

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

“Moderato”

SCHUMANN

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**

Let us not keep our treasures stored in the mountaintops of our fears of how others might use them, but pour them out so they might be used to transform all those who find themselves in the valleys of hunger, of loss, of loneliness, and of injustice. This we ask in the name of your Beloved. Amen.

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

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion

Prayer after Communion

***Hymn No. 128**

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Green Hymnal

***Benediction**

Leader: God sends us from this experience of worship to serve all those around us.

People: **We will go to take the light of hope into the shadowed corners in our midst.**

Leader: Jesus, the Beloved, invites us to join him in everyday life, in everyday service.

People: **We will go to be blessed by all those overlooked by the world.**

Leader: Glory’s Spirit takes us by the hand to lead us down the path of humility.

People: **We will enter into the mists of mistrust, so we can offer hope to many.**

***Choral Blessing**

“Go Now in Peace”

BESIG

***Postlude**

“Agincourt Hymn”

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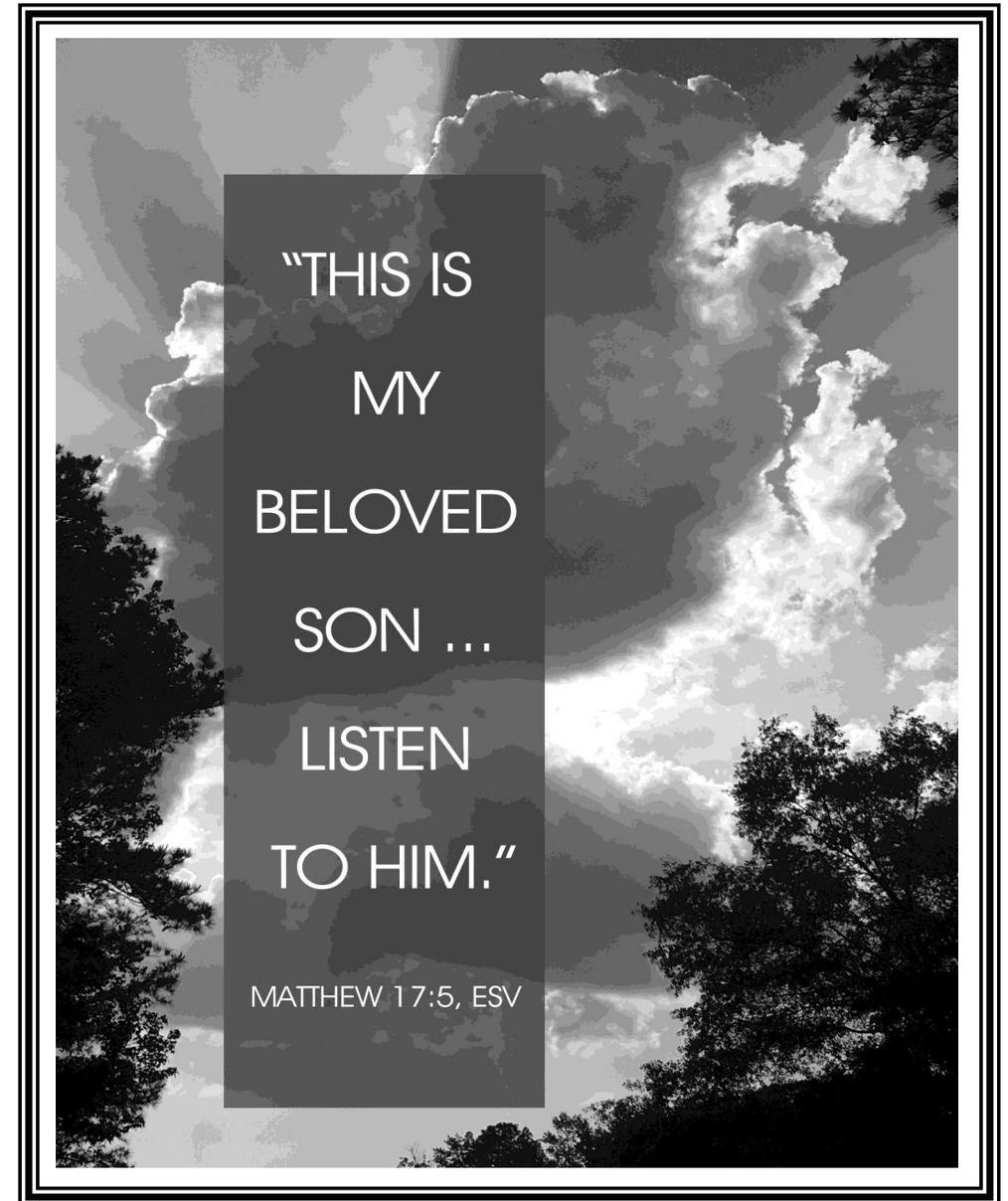
***Those who are able are invited to stand.**

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, February 23, 2020

Northminster Presbyterian Church

Welcomes You to Worship

February 23, 2020

Transfiguration of the Lord

10:00 a.m.

Ministers: Everyone in the Congregation

The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

Prelude “Praeludium in C” JS BACH

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Invocation and the Lord’s Prayer

Introit “Light of the World” CARTER

***Call to Worship** Terry Rigio

Leader: It is good to be here in this sacred space,

People: in the shelter of God’s love and hope.

Leader: It is good to be here with folks we know well, as well as with new friends,

People: joining with all of God’s beloved, sisters and brothers of Jesus.

Leader: It is good to be here, where we can hear God’s voice,

People: calling us to be eyewitnesses to the Spirit’s presence.

***Hymn No. 462** “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies” Blue Hymnal

Call to Confession Terry Rigio

Unison Prayer of Confession

Our judgment often becomes clouded by our foolishness, Sheltering God, and so we make all the wrong choices. We let fancy philosophies draw us away from your grace. The flowery words of politicians can lead us into valleys of worry and despair. Our fears can convince us that those around us are conspiring against us.

You can take all our foolishness, Creative God, and make us wise enough to see you among us. You take the shards of our broken lives to recast us into a faithful people. You speak gently to us, so we can listen to your dreams of our seeing each person as your beloved, even as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, sees us through such eyes.

Silence is kept for individual confession of sins

Leader: Amen

Assurance of Pardon Terry Rigio

Leader: On mountaintops and in valleys, in moments when our lives are shrouded, and as well as when we reflect Christ’s light, God is with us, declaring we are the beloved!

People: In this moment, in every moment, may we glimpse the grace of God which comes and transfigures our lives. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! 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

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Sung 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 “O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair” arr. PAHR

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading Old Testament Lesson Exodus 24:12-18

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

People: Thanks be to God

Second Reading New Testament Lesson Matthew 17:1-9

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon “Conversion Conversation”

Invitation to Discipleship

Hymn “Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain” Please refer to the screen, remain seated