



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

We are familiar with the parable of the good Samaritan who rescued the man who had been robbed and beaten, and in contrast to the righteous men who passed by the wounded man, the lowly Samaritan bound his wounds and took him to an inn to be cared for. This story reminds us of all the ways we can follow Jesus' words to love our neighbor: to provide physical care for those hurt, hungry, neglected, ill, and homeless. Do we sometimes overlook what Jesus says further? He says to go and show mercy. That too is our call—in all its myriad ways—to show mercy.

THE ACT OF WORSHIP

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
July 14, 2019
Ten-thirty o'clock

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

The worship of God begins this morning as you enter the Sanctuary. You are encouraged to use these moments for meditation, reflection and prayer. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your fellowship with those around you.

The Meditation of Preparation

Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.
-John Wesley

Prelude "May the Mind of Christ My Savior" Funderburk

The Spoken Call to Worship Major Treadway

*The Processional Hymn No. 356: "All Creatures of Our God and King"
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*The Litany of Praise Emily Benzenhafer

Leader: The Lord be with you;

People: And also with you.

Leader: How long, O Lord, will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?

People: Give justice to the weak and the orphan

Leader: Maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute

People: Rescue the weak and needy.

All: Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for each person belongs to you!

-Psalm 82, adapted

*The Gloria Patri No. 807: "Glory Be to the Father" *MEINEKE*

*The Prayer of Invocation Emily Benzenhafer

The Greeting Major Treadway

The Lessons Amos 7:7-17
Psalm 82

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

God, forgive our self-righteousness which denies guilt and our self-interest which strangles compassion.

-*Pietermaritzburg Agency for Christian Social Awareness*, adapted

Time of Response

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer Lesley Ratcliff

INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 557: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" *SCOTT*

*The Offertory Prayer Emily Benzenhafer

The Offertory "The Gift to Be Simple" Larkin

*The Doxology *OLD HUNDREDTH*

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel Luke 10:25-37 Lesley Ratcliff

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem "Offertory" Beck

Richard Joiner, *baritone*

The Sermon "The Jericho Partnership" Jason Coker

COMMITMENT

Northminster is an open fellowship that wants to share its gift of life and ministry with others. During the Time of Response, this church extends to you an invitation to membership by your request for baptism, by letter from a sister church, or by statement of your Christian experience in another denomination. If you would like to unite with this covenant community, please express this desire by coming forward at this point of the service.

TIME OF RESPONSE

To all who are poor and need help, to all who have and need to share, to all who are in darkness and need light, to all who have light and need to let it shine, may we come together and be a blessing to one another.

*The Recessional Hymn No. 669: "God of Grace and God of Glory" *CWM RHONDDA*

*The Benediction Jason Coker

*The Postlude "Praise the Lord! O Heavens" Sullivan

***The congregation will please stand.**

The Lectionary passages for July 14 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Amos 7:7-17 ~ page 748

Psalm 82 ~ page 472

Colossians 1:1-14 ~ page 956

Luke 10:25-37 ~ page 844