



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 14, 2013

Northminster Presbyterian Church

Welcomes You to Worship

Ordinary
Time

July 14, 2013

10:00 A.M.

The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Invocation

***Call to Worship**

Diana Schneider

Leader: Blessed is God, who created us and loves us beyond measure.

**People: Blessed is God, who calls us to stop measuring
out our love.**

Leader: Blessed is God, who speaks and tells us stories about ourselves.

**People: Blessed is God, who reveals to us who we are
and who we could be.**

Leader: Blessed is God, whose compassion is poured out
on every single person.

**People: Blessed is God, who gives us compassion to share with
every single person, even people we do not know or care
about.**

***Hymn of the Month No. 173** "This Holy Covenant Was Made" Green Hymnal

Call to Reconciliation

Unison Prayer of Confession

They may not be beaten down or lying by the road, but there are people we pass by, Watching God. Some are family and friends we take so much for granted we can not see how we have stripped them of our love and compassion. Others are neighbors who have been left half-dead by crushing work; who have fallen into the hands of despair; who have been abandoned by all those who walked on by them. Many are strangers, people we don't know, but quickly judge: they are weak, or poor, or the enemy or because they remind us of whom we once were, or could become.

Rescue us from the power of our sins, Righteous One of all generations. Pour out your justice on us, rather than your judgment, that we would be moved with pity, and spurred to action; that we would hear of the hope that is ours, and share it with our sisters and brothers; that we would shower mercy on all we meet, even as we have received forgiveness for our sins through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

*Please remain in prayer silently confessing your personal sin.
Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Children of the Most High: you are forgiven and brought into the kingdom. Be filled with spiritual wisdom, lead lives worthy of your inheritance, bear fruit in all you say and do and think.

**People: God has rescued us and redeemed us from our sins,
setting aside judgment to shower us with mercy.
We will go and do likewise. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Congregational Response

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.*

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer Response

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer;
when I call answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer;
come and listen to me.*

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise.

All my hope comes from God.

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise.

God, the well-spring of life.

Special Music

Josh Heffner, trumpet

Children's Time

First Reading

Amos 7:1-17

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

People: Thanks be to God

Second Reading

Luke 10:25-37

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon

Rev. Dwight McCormick II

***Hymn No. 514**

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

Blue Hymnal

Invitation to the Offering

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Response of Praise**

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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**

O Lord, we rejoice with thankful hearts, that you have given us this beautiful world in which to work and play—a world full of your wisdom and majesty; we offer praise with deepest gratitude, that you have blessed us with your bounty.

Please accept a portion of the blessing you have given to us. Use these offerings and tokens of our devotion: to increase wisdom in the world, to protect the created order, to bless the vulnerable, to heal the sick, and to comfort the afflicted. Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper (see insert)

***Hymn No. 379**

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

Blue Hymnal

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

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*Those who are able are invited to stand.

Please stay for fellowship in the family room following worship.

Thank you to Rev. Thom Shuman for his ongoing creativity in providing us with liturgy for our worship services. His take on the weekly lectionary lessons adds to our worship.