

Minute for Mission

Carol Emerich

One Great Hour of Sharing

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

“Sostenuto”

SURAYNSKI

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.

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

We are pretty sure we have nothing to offer to others, but when we begin to think like Jesus, we see the blessings we have, those who need your grace, your hope, your love in their lives, and join in bringing need and grace together. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn No. 89**

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Blue Hymnal

***Choral Blessing**

“May the Peace of God”

LARSON

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

“Variations on Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

CALLAHAN

Special thanks to Rev. Thom M. Shuman of lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com for today's liturgies

***Those who are able are invited to stand.**

Please stay for fellowship following worship.

You made our worship better by being here.

First time visitors please pick up your gift on the visitor's table to the right as you exit the sanctuary.

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Northminster Presbyterian Church

April 14, 2019 Welcomes You to Worship Palm Sunday 10:00 A.M.

Ministers: Everyone in the Congregation
The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

Prelude “Exultation” INGRAM
Northminster Bell Choir

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Invocation and the Lord’s Prayer

Introit “O Wondrous Love” CARTER

***Call to Worship** Joe Stalder

Leader: Give thanks! God’s love is constant and devoted to us.
People: Let us say over and over: God’s hope is unending in caring for us.
Leader: Give thanks, O give thanks! Justice is the gate God opens to all.
People: Let us say over and over: God hears the cries of those who are forgotten.
Leader: Give thanks, O give thanks, people of God! God comes to bring us new life.
People: Let us say this over and over: God takes the stone tossed aside by us to build the foundation of salvation.

***Hymn No. 88** “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” Blue Hymnal

Call to Confession Joe Stalder

Unison Prayer of Confession

We are so busy thinking about ourselves, God of constant love, that we cannot begin to ponder what was in Jesus’ mind. We shout for joy on a day like this, smiling as we wave our palms, yet quickly toss them aside as we go out into the world. We harden our faces, not in discipleship, but to turn away those who come looking for help from us. Yet, because he was fully human like us, God of unfailing compassion, we too can be more like Jesus. So, as we begin our journey through Holy Week and beyond, may we choose humility over pride, weakness over strength, compassion over bully, and seek to do whatever we are called to do, without any promise of reward. We pray this in the name of our Teacher, Jesus. Amen.

Silence is kept for individual confession of sins
Leader: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Joe Stalder
Leader: God dares us to think like Jesus, knowing that if we do, we will discover the gifts we can offer, the words of hope we can share, the grace we can use to bless those around us.
People: God hears our prayers, listens to our hearts, fills us with forgiveness, and walks with us in these moments and in all the ones to come. Thanks be to God for such incredible mercy! Amen.

***Response of Praise** “Glory Be to the Father”
*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

*I am strength for all the despairing
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see; the lame will all run free,
And all will know my name.
Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine.*

Anthem “Lift High the Palms” MARTIN

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 50:4-9a
Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
People: Thanks be to God

Second Reading New Testament Lesson Luke 19:28-40
Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
People: Thanks be to God

Sermon Rev. Dwight McCormick

Invitation to Discipleship

The Nicene Creed—Ecumenical—Page 15 Blue Hymnal or refer to the screen

***Hymn No. 464** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” Blue Hymnal