

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**

Some bear crosses hollowed out by hunger, some carry crosses called injustice. Sometimes our abundance is a cross which we struggle to bear. But as we learn to follow you, as we seek to be as generous as you, we discover that we can gift others with hope, with grace, and with peace. Receive our offerings this day, so they might bless your children in every way imaginable. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Communion (please refer to the liturgy insert or the screen)

Invitation
Great Prayer of Thanksgiving
Communion
Prayer after Communion

*Hymn No. 245	“As We Gather at Your Table”	Green Hymnal
*Choral Blessing	“Go Now in Peace”	BESIG
*Benediction		
*Postlude	“Now Thank We All Our God”	WIDMAR

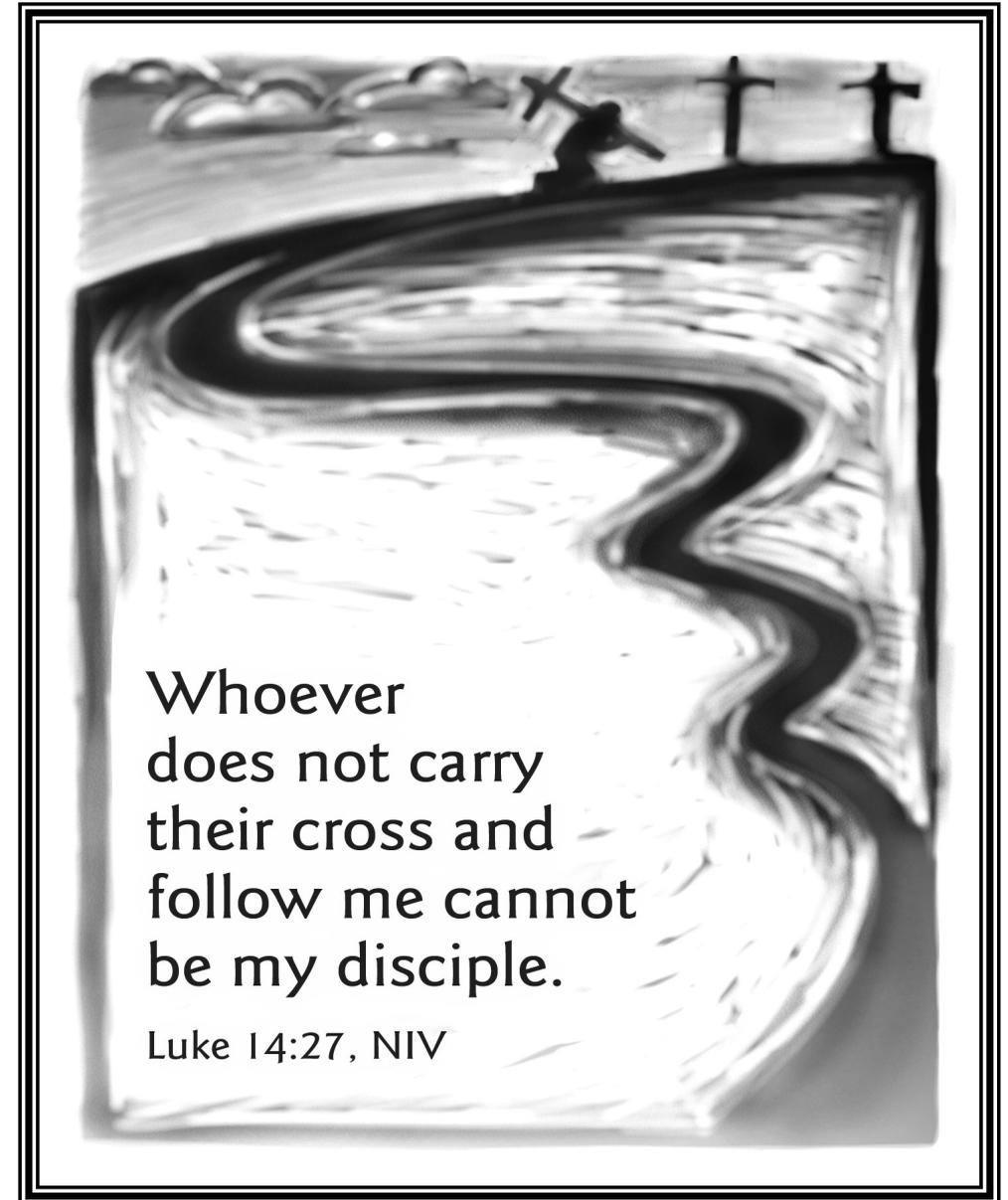
Special thanks to Rev. Thom M. Shuman of lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com for today's liturgies

***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.
Please leave your contact information in the burgundy pew pads.*



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday, September 8, 2019

Northminster Presbyterian Church

September 8, 2019 Welcomes You to Worship
13th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m.
Ministers: Everyone in the Congregation
The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

Prelude “Meditation” KEEBLE

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Invocation and the Lord’s Prayer

Introit “Come Into the Holy of Holies” SELLERS

***Call to Worship** Judy Heaton

Leader: We gather in the presence of God:

People: who knows us when we wake up and when we go to sleep, and in all the moments in between.

Leader: We gather in the house of God:

People: who has created a family for us, here as well as in Aleppo, in Brussels, and in Nashville.

Leader: We gather to be the people of God:

People: who appeals to us to follow in love, in faith, in service.

Hymn “Come to the Table of Grace” Please refer to the screen

Call to Confession Judy Heaton

Unison Prayer of Confession

Searching God, we are so attached to our possessions, we have trouble sharing them. We are so connected to our pleasures that we cannot feel the pain of those around us. We are so stuck on ourselves, we cannot sense our souls slipping away into the shadows.

Most merciful God: loosen us from the grip of the world, so we may feel your healing touch. Sever us from our sin, so your Spirit might bind us to you. Reshape us, redeem us, renew us, so we may take up our crosses and follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Silence is kept for individual confession of sins

Leader: Amen

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The God who calls us is the God who created us; the God who formed us is the God who forgives us. This is the Good News - we are God's new creation.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are reshaped, renewed, forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Judy Heaton

*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.*

Special Music “Op. 68 No. 30” R. SCHUMANN

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading Old Testament Lesson Jeremiah 18:1-11

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

People: Thanks be to God

Second Reading New Testament Lesson Luke 14:25-33

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon Rev. Dwight McCormick

Invitation to Discipleship

***Hymn No. 333** “Seek Ye First” Blue Hymnal

Invitation to the Offering
Offertory “Air” BATTISHILL