



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

November 26, 2017

9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

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.

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

PRELUDE Pièce pour Orgue, No. 1 (from *L’Organiste*) César Franck

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

People: **Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.**

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his;

People: **We are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise.

People: **Give thanks to him, bless his name.**

Leader: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

People: **And his faithfulness to all generations.**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 142** (blue hymnal) All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name! *Coronation*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

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 ...

PROPHECY Ezekiel 34:11-24

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Carolyn Greenwood

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

GOSPEL READING Matthew 20:20-28

SERMON “What kind of King?” Rev. John Linton Muntz

“I will save my flock . . . and I will judge between the sheep and the sheep.”

Ezekiel 34:22

***HYMN NO. 145** (blue hymnal) Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! *Marion*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

Almighty God, who raised Jesus Christ from the dead and set him above all rule and authority, has given to him all power in heaven and on earth, not only in this age but also in the age to come. God has put all things under the Lordship of Jesus Christ and has made Christ Head of the Church, which is his body. The Church’s life and mission are a joyful participation in Christ’s ongoing life and work.

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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 I Will Always Give Thanks Robert King

I will always give thanks unto the Lord, His praise shall ever be in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear thereof and

be glad. Praise the Lord with me, and let us magnify His name together.

Psalm 34:1-3

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 551** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

St. George’s Windsor

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Ricercare

Floriano Arresti

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Debbie Babelay and Andrew Gordon

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR NOV 16-30: Susan Baughman, Brenda Seip

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): Bobby Manrod and Frank Manrod

GREETERS (11:00): Buz and Lucy Johnson

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Chancel Choir

SAFETY TEAM: Hap McSween

SENIOR USHER: Tim Ryan

USHERS:

(9:00) Stephanie Lynch-Wright and Cile Mathews

(11:00) Reed Ellis, Bill Holt, Buz Johnson, Joyce Ryan and Tim Ryan

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY given by Sharon Evers in memory of her parents, Cliff and Josephine Foote.

CÉSAR FRANCK composed his collection of short keyboard works, *L’Organiste*, in 1889 and 1890, the last two years of his life. He wrote these for the harmonium, a reed organ usually without pedal (at the time very popular in smaller churches and homes of the affluent), though they are now most commonly played on the organ. Franck included 59 pieces, though he had originally intended to compose 91, seven in each key. *L’Organiste* was published in Paris in 1892.

WESTMINSTER CHORISTERS will rehearse this afternoon at 4:00.

THE COLOR OF PARAMENTS changes with the Liturgical Seasons. Green is the color of the paraments during Ordinary Time, between Trinity Sunday and the beginning of Advent.

Over the last several years, more and more liturgical churches have returned to using blue as the color associated with the season of Advent. Blue was used, in fact, until the Middle Ages, when blue dye became too expensive to produce and purple was substituted. Thus, the color purple was used for both advent as well as the season of Lent. This year Westminster joins many churches in returning to the color blue for reasons both historical and theological. Blue was the color associated with the Virgin Mary, and the season of Advent finds us waiting with her for the birth of God incarnate in the baby Jesus. Further, while Lenten purple marks a time of penitence and a focus on the suffering of our Lord, the color blue reminded early Christians that Advent was a season focused on hope, expectation and the anticipation of those awaiting the birth of the Savior.

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: On Sunday, December 3rd, our annual Alternative Christmas Bazaar will take place in the Schilling Gallery between the 9:00 and 11:00 worship services. As many of you know, the Bazaar provides our members with an opportunity to purchase thoughtful Christmas gifts, with the proceeds going toward the support of several worthwhile causes. Several groups are expected to be there with their items to sell. The Mission Service Team hopes that you will participate in this very worthwhile event.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES: We will be having two services on Sunday, December 24, 11:00 AM and 11:00 PM. This will be the same service offered at two different times.

KIDS CORNER

Nursery: (9:00) 0-5 year olds during Worship Service
 (10:00) 0-2 year olds during Sunday School
 (11:00) 0-2 year olds during Worship Service

Sunday School: Pre-K (3-5 YO), K-1st grade, and 2nd-4th grades. 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.

NEW MEXIQUEST ADULT TRIP: We are pleased to announce we are planning a trip for September 29 thru October 3, 2018 to visit many sacred places in northwestern New Mexico! There will be an gathering on Monday, November 27, 6-7 p.m. in the McKinnon room to discuss all of the details, including the cost. We will also discuss transportation options. Southwestern snacks will be provided. We hope all who are interested will come. Questions? Call Barbara at 865-.

ADULT SERVICE PROJECT: On Wednesday, December 6, from 5-8 PM all Westminster adults (18+) are invited to help at the Angel Tree Distribution Center, 11238 Kingston Pike, the old Kroger building, with checking, sorting and organizing thousands of gifts for the angel tree kids. Call Barbara for more information.

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER HOLIDAY STORE is a program through which recipients of VMC services earn gift items for their loved ones with points accrued through community service. Individuals redeem their points to purchase items they select at the Holiday Store. We have the opportunity to help stock the VMC Holiday Store with items such as: basketballs and footballs, dolls, infant toys, craft sets for children and adults, cosmetic sets, hair care sets, fragrance sets for men and women, tool kits, small kitchen appliances, or other similar things that would be nice gifts.

Donations are being collected in the large decorated box in the Schilling Gallery.

ADVENT GIFT OPPORTUNITY

When Knoxville area teens run afoul of the law, they are sent to the Richard L. Bean Juvenile Service Center. These young people range in age from 14-17, and are both boys and girls. They may be there for several days, weeks, or months. This Advent season, as we did last year, we would like to show God's love to them, to let them know that someone is thinking of them and praying for them. If you would like to participate, bring a Christmas gift bag with any of the following items in it:

- Hats, scarves, gloves (choose non-gender specific colors if possible)
- Throw blankets
- Socks, slippers
- Combs, brushes, small mirrors
- Nail polish, lipstick, lotions, shampoo, conditioner
- Hair ornaments, scrunchies
- Small games, game books, playing cards, books
- Pens, pencils, colored pencils, adult coloring books, writing papers
- Chocolate, candy, etc.
- Gifts cards to McDonald's or other fast food
- Other small things you think a teen would like

Put your bag on the gift table in the Schilling Gallery by Sunday, December 17. We will add a tag telling the teen that the gift comes to them from Westminster with our prayers, and we'll deliver the gifts to the Center before Christmas. Thanks to the whole Westminster family for your giving spirit!

ADVENT FLORAL DONATIONS are being accepted. There is no set amount for each dedication. A list of donations will be included in the Christmas Eve bulletins as well as the *Abbey*. Donations can be placed in the offering plate or brought to the office.



I would like to contribute to the Flower Guild for Advent:

\$ _____

In memory of/honor of (circle one):

Given by: _____

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS

The Wired Word (Current Topics) Prayer Room
Bible Study Library
Feasting on the Word (Lectionary-based Bible study) McKinnon Room

WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER: Learn about the history of our congregation and take a tour of our campus with Mary Boyd, next Sunday. This week, Barbara Adamcik will tell you of all the ways to get connected with programs offered. This class meets in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM.

JUNIE B. JONES REHEARSAL TODAY: All actors, except Kindergarten "angel chorus", will rehearse for our play, *Junie B. Jones: Jingle Bells, Batman Smells, P.S. So Does May* today from noon-2. Please bring your lunch!

DECEMBER EVENTS

Sunday, December 10
 6:00 PM Youth Christmas Play, *Junie B. Jones: Jingle Bells, Batman Smells, P.S. So Does May*
Wednesday, December 13
 5:30 PM - Advent Craft Night, Jazz Concert and Potluck Dinner
Saturday, December 16
 10:00 AM Salvation Army Bell Ringing (Sign up for your spot next week!)
Sunday, December 17
 9:00 and 11:00 AM - Worship
 10:00 AM - Christmas Breakfast
Sunday, December 24
 11:00 AM and 11:00 PM - Christmas Eve Worship

THE SESSION

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, Vicki Mayfield, Cindy Pearman, Jay Schmid
Class of 2020: Scott Brunger, James Everett, Andrew Gordon, Susan McKeehan, Shawn Owens
Youth Elder: Clara Oakes
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