



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

October 1, 2017
11:00 A.M.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

World Communion Sunday is a celebration observed by several Christian denominations, taking place on the first Sunday of every October, that promotes Christian unity and ecumenical cooperation. The tradition was begun in 1934 by Rev. Dr. Hugh Thomson Kerr who ministered in the Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh. By 1936 the observance had spread to several other denominations, and by 1940 the National Council of Churches began to promote it to Christian churches worldwide. Dr. Kerr is also the author of the hymn “God of Our Life.”

PRELUDE Two chorale preludes from *Tabulatura Nova* Trond Kverno
Eg veit i himmerik ei borg (*I Know of a Mount in Heaven*)
Min sjel og ånd, oppmuntre deg (*My Soul and Spirit, Take Cheer*)
Chant de Paix (*Song of Peace*) Jean Langlais

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 146 Meredith Mackay, Italian
Leader: Signore!
People: Praise the Lord!
Leader: Lodo il Signore, anima mia!
People: Praise the Lord, O my soul!
Leader: La voglio lodare il Signore finché io vivo,
People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
Leader: Io canterò inni al mio Dio tutta la mia lunga vita.
People: I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 478** (blue hymnal) Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven *Lauda anima*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Jim Mason) John Calvin, Geneva, 1542
O Lord God, eternal and almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge before thy holy majesty that we are poor sinners, prone to do evil, and that in our depravity we transgress thy holy commandments without end or ceasing. Nevertheless, O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended thee; and we condemn ourselves and our sins with true repentance, beseeching thy grace to relieve our distress. O God and Father most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name

of thy Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. And as thou dost blot out our sins, increase in us day by day the grace of thy Holy Spirit. Amen.

***RESPONSE** Take, O Take Me as I Am John L. Bell

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** John 3:16 Maggie Gordon, Spanish

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE** Celtic Alleluia (*sing twice*) Fintan O’Carroll

TO EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 17:1-7, Philippians 2: 1-8

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN JP Mackay

Children age 3 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs for Children’s Worship.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21: 28-32

SERMON “Is the LORD among us or not?” Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

***HYMN NO. 275** (blue hymnal) God of Our Life *Sandon*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional) William Hahn, Portuguese

Leader: Creio em Deus Pai, Todo-poderoso, Criador do Céu e da terra.

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: Creio em Jesus Cristo, seu único Filho, nosso Senhor, o qual foi concebido por obra do Espírito Santo; nasceu da virgem Maria; padeceu sob o poder de Pôncio Pilatos, foi crucificado, morto e sepultado; desceu ao Hades; ressurgiu dos mortos ao terceiro dia; subiu ao Céu; está sentado à direita de Deus Pai Todo-poderoso, donde há de vir para julgar os vivos e os mortos.

People: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

Leader: Creio no Espírito Santo; na santa Igreja catolica; na comunhão dos santos; na remissão dos pecados; na ressurreição do corpo; na vida eterna. Amém.

People: I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Caroline and Brooke Sudlow

THE OFFERING Daniel Berry, German

Kommen Sie, lassen Sie uns unsere Geschenke und Angebote zum Herrn bringen!

(Come, let us bring our gifts and offerings unto the Lord!)

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 Psalm 118: Alleluia, This Is the Day! Brad Croushorn

Alleluia. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, “His mercy endures forever.” Let us sing alleluia. The right hand of God is exalted; the right hand of God has struck

with pow’r. I shall not die, but I shall live, and declare the works of God. Let us sing alleluia. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. Let us sing alleluia!

from Psalm 118: 1-2,16-17,22-24

Meredith Mackay, Soprano

Chancel Choir

Westminster Choristers

Robert Adamcik, Percussion

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology

Lasst uns erfreuen

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (responsive)

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.

(Prayer continues)...to the glory of your name.

(Prayer continues)...Great is the mystery of faith.

HYMN NO. 457 (blue hymnal) I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art *Toulon*

Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness, No harshness hast Thou and no bitterness: O grant to us the grace we find in Thee, That we may dwell in perfect Unity.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION Scott Brunger, Goun

Jesu Klisti wê yin miongban na ayihon. éné wutu, mi to tafo wiwé lôkon po épo (Jesus Christ is the light of the world. We will partake of Holy Communion through him.)

SHARING THE SACRAMENT

The congregation will be ushered to the Table, beginning with the first pews on either side of the aisle.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION Communion in e, Op. 39, No. 5 Alexandre Guilmant

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION/THE LORD’S PRAYER Clara Oakes, French

People: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Leader: Notre Père, qui es aux cieux, que ton nom soit sanctifié,

People: Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Leader: Que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel.

People: Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

Leader: Donne-nous aujourd’hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés.

People: And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Leader: Et ne nous soumet pas à la tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal,

People: For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Leader: Car c’est à toi qu’appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, aux siècles des siècles. Amen.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Debbie Babelay, American Sign Language
The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**
Hymn No. 535 (blue hymnal) Go with Us, Lord *Tallis' Canon*
(Sing in canon, with the pulpit side of the congregation beginning)

POSTLUDE Prélude (from *Suite Médiévale*) Jean Langlais

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Scott Brunger and Leigh Dunlap
CARE TEAM COORDINATORS OCTOBER 1-15: Bill and Bonnie Rogers
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from the ushers.

SERVING TODAY
ACOLYTES: Hannah Mathews and Anna Grace Gilbert
GREETERS: Susan and Robert McKeegan
MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Chancel Choir and Westminster Choristers
SENIOR USHER: Bill Wiesehuegel
USHERS: Don Graham, David and Shawn Owens, Ashley and Scott Porter
SAFETY TEAM: Jim Boyd
FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in memory of Mildred and Leslie Kelley, and Gordon and J. R. Jorden by Judy and Paul Jorden.

OUR THANKS to Bob Adamcik for his enrichment of our worship this morning as he accompanies the choirs.

KIDS CORNER

Nursery: (9:00) 0-5 year olds during Worship Service
(10:00) 0-2 year olds during Sunday School
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Sunday School: Children meet at 10:00 in the downstairs Fellowship Hall before splitting into small groups.
Children's Worship: Kids age 3 through 2nd grade are invited to join us for Time With The Children before heading downstairs for Children's Worship.

KIDS CLUB: Join us after worship for lunch and painting pumpkins. We've scheduled this so that youth trying out for the play can participate also.

CHRISTMAS AUDITIONS: We are holding auditions for Westminster Players' annual Children and Youth Christmas drama is TODAY. All actors from 5 years old thru high school are welcome. We will gather directly after the late service (2nd grade and older should bring a lunch). Kindergarten through 2nd grade will audition

first and finish by 12:20. Older kids will audition from 12:20 to 1:30. Our play this year: *Junie B. Jones, Jingle Bells Batman Smells P.S. So Does Mae!* **Lunch will be provided and rides have been arranged for youth to get to the Hunger Hike after auditions.**

HUNGER HIKE: Be on the watch for teenagers collecting money. The youth are "hitting the pavement" again, and marching again to help relieve hunger at the Hunger Hike around Victor Ashe Park. This year, they have voted to walk in support of 2 great organizations: our local Remote Area Medical (bringing water and food to hurricane victims) and the Bearden FISH pantry. All our youth will be collecting donations today. Look for them in the Schilling Gallery and Narthex! Want to join us? We're looking for team members to walk with us!! If you are up for it, meet us at the Victor Ashe Park Shelter (4901 Bradshaw- near Northwest Middle School) by 2:00 p.m. Thanks, as always, for your support!!

WOMENS BIBLE STUDY: Our Bible study groups for women have begun, using the Presbyterian Women's Horizons Bible Study curriculum. This year, the study is on the book of Hebrews, and is entitled *Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews*. The evening study meets tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m. in the church library. The morning group meets October 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the SHOW room. If you would like a study guide in advance, speak to Mary Boyd. The books are \$10 each.

WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER: The inaugural WWW program will be this Wednesday, October 4. Dinner will be served from 5:45-6:30, and made by Betty McKeegan (the youth's favorite cook!) and her wonderful cooking team. After dinner, the youth will share stories and photographs that tell the story of their amazing summer. WPC generously sponsored 2 amazing trips this summer: Montreat and the Maryville College Operation Back Yard. All are invited to come hear the youth tell their inspiring stories of transformation, both inward and out!!!

COMMUNITY CHEST OF KNOXVILLE is collecting clothing and small household items October 7. Bring items to Episcopal Church of the Ascension.

MUSIC FROM AROUND THE WORLD is brought to worship today. The prelude includes two chorales by Norwegian composer and organist Trond Kverno, an influential proponent of church music in his native country, where his music is widely performed. His *Tabulatura Nova* is based on the landmark work of the same name by the late Renaissance-early Baroque composer Samuel Scheidt. Other organ music is by Parisian organist Jean Langlais. This morning's offertory anthem has an African feel and vitality, though it is by American composer Brad Croushorn. He writes, in his website, "Secular or sacred, and everything between, I aim to infuse an element of uplifting energy into my songwriting, crafting songs with a message that will touch the minds and hearts of my listeners. I hope my music will inspire a chain reaction of encouragement and care to others." He currently serves as Music Director and Organist at Milner Memorial Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, North Carolina.

A FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST IN THE PARK is planned for Saturday, October 7th, 9:00 AM at Metcalf Bottoms Picnic Area in the Smoky Mountain National Park. Today is the last day to RSVP.

CHURCH WORKDAY is scheduled for October 21 from 8 AM - 12. Help us with small tasks that make a big difference.

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Mary Boyd, Education Coordinator
Allie Brewington, Director of Children's Ministries
Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper
Melissa Everett, Administrative Assistant
Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE: We will continually be collecting money for Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma relief efforts. Checks can be made payable to Westminster for the flooding (mark the memo line DR000169-Harvey or DR000194-Irma) and we will forward monies to PDA. The donation will be included in your yearly WPC contribution statement. presbyterianmission.org/pda

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THE SESSION AND TRUSTEES

Class of 2018: Leigh Dunlap, JP Mackay, Linda VanBeke, Wes Williams, Michael Yates, and Youth Elder Clara Oakes
Class of 2019: Debbie Babelay, Daniel Collins, Terry Crow, Cindy Pearman, Jay Schmid
Class of 2020: Scott Brunger, James Everett, Andrew Gordon, Susan McKeegan, Shawn Owens
Trustees: Paul Jorden, Alice Mercer, Reed Ellis

WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER CONTINUED

DIETRICH BONHOEFFER: THE CONFESSING CHURCH AND NAZI GERMANY

Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945) was a German Lutheran Pastor, Theologian, Activist and one of the founding members of the Confessing Church movement, a movement of Christian leaders who opposed Adolph Hitler. Bonhoeffer's life and work continue to inspire people across the broad spectrum of religious thinking. This class will look at the political and theological background of Nazi Germany and then focus specifically on Bonhoeffer and the way his thinking about God and faith was shaped by the world around him. I will be using two books primarily and class participants are encouraged to get either or both. For a close look at Bonhoeffer himself, we will use *Dietrich Bonhoeffer: Letters & Papers from Prison*. Not an easy book to read, it does allow us to look at both Bonhoeffer the person as well as the theologian. If you prefer a more readable book, we will also be drawing from *A Spoke in the Wheel: The Life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer* by Renate Wind, a brief but very informative biography. For those who want to dig a little deeper, so to speak, I would suggest looking at the following works by Bonhoeffer:

The Cost of Discipleship - Will dedicate a class to this book and would love for some folks to engage this work.

Ethics

Meditations on the Cross - A collection of daily devotions

Psalms: The Prayer Book of the Bible

We will be placing an order for *Letters and Papers from Prison* and *A Spoke in the Wheel* for \$15 per book. Please let Melissa Everett (melissa_wpc@comcast.net) know as soon as possible if you would like to order one of the books. Both are also available for Kindle if you would prefer to order on your own.

BUCKET LIST CLASS

Our second class offering for Wednesday evenings will be this semester's "Bucket List" hands-on activity. We are hoping to provide a unique opportunity for everyone to try doing something adventurous. Maybe it will be something that has always been on your "bucket list" of things to learn to do... Maybe it will be something you've never thought about, but it sounds fun and you'd like to give it a try. You're guaranteed to have a blast, and make new friends doing it.

This semester's class will be -- STAINED GLASS!! From October 18 to November 5, Barbara Adamcik will teach you the beautiful craft of making stained glass art. By the end of the 5 one hour sessions, you will have an 8-12 inch square piece of art and at least one Christmas ornament. Barbara will have pre-made designs, or invent and assemble your own design. This activity is most appropriate for participants 10 years thru adult.

October 18 - Handling & cutting glass, how it fits together, basic soldering (everyone will get the opportunity to assemble and solder a small project.)

October 25- November 8-- Designing and making your windows

November 15-- Making stained glass ornaments

We are suggesting participants pay a \$10 materials fee for this 5-week class. (It is not required.)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL FALL 2017

The Wired Word

You'll receive an email each week that includes a story pulled from the current headlines. It's a chance to look at the news with scripture in hand. The class will meet in the Prayer Room, and discussion will be lead by a rotating group of facilitators. The only thing you need is a smartphone or tablet. If you have not received Wired Word emails in the past, let Mary know you want to be added to the class list. Facilitators will include Scott and Ashley Porter, Jeff and Amy Gilbert, David and Shawn Owens, and Jack Carley.

Bible Study

Scott Brunger leads a group in the church library that digs DEEP into scriptures each week. Typically, the class chooses a book of the Bible and works its way through, verse by verse. The newest topic is the second portion of Isaiah.

Feasting on the Word

This is a curriculum from the PC(USA) that is lectionary-based. You get an opportunity to hear and study the texts that will likely be read in worship that same day. The take on the texts may not be exactly what you hear from the pulpit, but can provide another perspective on the scriptures. The class will be taught on a rotating basis by Linda Judge-McRae, Phil Barnette, Tim Crais, and UKirk's Campus Minister, Andy Morgan.

Faith and Life

This class will resume October 15 with lessons on suicide prevention led by Kristi Gordon and Michael Yates.