

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Call to the Table

Charles Poole

The Communion Litany

Pastor: On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

People: **Thanks be to God for the broken bread.**

Pastor: After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

People: **Thanks be to God for the cup.**

Pastor: Thanks be to God for the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus.

All: **Thanks be to God for the table of communion.**

The Bread

Worshippers will come forward by the center aisle. Receive the bread and, having received it, return to your seat by the outside aisle

The Cup

Worshippers will be served the cup seated in the pews. Take the cup, a symbol of your willingness to receive the Grace of God. Once all have been served, drink the cup together.

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

"When you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind."
Luke 14:13

*The Recessional Hymn No. 697: "In Christ There Is No East or West" *ST. PETER*

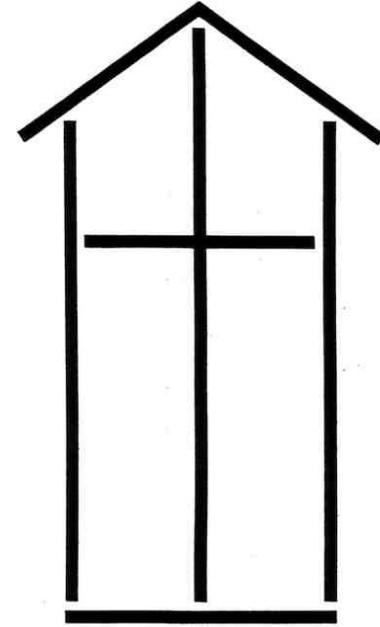
*The Benediction Charles Poole

*The Postlude "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" Bobo

**The congregation will please stand.*

The Lectionary passages for September 1 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Jeremiah 2:4-13 ~ page 610
Psalm 81:1, 10-16 ~ page 471
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 ~ page 979
Luke 14:1, 7-14 ~ page 849



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

"Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it."

Hebrews 13: 1-2

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THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
September 1, 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

Don't talk to strangers, we tell our children. We look over our shoulder in parking lots. We watch our children carefully in stores and even in our own backyards. We do not easily welcome strangers into our homes or lives. Perhaps our wariness is keeping us from entertaining angels; strangers, orphans, widows, the poor...all are on God's priority list to receive hospitality.

Prelude "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Albrecht Biery
"We Walk by Faith"

The Call to Worship "Bless Ye the Lord" Ippolitof-Ivanof

*Bless ye the Lord our God, all ye His angels, bless the Lord.
Bless the Lord all His angels fair, that so rejoice in His strength.
He is gracious, kind, and full of compassion, ever just,
But He doth not always chide, nor keepeth His wrath.
As the heav'n is high above the earth, so great His mercy
to all that trust in His word.*

*The Processional Hymn No. 694: "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"
AUSTRIAN HYMN

*The Litany of Praise Monica Daniels

Leader: The Lord be with you;

People: And also with you.

Leader: Sing for joy for God our strength;

All: Shout aloud to the God of Jacob.

Leader: I am the Lord your God;

All: Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.

-Psalm 81, adapted

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

*The Prayer of Invocation Monica Daniels

The Greeting Major Treadway

The Lessons Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

"Lord, I will learn to kneel, like the wanderer who has come home at last and kneels in peace, done with all unnecessary things; every motion, even words."

-Mary Oliver

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer Lesley Ratcliff

INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 768: "I Come with Joy" *DOVE OF PEACE*

*The Offertory Prayer Monica Daniels

The Offertory "Let All Things Now Living" Cherwien

*The Doxology *OLD HUNDREDTH*

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel Luke 14:1, 7-14 Charles Poole

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem "Where Charity and Love Prevail" Kosche

Where charity and love prevail There God is ever found;
Brought here to gather by Christ's love, By love are we thus bound.
With grateful joy and holy fear His charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and soul Now love him in return.

Forgive our other's faults As we our faults confess,
And let us love each other well In Christian holiness.
Let strife among us to be unknown; Let all contention cease;
Be God's the glory that we seek; Be ours his holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst Dwells Christ, his only Son;
As members of his Body joined We are in him made one.
For love excludes no race or clan That name his Name;
His family embraces all Whose Father is the same.

The Sermon "A Jesus-Shaped Hospitality" Charles Poole