

# Fifth Sunday in



## CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### INVITATION TO THE TABLE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**  
Leader: Lift up your hearts.  
**People: We lift them to the Lord.**  
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER SHARING THE SACRAMENT

*Beginning from the front of the sanctuary, the congregation will be ushered to the Table. Return to your pew by the side aisle. Service will be brought to any who are unable to come forward.*

**MUSIC FOR COMMUNION** Christus, der uns selig macht Hans Kammeier  
*Christ, Who Makes Us Blessed*

### PRAYER AFTER THE TABLE

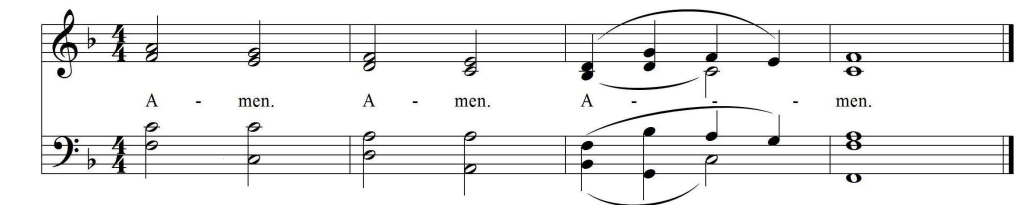
Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;  
**People: And all that is within me, bless God's holy name.**  
Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;  
**People: And forget not all his benefits.**

## TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

\*HYMN NO. 81 (blue hymnal) (11:00) Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days  
*St. Flavian*

\*CHARGE AND BEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen  
Danish melody



\*POSTLUDE Capriccio Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck?

*Today's prayer of confession was written by Pastor Emeritus Fritz Schilling and used previously at Westminster Church.*

\*Indicates standing.

## **NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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and silence at injustice. Grant us such wisdom and courage as will enable us to make hope visible, forgiving genuine, loving contagious, faith liberating, peacemaking joyful, and ourselves open and present to other people and to your Kingdom.

\*KYRIE ELEISON John L. Bell  
*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 Of the Father's Love Begotten *Divinum mysterium*

## TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

OLD TESTAMENT Ezekiel 37:1-14  
A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Barbara Adamcik  
*Children age 4 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children's Worship.*

GOSPEL John 11:1-45  
SERMON "Truth and Consequence" Rev. Gradye Parsons  
\*HYMN NO. 306 (blue hymnal) Fairest Lord Jesus *Crusaders' Hymn*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)  
**We believe Christ gives us and demands of us lives in pilgrimage toward God's kingdom. Like Christ we may enjoy on our journey all that sustains life and makes it pleasant and beautiful. No more than Christ are we spared the darkness, ambiguity and threat of life in the world. Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to the kingdom: to serve as he has served us; to take up our cross, risking the consequences of faithful discipleship; to walk by faith, not by sight, to hope for what we have not seen. We believe that God sends us to tell all nations that Christ calls everyone to repentance and faith. We are to proclaim by word and deed that Christ gave himself to set people free. We are to offer them in Christ's name fullness of life now and forever.**

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) Amazing Grace *Amazing Grace*  
(11:00) Sanctus (from *Missa brevis*) G. P. da Palestrina  
Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest.*

Isaiah 6:3  
\*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology No. 591 (blue hymnal) *Tallis' Canon*  
(Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 542 (blue hymnal))  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Order of Worship April 2, 2017  
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

## THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

*Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshiping here with the goal of connecting faith and life. If you are a visitor, we pray you will feel welcome and blessed by our worship. We invite you to consider making Westminster your church home. Please let us have your contact information so we may be in touch.*

*Children are welcome in worship here. A nursery is available during the entire service. Any who are baptized are invited to receive the elements of the Lord's Supper.*

*When the prelude begins let us quietly prepare for the worship of almighty God.*

PRELUDE  
(9:00) Von Gott will ich nicht lassen Johann Michael Bach  
*From God I Shall Not Turn*  
(11:00) Amazing Grace *Amazing Grace*  
arr. Sue Mitchell-Wallace and John H. Head  
Charles Graves, Flugelhorn  
Kathy Graves, Piano

## OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalms 130:5-8*

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;  
**People: My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.**  
Leader: O Israel, hope in the Lord!  
**People: For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.**  
Leader: It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.  
**People: Let us worship God.**

## TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

\*HYMN NO. 454 (blue hymnal) Blessed Jesus, at Your Word *Liebster Jesu*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)  
**O God, drive us deep now to face ourselves that we may see what we truly need to confess. We confess our capacity to deceive and willingness to be deceived, our loving of things and using of people, our struggle for power and shrinking of soul, our addiction to comfort and sedation of conscience, our readiness to criticize and reluctance to create, our clamor for privilege**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Cindy Pearman and Tolson Bell  
**CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR APRIL 1-15:** Susan McKeehan and Lana Daverman

**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): Abby Hatmaker and Ella Wright

**GREETERS** (11:00): Don and Sue Byerly

### **CHILDREN’S WORSHIP:**

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Dan and Amanda Collins, Fiona Collins and Alice Gawne

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** (11:00) Chancel Choir

**SENIOR USHER:** Larry Ridley

### **USHERS:**

(9:00) Carol Beilharz and David Woodall

(11:00) Bob Daverman, Christie Dowling, Reed Ellis, Andrew and Kristi Gordon

**OUR THANKS** to Charlie and Kathy Graves for their enrichment of our worship this morning.

**GIOVANNI PIERLUIGI DA PALESTRINA (c. 1525-1594)** was one of the finest composers of polyphony in the *stile antico*, heard in the dense and intricate counterpoint of this morning’s offertory anthem. Seen as perhaps the last major composer of his era, Palestrina’s form and style would soon give way to the forward-looking *stile moderno* of the early Baroque.

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Tricia Bell, “to honor my amazing children, Elena, Shea, and Tolson. I love you!!!!”

**TWO-CENTS-A-MEAL** collection is today. We bring this offering each “First Sunday,” as our share in maintaining the Volunteer Ministry Center of Knoxville. The average monthly cost to serve breakfast and lunch is \$275. Your support is greatly appreciated!

**NAME TAG SUNDAY** is today. Please fill out a name tag in the Narthex.

**REV. GRADYE PARSONS** is a semi-retired Presbyterian minister. He served congregations in Newport and Bristol, Tennessee. He was Executive Presbyter in Holston Presbytery. He was elected Stated Clerk of the General Assembly in 2008 and retired in 2016.

He met his wife, Kathy under the Magnolia tree in front of the old Glocker Business building. They have a son, Joshua who is an Assistant District Attorney in Kingsport and a daughter, Rachel who is the chaplain at Presbyterian College in Clinton, SC.

**THE ABBEY DEADLINE** is today. Please send your announcements and articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net.

### **Katherine Paterson is coming to Westminster!**

Katherine Paterson, one of the most awarded, best-loved American writers, is coming to speak at Westminster on Sunday, April 23 at 2:00.

**In preparation for her visit, we’re kicking off an All-Church Book Study this evening from 5:00-7:30p.m.** We are going to have an intergenerational introduction to Ms. Paterson and her book, *The Great Gilly Hopkins*. We have purchased 25 books to distribute (one per family.) We will enjoy a fried chicken dinner (one of the character’s favorite meals), a reader’s theater presentation, a movie clip, and other activities to introduce us to the themes of *The Great Gilly Hopkins*. Youth, families of all ages, adults of all ages are invited to join the fun.

Some of Ms. Paterson’s most-celebrated works are *The Bridge To Terabithia* (Newbery winner), *Jacob Have I Loved* (Newbery Winner), and *The Great Gilly Hopkins* (Newbery Honor.) Being Presbyterian is very important to Ms. Paterson. Daughter of Presbyterian missionaries, she grew up in China. She attended King College in Bristol and upon graduation, was a missionary in Japan for 4 years. She married a Presbyterian minister, and began her writing career by writing confirmation curriculum for the PC(USA).

We’re pleased to partner with Maryville College in having Ms. Paterson as our guest.

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN SERIES**

Join us at 5:45 p.m. each Wednesday evening during Lent for a simple meal of soup and bread, followed by a service of evening prayers in the sanctuary. This reflective time focuses on scripture, song and prayer as we prepare ourselves for Easter.

**WOMEN’S MORNING BIBLE STUDY** meets Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the SHOW room.

**THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING** is being collected through Easter Sunday. A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing helps provide access to sustainable food systems, aid and shelter for those affected by natural disasters, and resources for communities working to resolve oppression and injustice.

**SCOTLAND TOUR:** We have received a proposal for the tour to Scotland! There will be an informational meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 11:00 worship service. If you are interested, please join Mary Boyd in the library so you can hear the details.

### **Spring Workday at Westminster**

Come join us for part or all of this workday as we spruce up the church building and grounds.

### **Saturday, April 8, from 8 AM to 12 Noon**

Numerous and diverse jobs for all, both inside and outside

Put on your old clothes and bring your favorite tools to help us clean, weed, plant, haul, saw, mulch, trim, cut, rake, paint, and various other tasks.

You bring the energy and spirit for any part of the time; we’ll provide the jobs and leadership.

Suggested Tools to bring: gloves, rakes, pruners, trimmers, shovels, mattock, wheelbarrows, pitchforks, tarps, blowers, painting supplies.

Help us give WPC a good Spring cleaning.

## **WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Mary Boyd, Education Coordinator

Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Sandra Williams, Administrative Assistant

Rev. Friedrich Schilling, Jr., Pastor Emeritus

Debbie Bendy, Abbey Editor

### **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Lenten Study

McKinnon Room

Rev. John Muntz leads us in our study of Sabbath. Today we’ll talk about

Fragmentation and Identity: How do Post-Modern People Keep Sabbath?

Coffee House

Schilling Gallery

### **WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER**

Are you new to Westminster? Are you interested in joining, but want to know more?

We have a class for you! *Welcome to Westminster* will meet on three consecutive

Sundays, May 7, 14, and 21. Led by Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips, Barbara Adamcik, and

Mary Boyd, the class will tell you everything you need to know about being part of

Westminster Presbyterian Church. Please join us at 10:00 to get the scoop!

### **AARP Smart Driver Course**

Safer driving can save you money. Take the AARP Smart Driver Course and you could reduce your overall maintenance and car insurance costs. Refresh your driving skills and know new rules of the road. Learn research-based driving strategies to help you stay safe behind the wheel. Plus, there are no tests to pass. This course will be held at Westminster on Saturday, April 29, from 9a.m.-5p.m. Cost is \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for others. Contact Paul Johnson at 675-0694 to register or for more information.

### **THE SESSION**

#### **Class of 2017**

Phil Barnette

Bitsy Ingram

William Milam

Bryan Powell

Brenda Seip

Youth Elder: Tolson Bell

Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley

#### **Class of 2018**

Leigh Dunlap

JP Mackay

Linda Van Beke

Wes Williams

Michael Yates

#### **Class of 2019**

Debbie Babelay

Daniel Collins

Terry Crow

Cindy Pearman

Jay Schmid

### **TRUSTEES**

Larry Ridley

Paul Jorden

Alice Mercer

### Prayers for our Westminster Children

We'd like to give you an opportunity to keep our amazing Westminster children in your prayers, one child at a time. On Easter Sunday, there will be a basket of prayer eggs available during our Easter breakfast. If you would like to participate, please take an egg, which will contain the name of a child for you to lift up in prayer from Easter until school starts in the fall. We have lots of children, so this will be a mighty effort, with lots of prayers rising. You do not need to keep your name a secret – you can tell the children and their parents you are praying for them. Think of what a connection you will have with one of our precious children.

### Westminster Players Present

**“The Turn of the Screw”**

**April 28 and April 29**

**7:00 p.m.**

The play is adapted by Jeffrey Hatcher from the story by Henry James. It is quite a mystery. We hope you'll plan to attend one of the performances.



**CHURCH-WIDE PICNIC:** Sign up today for the Westminster picnic to be held on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at noon at the home of Betty and Leonard McKeehan. We will be honoring our 2017 graduating high school seniors. We have hired the Knoxville Trolley to get us to and from the picnic that day. We'll enjoy duck races along the creek, a picnic lunch and fellowship time with one another. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery.

### Mark Your Calendar!

<b>April 8</b>	8:00 a.m.	Church Work Day
<b>April 12</b>	5:45 p.m.	Wednesday Evening Lenten Series
<b>April 13</b>	8:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship
<b>April 16</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>	
	9:00 and 11:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt
<b>April 23</b>	2:00 p.m.	Katherine Paterson visits Westminster
<b>April 28, 29</b>	7:00 p.m.	Westminster Players Present “The Turning of the Screw”
<b>April 30</b>	Noon	Church-Wide Picnic
<b>May 21</b>		Stop Hunger Now! Day

### EASTER FLOWERS

Please help the Flower Guild as they adorn the sanctuary in celebration of Easter. Donations of any amount are welcome and can be made payable to Westminster Flower Guild in honor or memory of loved ones. These names will be included in the Easter Sunday bulletin and *Abbey*. Thank you for supporting this annual tradition.

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In memory of/honor of (circle one):

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Given by: \_\_\_\_\_