



NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Seek, Serve, Embrace | Engaging neighbors near and far in Christ's love

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

November 20, 2022 | 4:00 p.m.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Petite Suite (I. Fanfare)" | Andrew Carter (born 1939), Larry Powell, Trumpet

WELCOME

Moderator Muriel Treadwell

INTROIT

"Come, We That Love the Lord" | Isaac Watts (1674-1748), Chancel Choir

Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
join in a song with sweet accord, and thus surround the throne.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Michael Whitfield

As many of you as were baptized into Christ

have clothed yourselves with Christ.

There is one body and one Spirit,

just as we were called to the one hope of our calling;

one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all,

who is above all and through all and in all.

*INTERFAITH PRAYER

Imam Ahmed Alamine

*HYMN NO. 401

"Here in This Place" | *GATHER US IN*

**For those who are able, please stand.*



***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Rev. Maureen Wilson

Merciful and loving God,
You have called us to be your people
and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ.
We confess that we have not lived up to our calling
to proclaim the good news in word and deed.
We are quick to speak when we ought to listen
and remain silent when it is time to speak.
We put too much faith in our own actions
and fail to trust the strength of your Spirit.

O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways.
Strengthen us anew to follow Christ's way in the world.
By your Holy Spirit, give us the grace we need
to be faithful disciples and fulfill our common calling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

***SILENT CONFESSION**

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Lead a life worthy of your calling –
with humility, gentleness, and patience,
bearing with one another in love,
and making every effort to maintain
the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

***HYMN NO. 582**

"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" | *GLORY TO GOD*

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Madison VanVeelen

SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 11: 1-3, 39-40

SOLO

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" | *Dr. Jillian Harrison-Jones*

SERMON

"Cowardice, Courage, and the Call to Christian Ministry" |

Rev. Dr. Winterbourne Harrison-Jones

**For those who are able, please stand.*



WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

Elder Michael Whitfield

There are varieties of gifts,
but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

**There are different ways of serving God,
but it is the same Lord who is served.**

God works through each person in a unique way,
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

**To each is given a gift of the Spirit
to be used for the common good.**

Together we are the body of Christ,
and individually members of it.

STATEMENT ON THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

Moderator Muriel Treadwell

In his baptism, Brian was clothed with Christ. He was ordained to the ministry of Word and Sacrament by the Whitewater Valley Presbytery and is now called by God through the voice of the church to serve as pastor of this congregation.

**We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ, and we celebrate
God's call to our brother, to serve among us as pastor.**

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

Rev. Carol McDonald | (Adapted from the Interreligious Stance of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), 2014)

God calls us to have loving relationships with people of other religions.

God calls us to approach others in a spirit of openness and trust.

God calls us to work with people of other religions for peace, justice, and the sustainability of creation.

Guided on our way by the divine, we will

**meet human needs,
work for social justice,
pursue peace,
educate for greater understanding,
nurture diverse communities,
value hospitality in our congregations,
and respect one another in our workplaces.**

We follow Christ's call to work for God's kingdom; we believe that God will complete what we leave incomplete.

To God be the glory!

**For those who are able, please stand.*



CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS FOR THE PASTOR-ELECT

Book of Order G-14.0405 | Moderator Muriel Treadwell

Questions to the pastor-elect:

Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? *I do.*

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? *I do.*

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? *I do and I will.*

Will you be a minister of the Word and Sacrament in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture and continually guided by the confessions? *I will.*

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? *I will.*

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? *I will.*

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? *I do.*

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? *I will.*

Will you be a faithful minister, proclaiming the good news in Word and Sacrament, teaching faith, and caring for people? Will you be active in government and discipline, serving in the governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? *I will.*

**For those who are able, please stand.*



QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

Elder Anne Ricchiuto

Do we, the members of the church, accept Brian as our pastor, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to encourage him, to respect his decisions, and to follow as he guides us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?

We do.

Do we promise to pay him fairly, and provide for his welfare as he works among us; to stand by him in trouble, and share his joy? Will we listen to the word he preaches, welcome his pastoral care, and honor his authority as he seeks to honor and obey Jesus Christ our Lord?

We do and we will.

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

Moderator Muriel Treadwell

DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION

INTERFAITH READING

Mr. George Kelley

WELCOME TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED

Moderator Muriel Treadwell

*HYMN NO. 769 (Verses 1-3, 5)

"For Everyone Born" | *FOR EVERYONE BORN*

CHARGE TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED

Elder Anne Ricchiuto

CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

Rev. Carol McDonald

**For those who are able, please stand.*



OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Hymn of Praise" | *René Clausen (born 1953), Chancel Choir*

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God in His holy temple;
in the firmament of His power.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God in His mighty majesty,
and with pure and humble heart.
Praise Him with the sound of the ram's horn,
praise Him with lyre and harp, lyre and harp, lute and melody.

Praise him timbrel and dance.
Praise Him with harp, strings, and violin, lute, and trumpet, all to His name.
Let everything that has life and breath sing praises unto the Lord!
With cymbal and pipe, with shining stars!
We sing hosanna!

For Thou hast been our dwelling place from one generation to another,
before the mountains were brought forth,
or e'er the earth was formed, even from everlasting to everlasting,
Thou art God. Amen.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God in His holy temple.
Amen. Alleluia, Amen!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Carol McDonald

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.

*HYMN NO. 697

"Take My Life" | *HENDON*

*INTERFAITH BLESSING

Dr. Anita Joshi

**For those who are able, please stand.*



***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

Rev. Brian Shivers

Go out into the world in peace;

have courage

hold on to what is good;

return no one evil for evil;

strengthen the fainthearted;

support the weak, and help the suffering;

honor all people;

love and serve the Lord,

rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Amen

POSTLUDE

"Fanfare for an Angel" | *James Stephenson*

Installation Commission

Elder Muriel Treadwell
Whitewater Valley Moderator

Imam Ahmed Alamine
*The Indianapolis Muslim
Community Association*

Mr. George Kelley
*Congregation
Beth-El Zedeck*

Rev. Madison VanVeelen
*Second Presbyterian
Church*

**Rev. Dr. Winterbourne
Harrison-Jones**
*Witherspoon Presbyterian
Church*

Rev. Carol McDonald
*Northminster Presbyterian
Church*

Elder Michael Whitfield
*First Presbyterian Church
(Shelbyville)*

Dr. Anita Joshi
*Hindu Temple of Central
Indiana*

Elder Anne Ricchiuto
*Northminster Presbyterian
Church*

Rev. Maureen Wilson
*Irvington Presbyterian
Church*

The Presbytery of Whitewater Valley recognizes the significant investment of those called into the Ministry of Word and Sacrament. In order to assist with the financial component of education and training for this calling, the Presbytery encourages congregations to contribute to a fund that assists inquirers and candidates for ordained ministry. The offering today is one such way to contribute to this fund.

Underwriters for today's trumpet offerings are The Spiritual Striders, a Christ Care group at Northminster. This gift is in memory of one of their members, Fran MacAllister, who passed away in 2018. She appreciated music of all types and was a strong supporter of the arts and Northminster's music program.

Ministry

Brian Shivers
Pastor/Head of Staff

John Wright
Director of Music Ministries

Lori Schlabach
Financial Administrator

Carol McDonald
Parish Associate

Marko Petričić
Music Associate/Organist

Cheryl Plunkett
Office Administrator

Nancy Fortenberry
Director of Youth & Family
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Denise Harrington
Director of Senior Ministries

Morteza Semnani
Director of Operations

Melissa Hopkins
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Children's Ministries

Timothy Foster
Director of Communications

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Donald R. Durett
Associate Pastor Emeritus

Tony Dzwonar
Mary Beth Riner
Stephen Ministry Leaders

Michael de las Alas
Custodian

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Upcoming Events

College Care Packages | Month of November

Help us support our seniors through Finals with some care packages by bringing goodies to the church office by Sunday, November 27th. We will be assembling care packages on November 30th and delivering them on December 5th.



Drumstick Dash Volunteers Needed | Nov. 24 | 7:00 am

We're in need of volunteers to assist with Drumstick Dash. We will be opening our doors to runners for hot chocolate and a warm place to relax. Those who can make & serve hot chocolate, provide directions, and set-up/clean-up are greatly appreciated!

Christmas Nights of Lights | Nov. 24 & 25 | 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm

Ride through the State Fairgrounds' Christmas light display, with coordinated music, on the Northminster church bus. Seating capacity is limited to 14 people for each time slot and the cost is \$5 per person (due on day of event).

Westminster Shampoo Donations | Nov. 27th

Support Westminster with donations of shampoo! Your gift can make a difference by supporting those in desperate need of hygiene products. Look for a donation table in the Gathering Place and help us reach our goal of 350 shampoo bottles donated!

Hat & Mitten Drive | Month of December

Help us support the Westminster Food Pantry by donating hats, gloves, and mittens to the Gathering Place. We will collect these winter items to display on the Christmas tree and all items will be donated to Westminster Food Pantry.

Clothe-A-Child | Dec. 1 | 8:30 am

Meet in the Gathering Place for coffee and doughnuts before we carpool to the Glendale Target to shop for children in need. No experience is needed! We'll return to Northminster afterward and send the students back to school with their purchases.



All-Church Annual Bake Sale | Dec. 4 | 11:00 am

Join us in the Gathering Place following worship for our Annual Bake Sale. This event is a free-will offering and all proceeds will go towards the costs of the new playground. If you'd like to bake, please bring your gifts wrapped and ready for sale.

Advent Art Project | Dec. 4 | 11:10 am

Join us to help create an art piece that will include around forty painted canvases. This will be our second round of painting but we still need your help! All skill levels are welcome, and we'll have poetry, art, and scripture to inspire you.

Sound & Spirit: "Advent Lessons and Carols" | Dec. 4 | 5:00 pm

Led by the Northminster Chancel Choir, poetry, scriptures, hymns, and choral anthems propel us towards the true joy of Christmas. The story of the coming of Christ deepens our understanding of God's message of love and redemption.

