

Northminster Presbyterian Church

Welcomes You to Worship

September 27, 2020

17th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m.

Ministers: Everyone in the Congregation

The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

Assurance of Pardon

Bob Triebelhorn

Leader: Plant this good news deep in your thoughts: God loves you; God forgives you; God strengthens you for service.

People: **May God's compassion make us more passionate to serve; may God's forgiveness make us more merciful; may God's love make us more loving to everyone. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Prayer of Illumination

First Reading

Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 17:1-7

Leader: Hear now what The Spirit is saying to The Church

People: **Thanks be to God**

Second Reading

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 21:23-32

Leader: Hear now what The Spirit is saying to The Church

People: **Thanks be to God**

Special Music

“Pastorale”

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Sermon

“Authority Figures”

Responding to the Word

Stewardship Reminder (offering plate at the back of sanctuary as you exit)
Special ongoing offering for Clifton Avenue Food Pantry—use oatmeal box on the table

Affirmation of Faith—Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn No. 89

“Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness”

Green Hymnal

Benediction

Closing Chorus

“Go Now in Peace”

BESIG

Postlude

“Fughetta”

JS BACH

Prelude

“Praeludium in C”

JS BACH

Welcome and Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship

Bob Triebelhorn

Leader: We come, so God can teach us goodness and love for each person

People: **We will complete God's love by having the same compassion as God.**

Leader: We come, so Jesus can lead us into lives of service and obedience.

People: **We will complete Jesus' hopes by putting others before ourselves.**

Leader: We come, so the Spirit can help us to empty ourselves for God and those around us.

People: **We will complete the Spirit's peace by sharing our lives with others.**

Hymn No. 345

“In an Age of Twisted Values”

Glory to God

Call to Confession

Bob Triebelhorn

Unison Prayer of Confession

We could do what you hope, God of our salvation, but we get so distracted, we don't. We continue to fill ourselves with temptation's empty calories, and wonder why we are still hungry. We put ourselves first, and so never notice those behind us who struggle in life.

Forgive us, Mercy of our lives. May we complete your love by caring deeply for those who make life so difficult for us. May we complete your hope, by reaching out to those in need. May we complete your grace, by emptying ourselves for all around us, just as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, did for us.

Silence is kept for individual confession of sins

Leader: Amen

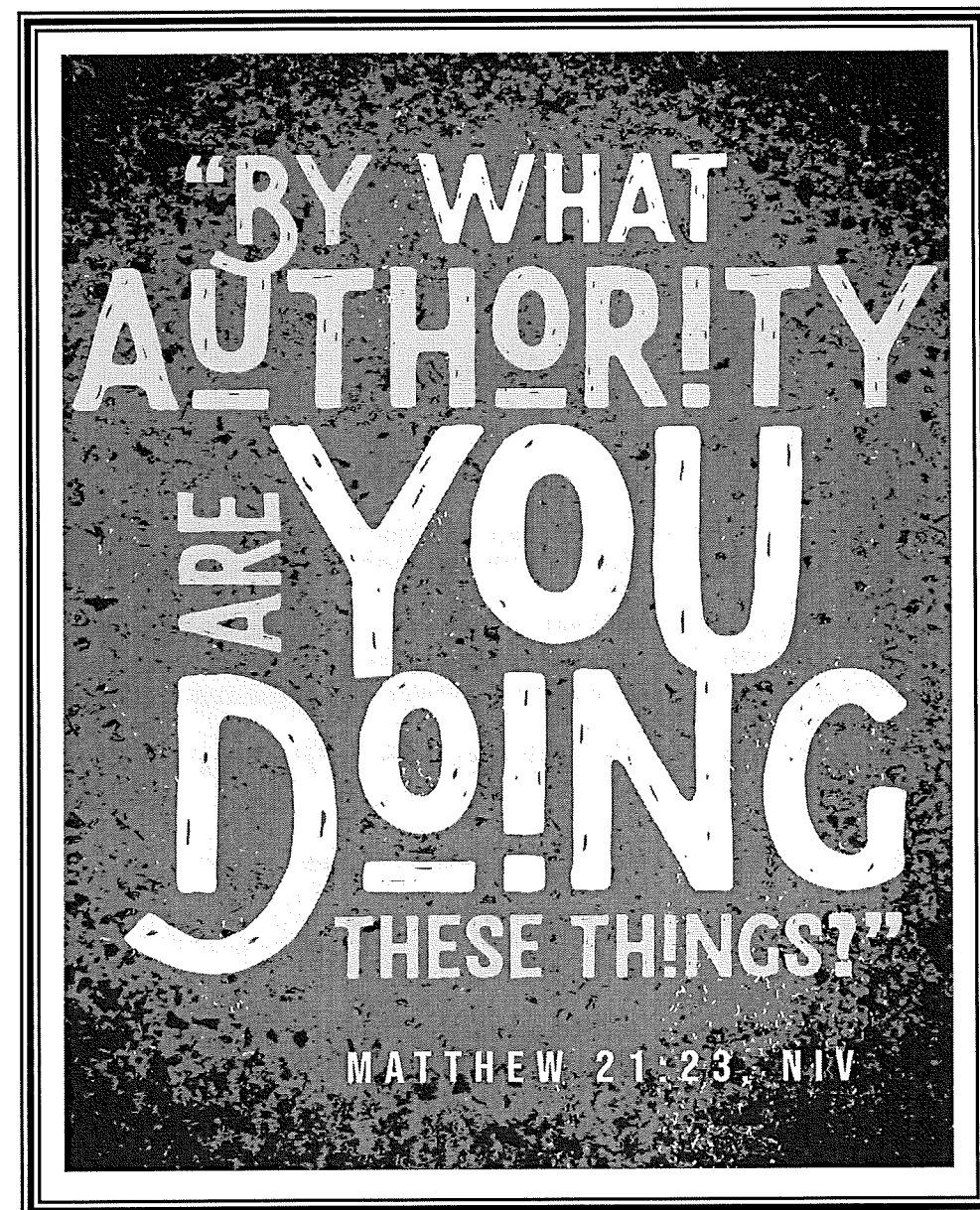
Thank you to David Hapner and Dawn White for leading us in song

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

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