

The Table
of the Lord



Northminster Presbyterian Church

Welcomes You to Worship

**16th Sunday
Ordinary Time**

July 18, 2010

10:00 A.M.

The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements (pass attendance roster)

Pastoral Prayer

***Call to Worship**

Lois Shroyer

Leader: God has called us to this place.
What do you see?

People: We see people who model for us God's joyous embrace of all people.

Leader: God has brought us to this place.
What do you hear?

People: We hear God's hope that we are able to see each person as our sister or brother.

Leader: God has challenged us to open our lives and hearts to others.
What will you do?

People: We will do only one thing: welcome everyone in God's name!

***Hymn No. 467** *"How Great Thou Art" (verses 1,2,3,4)*

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Confession (unison)

In the mirror we call scripture, Revealing God, we see ourselves for who we are and are not. We whine about those who are not doing what we think they should, and ignore our failings. We speak words which nibble away at the life in our family and friends. We step over the poor on our way to get more and more, ignoring their needs.

Forgive us, Reconciling Love. Sit us down at Jesus' feet, so we may learn the balanced life you intend for us. Then, and only then, we can set aside our grudges, to offer our gifts to our neighbors; we can stop licking at our hurts, to bring healing to others; we can reach out and welcome our sisters and brothers, even as we have been welcomed into your heart through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silence is kept for individual confession of sin
Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Christ Jesus comes to reconcile us to God, so we can be reconciled to one another. Recreated in God's image, we are made whole.

People: When we are in Christ, everything becomes new. Our past is just that - our past!

Leader: Do you really believe this - that your past is done, and you are a new person? If so, go out and reflect it in your life.

People: Thanks be to God! We will go forth and live as reconciled people. Amen.

***Response of Praise**

GLORIA PATRI

*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.*

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer Response

*O Lord hear our prayer, O Lord hear our prayer,
when we call answer us.*

*O Lord hear our prayer, O Lord hear our prayer,
come and listen to us.*

Special Music

"In This Very Room"

Sharon Stout

Children's Time and the Lord's Prayer (debts and debtors)

Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 18:1-15

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

People: Thanks be to God

New Testament Lesson

Luke 10:38-42

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon

“Higher Learning”

Rev. Dwight McCormick II

Commissioning of Youth and Adult Leaders for Mission Trip

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Response of Praise**

DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Savior, Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

Provider God, help us to see our wealth. Help us in turn examine how we are stewards of that which you have given us. Give us wisdom to give generously, and live justly. Help these offerings be managed with hearts and minds committed to serving the world with the Grace of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn No. 514** *“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”*

Celebration of Communion (See Insert)

***Hymn No. 513** *“Let Us Break Bread Together”*

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

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*Those who are able are invited to stand.

**We invite you to stay for fellowship
in the Family Room following worship.**

*Our songs of praise were more joyful today
because your voice joined ours—
Please come again.*