

# Northminster Presbyterian Church

*Welcomes You to Worship*

September 26, 2021

18th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m.

Ministers: Everyone in the Congregation

The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

**Prelude** "Praeludium in C" JS BACH

## Welcome and Opening Prayer

**\*Call to Worship** Ruth George

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God,  
**People: and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.**

Leader: We turn to our Creator in praise and thanksgiving.

**People: We gather for Word and worship.**

**Hymn** "The Church's One Foundation" Glory to God

**Call to Confession** Ruth George

## Unison Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, you call us to service and work that cannot be done alone. Yet we overburden ourselves, and our egos keep us from asking for help. Forgive our false show of strength. Humble us in leadership. Help us to acknowledge that the gifts we have been given in the Body of Christ include hands of help and support.**

*Silence is kept for individual confession of sins*

Leader: Amen

**Assurance of Pardon** Ruth George

Leader: God lifts the weary, lightens the load of those overly burdened, supports and strengthens those who have been knocked down.

**People: Claim the forgiveness God so graciously offers. Know the new life Christ has given us. Amen.**

## Gloria Patri (spoken not sung)

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** "River in Judea" MARCUS/FELDMAN

**First Reading** Old Testament Lesson Psalm 19:7-14

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

**People: Thanks be to God**

**Second Reading** New Testament Lesson James 5:13-20

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

**People: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon** "Pray, Pray, Pray" Rev. Dwight McCormick

## Responding to the Word

### Doxology (spoken not sung)

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** (The offering plate is located outside the sanctuary on the table by the door)

## Affirmation of Faith (A Brief Statement of Faith)

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

**Hymn** "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" Glory to God  
*Verses 1-4*

## Benediction

**Closing Chorus** "Go Now in Peace" BESIG  
*Duet by John Digel and Sarah Miller*

**Postlude** "Fughetta" JS BACH



Flowers lovingly provided by Marisa Digel, daughter-in-law of Janet Digel.



*Paying  
Tribute*

Due to Covid-19 restrictions last Fall, the church family and Janet Digel's family did not get to have a service together in her memory. Therefore, we are honoring Janet as part of worship this morning. The hymns and special music chosen today were some of Janet's favorites. Janet's children John and Sarah will be singing "Go Now in Peace" at the conclusion of our service. Please join the family for light refreshments immediately following worship.

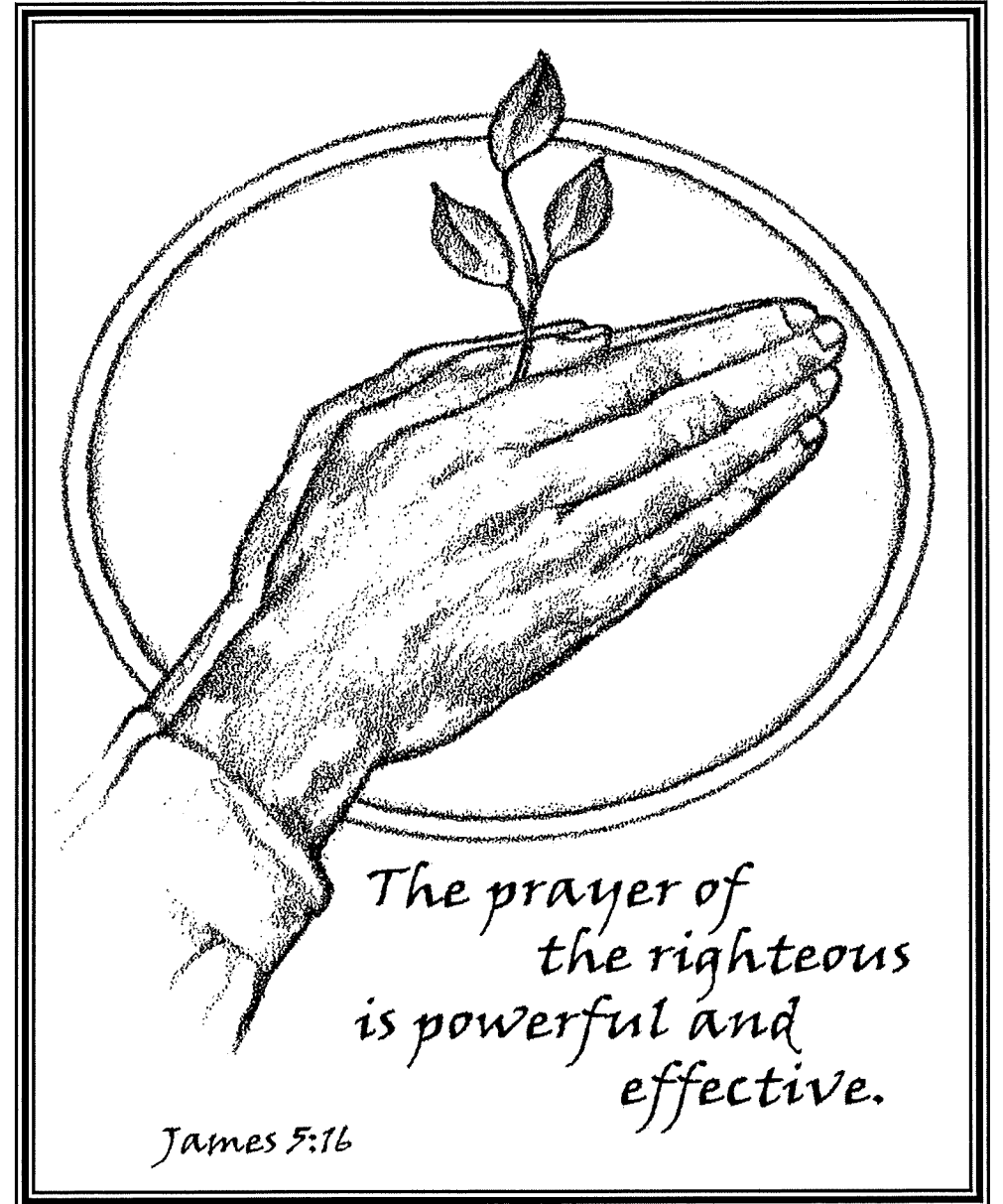
Thank you to David Hapner and Dawn White for leading us in song

Today's liturgy is provided by Teri McDowell Ott  
and The Presbyterian Outlook

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*The prayer of  
the righteous  
is powerful and  
effective.*

*James 5:16*

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