN 4

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

*Indicates the People Standing

Ushers

Emily Allen, Lynn Kirby, Stan Lanford, Bob Newman

Acolytes

Maggie Graybill, Audrey Hayes

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Christ's Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

June Eleventh the Year of Our Lord

Two Thousand Seventeen

Trinity Sunday

GATHER JOYFULLY

THE PRELUDE

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR PRAYER AND PREPARATION

Genesis 1:1-2:4a; II Corinthians 13:11-13

(Congregants are encouraged to read and reflect upon these passages as they prepare for worship.)

BUILDING THE BODY OF CHRIST

THE PASSING OF PEACE

THE GATHERING HYMN 403 *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

Open now thy gates of beauty, Zion let me enter there, Where my soul in joyful duty Waits for God who answers prayer; O how blessed is this place, filled with solace light, and grace.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

Congregants: His steadfast love endures forever.

Minister: Jesus calls us to go into the world

and make disciples.

Congregants: We bring to this world His love and His Spirit.

Minister: Let us worship God.

THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION (unison)

Our Heavenly Father, Rock of Ages,

God Almighty, Everlasting Lord,

Your fingers sculpt the sun and the moon

and curl the baby's ear.

Your Holy Spirit has come to the chaos

and created the world in Your name,

**giving each day and each creature Your purpose.
Savior, use us throughout our lives
to serve Your blessed Will.
Startle us daily with the grace and love
of Your unity amidst diversity,
that we may live to the praise
of Your majestic name.
Through Christ we pray. Amen.**

* HYMN 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)
**Gracious God, we seek Your forgiveness.
Too often we allow Living Water to become fouled.
We blame You for our troubles,
and wonder why we do not flourish
even as we follow paths away from You.
We seek that which we think serves our needs
rather than accepting the gifts of grace
offered from Your loving hand.
Forgive us, cleanse us, make us new, we pray.
Hear these our silent prayers.**

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Minister)
For we are convinced
that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor rulers,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Praise God!

*GLORIA PATRI Hymn 581
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is
now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

GROW SPIRITUALLY

THE FIRST LESSON Psalm 8

¹ O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens. ² Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have
founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger. ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established; ⁴ what are human beings that you are mindful of
them, mortals that you care for them? ⁵ Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and
crowned them with glory and honour. ⁶ You have given them dominion over the works of your
hands; you have put all things under their feet, ⁷ all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the
field, ⁸ the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. ⁹
O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we
forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is
the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

MUSIC VOLUNTARY

Jeff Midkiff

THE CHILDRENS MESSAGE / CHILDREN LEAVE FOR JP'S

THE SECOND LESSON Luke 4:14-21

¹⁴ Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him
spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵ He began to teach in their synagogues and was
praised by everyone. ¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the
synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the
prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:
¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the
oppressed go free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' ²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave
it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then
he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

THE SERMON

AN INTRUSIVE WORD

Dr. Russ Merritt

*HYMN 14

For the Beauty of the Earth

Announcements

THE NORTHMINSTER FAMILY SHARES ITS LOVE AND SUPPORT with The Maile family, and the Lemon family following the death of Nancy Maile this past week. We praise God for His many blessings, including the assurance of Nancy's heavenly welcome.

Ushers for June 18, 2017 – Allen Kling, Lynn Kirby, Greg Theimer, Ray Williams

We want to thank Dana Esworthy for helping the youth put together our Youth Sunday on June 4th. It is always nice to have the youth share their love of God and their many talents with our congregation.

Today we are collecting the Pentecost Offering, the second of our four special offerings. Please review today's insert for information on how the funds are used, and remember 40% of the amount collected stays with our church for programs for at risk youth. Thank you for your contribution!

We are unable to locate our Coffee Pot Urn, if you have borrowed it can you please return it back to the Church.

Our Summer Worship Service will begin at 10:30 AM, starting on June 4th and continue through August 31st, No Sunday School classes during these months.

Join us from Sunday, July 9- Tuesday, July 11th for our Vacation Bible School. On July 9th, we will provide chicken and ask everyone to bring their favorite side dish or dessert. Dinner will start at 5:30 with Bible school starting around 6. This year's theme is Created by God. Please make plans to join us. If you are willing to help, let Lynn Kirby know.

Northminster Presbyterian is celebrating our 75th anniversary in 2017. The worship committee is planning a homecoming celebration on Sunday, October 1st with a special service and luncheon to follow the service. If you have a special person you want to be invited, please give the name and address to Judy Ferrell. When we have finalized the plans, we will let everyone know!!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS to help provide transportation to church each Sunday for some of our members who could not otherwise attend. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact the Minister.

"Devotional booklets and daily scripture reading guides can be found in the hallway outside the fellowship hall in the new wall racks and on the table. Current and past copies of devotional booklets including, *These Days* and *The Upper Room* are available. Please help yourself to any of these excellent publications."

The 2017 Flower Calendar has been placed on the bulletin board outside the Church Office.

Calendar

Today	10:30 am	Summer Worship
Monday	6:00 pm	C.E. Committee Meeting
Tuesday	10:00 am	Circle 1
Wednesday	3:00 pm	Mission Committee Meeting
Next Sunday	10:30 am	Summer Worship

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Russ Merritt, Interim Minister	Melissa Hudson, Music Director
Susie Tallmage, Secretary	Lauren Godsey, Nursery Attendant

Let us keep those listed below in our prayers.

Members

Bobby Brammer	Kara Moretz Campbell	Eloise Dunagan
Barry Ferrell	Tom Hale	Michael Hambrick
Jake Hayes	Betty Hinkle	Rose Howard
Atwood Huff	Mary Ann Huff	Jim Maile
Jace Newman	Mac Pace	Sandy Smith
Frances Stevens	George Wingeier	Shirley Wynn

Friends and Family

Hayley Gutherie – (Grand-daughter of Sheila Gutherie)
Cindy Lanford – (daughter-in-law of Stan and Elise Lanford)

*THE SESSION *

Clerk of Session: Holly Woodson

Class of 2017: Lynn Kirby, Judy Ferrell, Matt Graybill, Bob Newman, Dave Snider

Class of 2018: Dana Esworthy, Barry Ferrell, Jyke Jones, Stan Lanford, Ann Pace

Class of 2019: Margie Cundiff, John Kabana, Allen Kling, Sarah Plymale,
Holly Woodson

