



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

**January 22, 2017
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THE CHURCH GATHERS . . .

“The world and the church are changing more rapidly than we can comprehend...some things are the same: the world and the church desperately need energy, imagination, passion, impatience, intelligence, and love...one of the great biblical themes is that God calls...all of us to walk into the future without knowing exactly where we are headed, to let go of old securities and certainties and trust the God who promises to be with us wherever we go.”

Rev. John Buchanan, retired PC(USA) minister

PRELUDE Rigaudon Louis-Claude Daquin
Bransle Simple (from *Terpsichore*) (11:00) Michael Praetorius
Recorder Ensemble

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 27

Leader: Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path.

People: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

Leader: “Come,” my heart says, “seek His face!” Your face, LORD, do I seek.

People: The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Leader: I will offer in His house sacrifices with shouts of joy;

People: I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 229** (blue hymnal) From All That Dwell Below the Skies
Lasst uns erfreuen

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)
Gracious God, our light and our salvation, forgive our lack of faithfulness. Heal the brokenness that separates us one from another, from our own best selves, and from you. Rescue us from the fears that hold us hostage; the fear of the unknown, the fear of difference, the fear of change, all of which fuels judgement and prejudice. Turn us from quarrels that hurt and destroy. Grant us new depths of caring and forgiveness, that we might serve you with renewed strength and purpose. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

***KYRIE ELEISON NO. 574** (blue hymnal) arr. David N. Johnson
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE** Gloria Patri No. 576 (blue hymnal) Jacques Berthier

TO EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 9:1-4; I Corinthians 1:10-18

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Carolyn Greenwood
Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children’s Worship.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 4:12-23

SERMON Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

“Your career is what you are paid for, your calling is what you are made for”

***HYMN NO. 322** (red hymnal) Jesus Calls Us, O’er the Tumult *Galilee*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) from *A Declaration of Faith*

Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability and time. It is part of our discipline to observe a day of worship and rest, setting aside our own working to enjoy God’s work, celebrating with sisters and brothers the Lord’s goodness. We need constantly to search out God’s way in Scripture, not expecting detailed directions for every decision, but relying on the Word to tell us who God is, to press God’s present claim on us, and to assure us of God’s grace and comfort. We are charged to pray for ourselves and others with gratitude, boldness, and persistence, confident that God hears and answers our prayers in ways best for us all. Life in God’s presence results in a life lived for others, for if we do not love sisters and brothers whom we see, we cannot love God whom we do not see.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ... The Lord’s Prayer

During the Prayers of the People there will be a time of silence. You are invited to use this time for personal reflection, confession, thanksgiving, and prayer.

THE OFFERING

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle.

Though many of us contribute electronically or by a check in the mail, your holding and passing the offering plate is an act of blessing and dedication to our life together in Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(9:00) Bransle Simple Michael Praetorius

(11:00) He That Shall Endure to the End (from *Elijah*) Felix Mendelssohn

He that shall endure to the end shall be saved.

Matthew 24:13

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 514 (red hymnal) *Old Hundredth*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 422** (blue hymnal) (11:00) God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending
Beach Spring

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586** (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Variation V

(from *Variations for Organ on “Dix”*)

David P. Dahl

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Debbie Babelay and Bryan Powell

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JANUARY 15-31: Linda Rutherford

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from the

ushers.

PLEASE place your bulletin into a blue recycling bin located at the Narthex door if you do not care to take it home.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Shea Bell and Fiona Collins

GREETERS (11:00): Rob and Susan McKeehan

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Julia and Carl Whipple, Rhys and Mac Whipple

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Recorder Ensemble

(11:00) Chancel Choir and Recorder Ensemble

SENIOR USHER: Tim Ryan

USHERS:

(9:00) Jeff Bendy and David Woodall

(11:00) Christie Dowling, Jerry Carley, Bill Holt, Alice and Charlie Mercer

Children are always welcome in our worship services! A nursery for newborns up to 5 years of age is provided in the Children’s education wing by trained, caring staff each week as a part of our ministry to children and their families. Please ask a greeter or usher for assistance.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Gail Latimer in memory of her father, Bill McDonald.

THE CHURCH FAMILY REJOICES with Frank and Marty Marsh as they celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on January 25th! We congratulate this wonderful couple, who are founding members of our church, have always been a blessing to our church family, and who are so loved by us all! Please join us at a reception in their honor following the 11:00 worship service.

DUTCH ORGANIST PAUL TEGELS will be heard at Westminster Church on Friday evening, February 10, at 8:00, as part of this season's *Musica Organi* recital series. Dr. Tegels is Associate Professor of Music and University Organist at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington, and a past president of the Westfield Center for Historical Keyboard Studies. Cosponsoring this event will be the Knoxville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. The congregation is cordially invited and encouraged to attend. A nursery will be provided.

FELIX MENDELSSOHN composed his oratorio *Elijah* in 1846 for the Birmingham Festival (England) and it gained immediate popularity. Its text, taken from the Old Testament, depicts various events in the life of the prophet. Mendelssohn was an important figure in the revival of interest in the works of J. S. Bach, having organized the first performance of the *Saint Matthew Passion* since the composer's death. The oratorios of Handel were also very familiar to Mendelssohn and he prepared a scholarly edition of several of them for publication in London. *Elijah* is composed in the same vein as these works of Bach and Handel, yet its style exhibits early Romantic lyricism, choral and orchestral color, dynamic shading, and harmonic language.

A STATED SESSION MEETING is today at 12:15 p.m. in the McKinnon Room.

KIDS' CLUB meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We'll have lunch and decorate cookies for Westmoreland Assisted Living Center.

SHOW AND WAMS: Tonight we'll gather for dinner at 5:00. After dinner, we're going to play an Apple TV interactive game (that uses our phones.)* The game is called Drawful 2, and it's so much fun!! (Like a smash-up of Kahoot and Pictionary!) **No worries if you don't have a phone – we'll share!!! Don't miss the fun. We hope to see you tonight!

WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY meets tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

BLT: BIBLE, LUNCH, THEOLOGY: Dr. Phillips' Biblical Studies Class continues on Tuesday, as we discuss II Corinthians, chapters 2, 3 and 4. The classes are mostly independent, so feel free to read the material and come join us at any time.

WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER: Join us this week as Kenneth Kim, ruling elder from the Korean Church of Knoxville tells us his story about his escape from communism in Korea. Dinner is at 5:45 p.m, followed by our program at 6:30.

MEN'S COVENANT BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP: On Thursday, January 26 at 7:30 a.m., the men of Westminster will gather in the McKinnon Room for our next meeting and lesson. The lesson will be led by Rev. John Muntz, and breakfast will be provided by Tom Byerley. No reservation is necessary and all men are welcome.

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in the SHOW room.

VISIT FROM ONE OF THE PC(USA) CO-MODERATORS: It is a great honor for Westminster to welcome the Rev. Jan Edmiston January 28 and 29. Jan is one of the Co-Moderators of the 222nd General Assembly of the PC(USA). We will host an informal gathering/potluck supper Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m., and she will preach at both services Sunday. We have invited members from other Presbyterian churches in the area to join us Saturday night, and are hoping to give her a very warm East Tennessee welcome.

Jan is passionate about social justice issues, and writes a blog, *A Church for Starving Artists* (<https://achurchforstarvingartists.wordpress.com>). On Saturday night, she will spend part of her time speaking about a book she and her fellow Co-Moderator, the Rev. Denise Anderson, are suggesting church members should read, and why they recommend it. The book is entitled *Waking Up White*, and it is available in paperback and on Kindle through Amazon if you would like to begin reading in advance of her visit.

Adult Sunday School

Bible Study	Library
This group takes a deep look at Scripture, mixed with lots of laughter.	
The Wired Word	Prayer Room
Using stories pulled from the headlines, the class takes a look at how we take our faith into the world.	
Topics	McKinnon Room
We are starting the year with Mike Slaughter's book/video series, <i>Change the World: Recovering the Message and Mission of Christ</i> .	
Faith and Life	Fellowship Hall
Join us as we discuss Civil Dialogue, When Conversation Matters, Are We Not of Interest to Each Other.	
Coffee House	Schilling Gallery

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