

Northminster Presbyterian Church

Welcomes You to Worship

February 21, 2021

1st Sunday in Lent

10:00 a.m.

Ministers: Everyone in the Congregation

The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

Prelude "Adorn Thyself My Soul" CALLAHAN

Welcome and Opening Prayer

***Call to Worship** Cathy Reid

Leader: O God, we lift up our souls and put our trust in you.

People: Make us to know your ways, O Lord; teach us your paths.

Leader: O God, lead us in your truth, and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation; for you we wait all day long.

People: God leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble God's way.

Hymn "Sign Us with Ashes" Glory to God

Call to Confession Cathy Reid

Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess our complicity in the divisions that have wounded our country and our world. We have turned aside from your way. We have failed to love you and our neighbor, neglected justice and ignored your truth. Forgive us and restore in us your Spirit of compassion and justice-seeking love. Amen.

Silence is kept for individual confession of sins

Leader: Amen

Assurance of Pardon Cathy Reid

Leader: God in Christ is steadfast in love and mercy. So friends, hear the good news of the gospel. In Christ we are forgiven and set free from the sins that bind and enslave us.

People: We are empowered to love God with all of who we are, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Thanks be to God.

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Prayer of Illumination

First Reading Old Testament Lesson Psalm 25
Leader: Hear now what The Spirit is saying to The Church
People: Thanks be to God

Second Reading New Testament Lesson Mark 1:9-15
Leader: Hear now what The Spirit is saying to The Church
People: Thanks be to God

Special Music "Make Me a Servant" WILLARD

Sermon "Beloved" Rev. Kathleen Burslem

Responding to the Word

Stewardship Reminder

Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

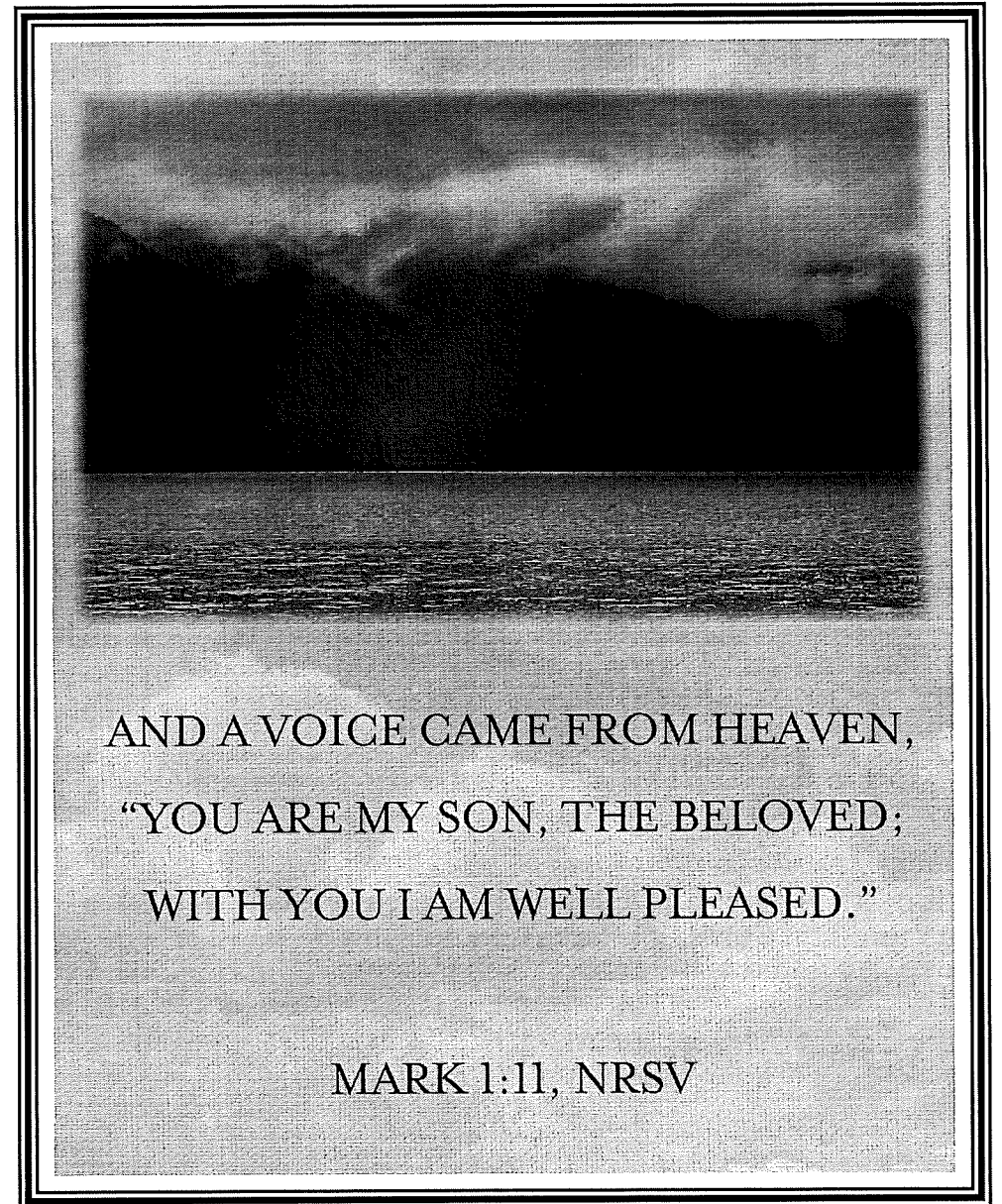
In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" Glory to God

Benediction

Closing Chorus "Go Now in Peace" BESIG

Postlude "Fughetta" JS BACH



MARK 1:11, NRSV

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

Today's liturgy is provided by Rev. Roger Gench of The Presbyterian Outlook

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