



NORTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

...making disciples, growing in faith together and serving others in Christ

August 2, 2026

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30AM

Chimes

Welcome

Prelude

I Am the Bread of Life

Suzanne Toolan

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship – Psalm 95:1-2

**O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise
to the rock of our salvation!**

**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him
with songs of praise!**

Hymn (standing)

You Are the Way, the Truth, the Life
Based on John 14:6

George Washington Doane
St. Anne; arr. William Croft

1. You are the Way; through You a - lone can we the Fa - ther find; in
2. You are the Truth; Your Word a - lone true wis - dom can im - part; You
3. You are the Life; the emp - ty tomb pro - claims Your con-qu'ring arm, and
4. You are the Way, the Truth, the Life; grant us that way to know, that

You, O Christ, has God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.
on - ly can in - form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart.
those who put their trust in You nor death nor hell shall harm.
truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Scripture – Selections from John 12, 13 & 14

Sermon – The Way, The Truth, and The Life

David M. Kenney, Sr.

Hymn No. 494 (seated)

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

Call to Confession

Prayers of Confession – adapted from Psalm 17:1, 6 and Mark 16:15

**Merciful and Loving God,
we confess that we know the Way, the Truth, the Life,
but sometimes we choose:
to follow destructive paths,
to speak in delusion, and
to ignore lessons You have for us.
Forgive us, O God:
when we disregard Your direction
to go into the world and proclaim the Gospel to all of creation,
when we know the right thing to do but do the wrong thing instead,
and when we refuse to recognize
how You illuminate our darkest moments.
Hear a just cause, O Lord;
attend to our cries;
give ear to our prayers, Lord,
which we speak from lips free of deceit.
We call upon You, for You will answer us, O God;
incline Your ear to us; hear our words.**

[silent prayer]

Affirmation of Faith – from the *Presbyterian 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.**

Response No. 581 (seated)

Glory Be to the Father

Passing the Peace

Announcements and Invitations

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

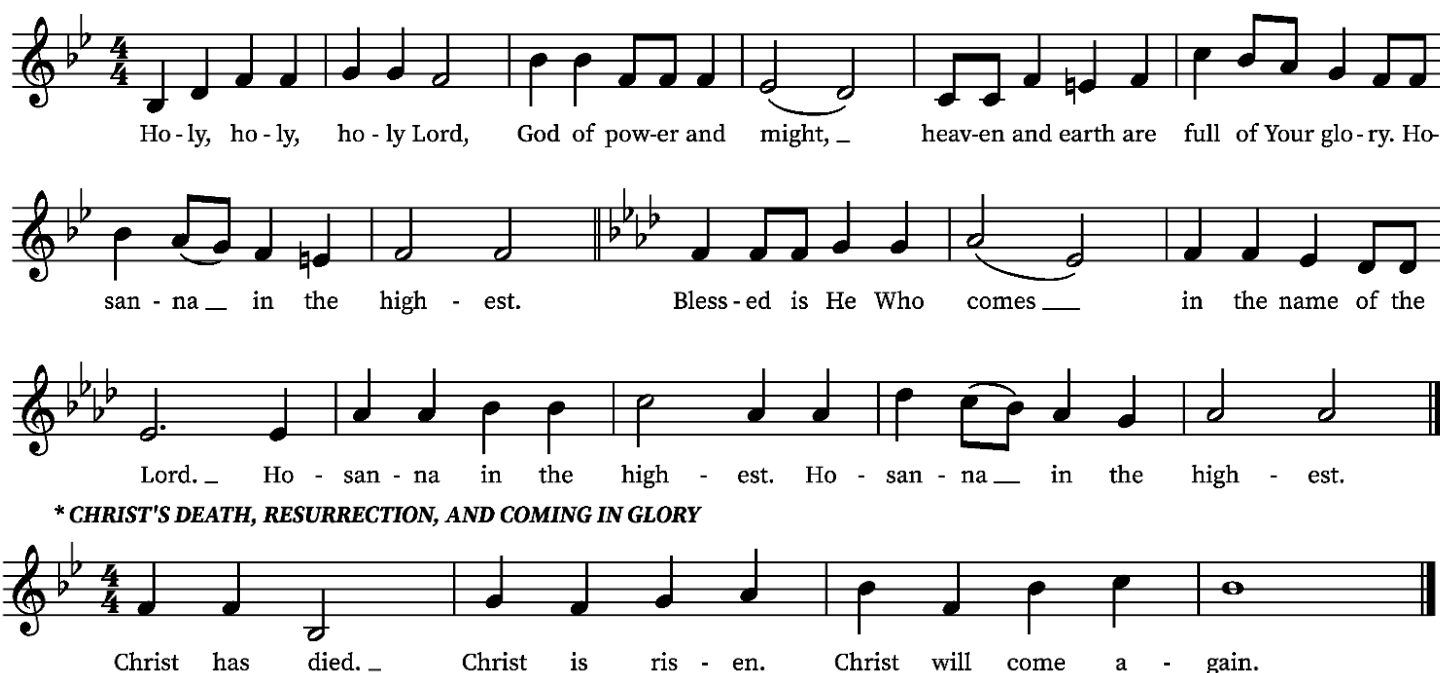
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise...

Communion Music

D. M. K.

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, _ heav - en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na _ in the high - est. Bless - ed is He Who comes _ in the name of the
 Lord. _ Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na _ in the high - est.

***CHRIST'S DEATH, RESURRECTION, AND COMING IN GLORY**

Christ has died. _ Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sung Response

*AMEN



A - men, A-men, A - men. _ A - men, A-men, A - men. A - men, A men, A - men! _

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

All who desire the communion meal are invited to come forward to the table, receive a portion of bread from the pastor, take a cup from one of the elders, and return to the pew. We will share in the cup together once everyone has been served.

Unison Prayer

**God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life.
 May this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other.
 We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Lord. Amen.**

Hymn No. 65 (standing)

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Charge and Benediction

Response

NORTHUMBRIA COMMUNITY

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever he may send you. May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm. May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you. May he bring you home rejoicing, once again into our doors.

Postlude

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

William Runyan, arr. Alice Jordan

Information & Announcements

Welcome Friends and Guests!

Whether you are sharing in the worship of God with us for the first time, visiting with family or friends, or returning for a visit to your home church, we welcome you today in the name of Jesus. Please share some contact information in the red book located in the pew so we can follow up with you and make a place for you in our weekly fellowship.

Prayer Concerns

If you have a need or a request for prayer, please contact the church office.

Current Member Concerns: Jane Prentice; Evelyn Clark; Rex & Nita Tidwell; Joan Walker; Mary Alice Wilson; Annette Hutto - *Current Friends and Family Concerns:* Margaret Yawn; Donna Carole Kitchens; Karen Kuebel (Betty Lamb's niece, sodium deficiency); Christopher Oxford (Isabel Davis's grandson); Kimberly Lewis (Frenchie Bowen's niece); Louise Sallstrom; Kyra Osmus; Melissa & Chad Bamsey and daughter, Emma (Gregg & Julie Reed's granddaughter who has been diagnosed with cancer & her parents), Suzann Smith's brother, Henry (shoulder replacement) – *Military Personnel Prayer List:* Austin Riley (David & Liz Riley's son); Joshua Sulkers (Sharon Sulkers' son); James Watwood; Carter Eddlemon (Doug & Carol Holt's grandson); James Barefoot, Austin Jones, and James Hawkins (family friends of Jennifer Whitehead)

Sanctuary Flowers

Flowers this week are given to the glory of God by Sam & Jinny McDuffie.

If you would like to contribute to the weekly flower arrangements, whether in celebration of a special event or in memory of a loved one, please sign up on the board in the foyer. Arrangements are \$65 (payable to Northminster) and can be taken home with you or gifted to one of our homebound or sick members.

Sunday Studies – Start Next Sunday, August 9th

Both adult and children's Sunday School resumes next Sunday, August 9th. Our "Kidventures" group, led by Virginia Cowser, begins at 9:30am. Be sure to invite a friend! Adult Sunday studies, led by pastor Ralph, begins at 9:00am and will cover the book of Job. Childcare begins at 9 for parents wanting to attend adult studies.

Committee Meetings – Next Sunday, August 9th

Each of our ten committees will be convening to discuss plans and needs for the remainder of the calendar year. If you are already serving on a committee, your leading elder will be contacting you about time and place to meet. If you are not a member of a committee and would like to know more about it and volunteer your time and talents, please contact the elder corresponding with the committee to which you feel called:

- Neighborhood – Amanda Smith – 478-731-2030
- Outreach & Mission – Jeanne Roddenberry – 478-955-9356
- Adult Discipleship & Fellowship – Nita McCord – 478-957-1947
- Children & Youth Discipleship – Renae Preyna – 229-740-7406
- Congregational Care – Amy Maley – 478-320-2651
- Membership Engagement – Natalie Vernon – 478-957-4550
- Worship – Sharon Sulkers – 601-260-4557
- Finance – Gregg Reed – 478-221-4278
- Property – Brad Miles – 478-901-4665
- Personnel – Scott Emener – 478-320-8626

Choir Rehearsal Schedules

Our vocal and bell choir are on break and will resume rehearsals August 19th.

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our calling at Northminster is to make disciples, to grow in faith together, and to serve others in Christ.

CONGREGATION: Ministers of the Good News; SESSION of Ruling Elders: Scott Emener; Amy Maley; Nita McCord;

Brad Miles; Renae Preyna; Gregg Reed; Jeanne Roddenberry; Amanda Smith; Sharon Sulkers; Natalie Vernon

RALPH HAWKINS, Pastor and Teaching Elder DAVID KENNEY, SR., Music Director PAUL EVANS, Parish Associate

SAM ALDERMAN, III, Clerk of Session JENNIFER WHITEHEAD, Ministry Assistant

Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00-1:00; Jennifer Cell: 478-318-7911

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