



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Bless us in our pilgrimage through life
With the power of the Father protecting.
With the love of Jesus indwelling,
And the light of the Spirit guiding.

Pilgrimage, Peter Neil
The Westminster Collection of Christian Prayers

THE ACT OF WORSHIP

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 11, 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

Days of Darkness still come over me; sorrow's path I often tread, but the Savior still is with me; by the Savior's hand I'm safely led.

-I will Sing the Wondrous Story
The Worshipping Church Hymnal

Prelude "Now Thank We All Our God" Bach

The Spoken Call to Worship Major Treadway

*The Processional Hymn No. 17: "Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him"
AUSTRIAN HYMN

*The Litany of Praise Caroline Crisler

Leader: The Lord be with you;

People: and also with you.

Leader: Glory to you Lord, God of our fathers,

All: you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Leader: Glory to you for the radiance of your holy name,

All: we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

Leader: Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;

All: on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Song Of Praise, adapted
The Worshipping Church Hymnal

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

*The Prayer of Invocation Caroline Crisler

The Greeting Major Treadway

The Lessons Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

Anne Lamott claims the two best prayers she knows are: "Help me, help me, help me," and "Thank you, thank you, thank you."

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer Amy Finkelberg

INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 552: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" *OLIVET*

*The Offertory Prayer Caroline Crisler

The Offertory "Choral" Jongen

*The Doxology *OLD HUNDREDTH*

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel Luke 12:32-40 Amy Finkelberg

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem "Spirit of Faith, Come Down" Kimbrough
Suzy Haynes, *soprano*

The Sermon "Learning to Be Good" Major Treadway

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

And he believed the Lord, and the Lord counted it to him as righteousness.

-Genesis 15:6, adapted

*The Recessional Hymn No. 712: "The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy" *HANOVER*

*The Benediction Major Treadway

*The Postlude "Now Thank We All Our God" Karg-Elert

**The congregation will please stand.*

The Lectionary passages for August 11 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 ~ pages 548-549
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23 ~ pages 451-452
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 ~ page 977
Luke 12:32-40 ~ page 847