

Northminster Presbyterian Church

Welcomes You to Worship

August 29, 2021

14th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m.

Ministers: Everyone in the Congregation

The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

Prelude

“Canzoni di Danza”

PASQUINI

Welcome and Opening Prayer

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Let us not deceive ourselves.

People: Let us look at ourselves in the mirror.

Leader: Let us look at ourselves in light of God’s law.

People: Let us be quick to listen and slow to speak.

Leader: Let us worship God.

David Hapner

Hymn

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Glory to God

Call to Confession

David Hapner

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy God, your truth is oftentimes hard to hear. We confess our avoidance, our purposeful distractions, our prideful arrogance that keeps us from hearing and responding to your Word. Although you send us messages and messengers, we dismiss and disregard those who tell us we are wrong. Have mercy upon us, Holy God. Open us to hearing the truth no matter how it is conveyed.

Silence is kept for individual confession of sins

Leader: Amen

Assurance of Pardon

David Hapner

Leader: Hear the Good News! Who is in a position to condemn?

People: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

People: Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Joys and Concerns (Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer)

Pastoral Prayer and Prayer of Illumination

Meditation

“Arioso in G”

JS BACH

First Reading

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9

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

People: Thanks be to God

Second Reading

New Testament Lesson

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon

“Purification”

Rev. Dwight McCormick

Responding to the Word

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Stewardship Reminder

Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God’s commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

Hymn

“As a Chalice Cast of Gold”

Glory to God

Benediction

Closing Chorus

“Go Now in Peace”

BESIG

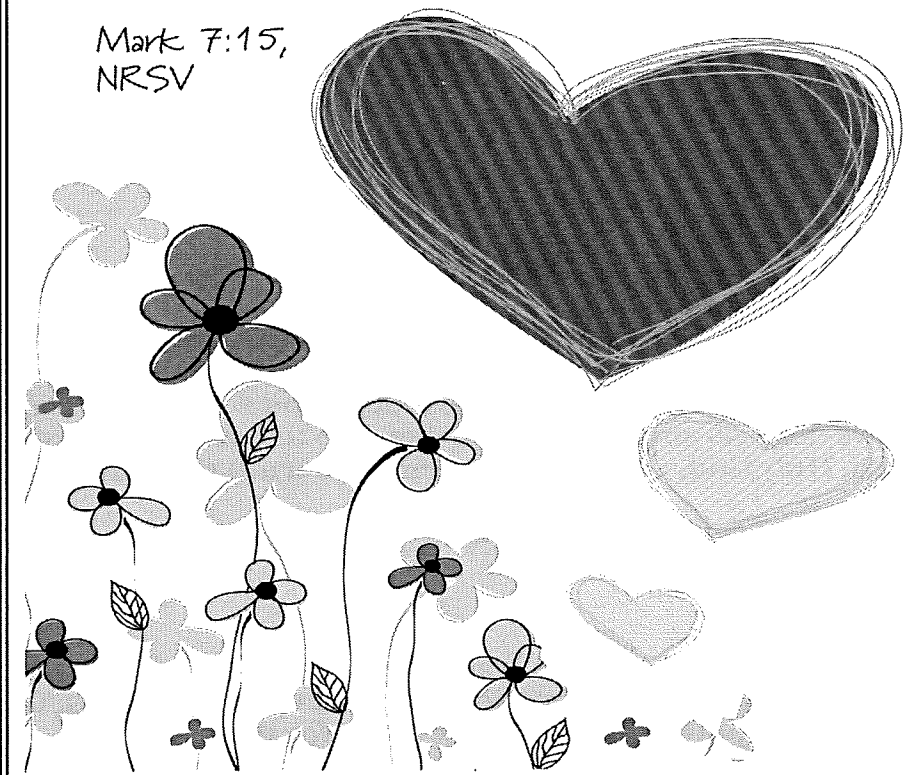
Postlude

“Ballet Anglois”

JKF FISCHER

There is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.

Mark 7:15,
NRSV



Thank you to David Hapner for leading us in song

Today's liturgy is provided by Teri McDowell Ott
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