

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

November 7, 2021 @10:30 am

Liturgist: Kat Ballou Special Music: Mary Louise Wilson, piano

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Music as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship

Chimes: Hymns

Organ Prelude

"Jesu Joy" (Cantata 147)

J.S. Bach

Welcome

Nursery care is available for infants through age 5 in Room 115.

*Call to Worship

One:	Enter God's gates with thanksgiving; Go into the holy courts with praise;
All:	Give thanks and call upon the name of the Lord.
One:	For the Lord is good,
All:	Whose mercy is everlasting;
	and whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

Hymn

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength WINCHESTER OLD Glory to God Hymnal #329

- God is our refuge and our strength, our ever-present aid, and therefore, though the earth be moved, we will not be afraid;
- 2. Though hills amid the seas be cast, though foaming waters roar, yea, though the mighty billows shake the mountains on the shore.
- Where God abides a river flows; that city will rejoice.
 But nations fear and kingdoms shake before God's thundering voice.
- 4. Since God is in the midst of it, the city walls shall stand, secure and safe with God's sure help, when trouble is at hand.

*Opening Prayer

First Reading 1 John 3:14-18

¹⁴ We know that we have passed from death to life because we love one another. Whoever does not love abides in death. ¹⁵ All who hate a brother or sister are murderers, and you know that murderers do not have eternal life abiding in them. ¹⁶ We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷ How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? ¹⁸ Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action.

Music Meditation

Prayer of St. Francis

Allen Pote

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, thy pardon, Lord. Where there is doubt, let there be faith.

Where there's despair, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, let there be light. Where there is sadness, let there be joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console. To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned. And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Amen.

Children's Moment

As this is a communion Sunday, the children are invited to remain in the Sanctuary so we can all celebrate communion together as a church family.

Worship bag supplies, including sermon notes for the kids, are available on the worship cart in the narthex.

Gospel Reading Matthew 25:31-46

³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³² All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, 33 and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. 34 Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 35 for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' 37 Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸ And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? 39 And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' 40 And the king will answer them. 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' 41 Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; 4² for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' 44 Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' 45 Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' 46 And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Meditation

Remembering the Saints

NPC Members
John Herring
Julee Norris
Jackie Smythe
Penny Jones
Housh Rahimzadeh

Family Members

Father of Dee Duncan Aaron, nephew of Dana Wade Ma, mother of Dana Wade Ed Pickering, cousin of Tina Page Phyllis, mother of Bob Patterson Thomas Cronley, father of John Cronley Harriett, aunt of Nan Brown Mrs. West, former NPC choir member Mother of Carol Millard Phyllis, mother of Bob Patterson Jimmy Massey, cousin of Shirley Millicans Frank, husband of Amy Ryland Emily, daughter of Linda Granath Dot Prochaska, mother of Rick Prochaska Bobbie Moser, father of Mary Ann Cronley Henry Braddy, uncle of Nan Brown Mother of Ian Oosthuizen Irene Cottrell, stepmother of Lynda Cottrell Tony Monti, father of Andrea Bourgeois Robert L. Gregory, Sr., father of Robert Gregory Mother of Alan Williams Pat Stewart, mother of Andy Stewart Dr. Tom Hodge, former member of NPC Izabella Bondell, granddaughter of Dr. Tom Hodge James (Jag), son of Rosemary Glenn Lorie Moore, brother of Bruce Moore Bunny Adams, mother of Mark Adams Robert (Bob) Orr, cousin of Mary Lindner Pat Kendall, former member Lee Hutchison, uncle of Davis Bailey

Communion

Great 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.

We give you thanks, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe. We praise you for saints and martyrs, for the faithful in every age who have followed your Son and witnessed to his resurrection. . .

We lift up this prayer of thanksgiving to you, O God, by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the name of Jesus Christ who taught us to pray, saying,

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.

Words of Institution

Invitation

Sharing of Communion

Prayer after Communion

Offering

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*Closing Hymn

For All the Saints Glory to God Hymnal #326, vs. 1, 2, & 5

SINE NOMINE

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle; they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Benediction

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below, Praise him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Organ Response

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

Benjamin Schmolck

"Pray for One Another"

To encourage all of us to pray for each other, we list here some members and families each week. Here is this week's list:

Terry & Barbara Christopher; Megan Cimperman; Ralph & Dawn Cimperman, Madison; Tom Cimperman; Brent & Jen Clifton; Steve & Linda Collins; Amanda & Jay Connolly; George & Robbie Copenhaver; Lynda Cottrell; Bob & Carol Coulter.

The Session has called a Congregational meeting to follow the 10:30 am service today for the purpose of electing a slate of officers for 2022. <u>Click here</u> to view officer bios.

Elders

Jennifer Clifton Sue Farrell Fred Millard Lisa Sills Thomas Vandervort Aidan Ussery (youth)

Deacons

Clay Boyles Nancy Girard Rene Nunnington Doug Tedder Sarah Teja

Tom Provost has agreed to serve one additional year as a Deacon – Class of 2022. **Ann Hooper** has agreed to serve one additional year as a Deacon – Class of 2023.

Northminster Kids will pack Operation Christmas Child Boxes on Sunday 11/21 as part of their 3rd Sunday Gathering. Help us meet our goal by bringing shoe boxes and/or items from the list below to church any time before 11/21!

Personal Care Item

- Comb/hairbrush
- Toothbrush (NO TOOTHPASTE)
- Band-Aids
- Lip Balm (NOT LIQUID)
- Deodorant
- Nail clipper and file

School Supplies

- Pencils and small sharpener
- Pens
- Colored pencils, crayons, markers
- Small notebooks
- Blank index cards
- Scissors
- Glue stick (NO LIQUID GLUE)

Clothes/Accessories

- Sunglasses
- Socks
- Hat
- Hair accessories
- T-shirt
- Tote bag

<u>Toys</u>

- Playing cards
- Jump rope
- Small frisbee
- Foam ball or Tennis ball
- Small stuffed animal
- Soccer ball, football, or kickball with a manual pump to inflate

NO LIQUIDS, FOOD, DRINKS OR DRINK MIXES, MEDICATIONS, BREAKABLE ITEMS, WAR RELATED TOYS, OR AEROSOL CANS.



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