



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship February 11, 2018
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

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.

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

PRELUDE
(9:00) Élévation (from Messe Basse) Louis Vierne
(11:00) Da Pacem Domine à 6 Orlandus Lassus
The Washington Cornett and Sackbutt Ensemble

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (9:00) O Praise God George Thalben-Ball
O praise God in his holiness; praise him in the firmament of his power.

Psalm 150:1
CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100:1,2,5

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God’s presence with singing!
People: For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 263 (blue hymnal) Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise St. Denio
*CALL TO CONFESSION
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)
Gracious God, we come before you to confess our sins. When we have acted out of fear and anger and selfishness, we have sinned. When our thoughts have been small-minded and bitter, we have sinned. When our words have been unfeeling and uncaring and thoughtless, we have sinned. When we have wasted your gifts and possibilities, we have sinned. When our lives have become so self-centered that we are no longer centered selves, we have sinned. When for whatever reason we have passed by those in need, we have sinned. We ask for forgiveness and renewal in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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. 579 (blue hymnal) Henry W. Greatorex

TO EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING II Corinthians 4:5-10
A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Julia Whipple
Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children’s Worship.
SCRIPTURE READING Mark 9:2-9
SERMON “Turn and face the strange ... ch-ch-changes” Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips
Changes -- David Bowie

*HYMN NO. 376 (blue hymnal) Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Hyfrydol
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) adapted, Romans 12:9-21
Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink. Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00) Connect Ministry Team
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) This Is My Beloved Son Knut Nystedt
He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said: “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him.”

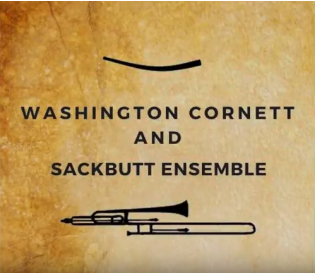
Matthew 17:5
Meredith Mackay, Soprano
(11:00) La Vittoria Giovanni Martino Cesare
The Washington Cornett and Sackbutt Ensemble
*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology No. 514 (red hymnal) Old Hundredth
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (11:00)
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) (9:00) Amen
Danish melody
*POSTLUDE
(9:00) Canzona Domenico Zipoli
(11:00) Sonata à 5 Daniel Speer
(The congregation is invited to remain seated.)
The Washington Cornett and Sackbutt Ensemble

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS



WE WELCOME The Washington Cornett and Sackbutt Ensemble to Westminster Church and thank them for their enrichment of our worship this morning. We are privileged to have this rare opportunity to hear and enjoy early music played on period instruments and we are grateful! These instruments are the precursors of our modern trumpets and trombones and were the instruments upon which much of the great early music (now claimed by brass players) was actually played. Members of the group are Barry Bocaner, Bozena Jedrzejczak Brown, Stanley Curtis, Michael Holmes, David Miller, Patrick O’Connell, and David Searle (who grew up in our congregation and contributed greatly to many of Westminster’s choirs). I am pleased to mention that we have the opportunity to hear the group in concert this afternoon at 5:00 at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension. I hope you can attend!

Peter Van Eenam

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Shawn Owens and James Everett
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR FEBRUARY 1-15: Lana Daverman and Susan McKeehan

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): Sophia and Will Manrod

GREETERS (11:00): Kathy and John Shilling

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Chancel Choir

(11:00) The Washington Cornett and Sackbutt Ensemble

SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Reed Ellis

SENIOR USHER: Tom Byerley

USHERS:

(9:00) Rob McKeehan and John Styron

(11:00) Gordon and Robin Greeson, David and Shawn Owens, and Lalla Phillips

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Susan Baughman in memory of her husband, Richard Baughman.

THE BIRTH CANDLE is lit today in celebration of the birth of Grant Richard Birdwell, to parents Josh and Elizabeth Birdwell and brothers, Jason and Ward Birdwell on February 2nd.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called for today, February 11, 2018, at the 11:00 service to present the 2018 budget to the congregation, to elect the 2018 Nominating Committee and to review the terms of call for Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips.

COMPANIONS CLASS is a spiritual development experience for women who seek a spiritual community in which to explore spiritual practices, deepen understanding of the scriptures and share in the contemplative experience. It is an open group, averaging eight to ten participants each week with some individuals participating as schedule permits. The class meets on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00. All are welcome.

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION is today following the 11:00 worship service in the Schilling Gallery. Please join us for lemonade and cookies.

KIDS CLUB will be rescheduled for a future date when the flu isn’t so prevalent.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

February 14 - 7:00 p.m.



You are invited to join us in the Sanctuary on Wednesday evening, February 14th as we begin our journey toward Easter. The season of Lent continues for 40 days, not counting Sundays, and prepares us for the celebration of the resurrection of Christ.

LENTEN WEDNESDAYS: As we move into Lent on Ash Wednesday, we leave our WWW series on Bonhoeffer behind. Many thanks to Dr. Phillips for leading this enlightening look at the martyred theologian. Thanks also to our meal teams, who provided dinner for us each week. Beginning on February 21, we will have Wednesday evening soup suppers followed by Lenten prayer services. The soup is plentiful, so no one will go hungry, but in keeping with Lenten practice, it is a simple meal of soup and bread. Please join us each Wednesday at 5:45 for a meal together, then move with us into the sanctuary for prayer.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS: If you would like to make a pot of soup on a Wednesday night in lent for WWW please email Mary Boyd at marybwpc@gmail.com.

EYEGLASS CLINIC AND VBS IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: It is time for another International Mission Trip! We are partnering with Rev. Chris Carrasco's church, King's Grant Presbyterian Church, to go back to the Dominican Republic this coming June. We will be performing an eyeglass clinic, as well as providing a summer Vacation Bible School experience for the kids. We need about 9 volunteers. It will be very rewarding and enjoyable as well. The plan is to leave on the 16th or 17th, and return the following Saturday or Sunday. The main expense will be airfare (\$800 +/-). Please contact William Milam by February 14 if you have questions. There is scholarship funding available. If you are looking for an opportunity to live out your faith, this may be what you seek.

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.

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is Tuesday, February 13th. The Christian Formation ministry team will provide our refreshments.

**WESTMINSTER’S ANNUAL
PROGRESSIVE DINNER**

Friday, February 16, 6:00 pm

The Progressive Dinner is a great way to get to know new members as well as catch up with members you’ve known for a while. Sign-up sheets are in the Schilling Gallery. Please note whether you’ll being an appetizer or will contribute to the beverage fund. If you need a gluten free dinner, please also note that on the sign-up sheet. **Please RSVP by February 11.** We begin the evening with appetizers and fellowship at 6:00 p.m. at Buckingham Clubhouse, 7303 Manderly Way, 37909. At 6:30 we divide into groups and go to our host’s homes for dinner and dessert. Our dinner menu is lasagna, salad, bread, and dessert. The cost of \$12 per person is collected when we gather for appetizers.



Progressive Dinner!

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Bible Study - Adult Bible study meets in the library and is led by Scott Brunger. The class is studying the Pauline Epistle to the Colossians, followed by the letter to Titus.

The Wired Word - Led by a rotating group of teachers, this class takes a look at how scripture addresses current topics. All you need is a smart phone or tablet. The class meets in the Prayer Room.

Feasting on the Word - This lectionary-based study provides some background for the scriptures read during worship each week. Also led by a teaching team, this class meets in the McKinnon Room. THIS CLASS WILL SERVE AS OUR LENTEN STUDY THIS YEAR.

SHOW and WAMS: This evening will be our Valentine’s Day Party and parent’s meeting – Not the mushy gushy kind of party but everyone will feel well loved by the end of the evening! Celebration starts at 5:00 and at 6:30 parents arrive for a meeting to make decisions about our summer missions and Montreat.

THE SESSION

Class of 2018

Leigh Dunlap

JP Mackay

Linda Van Beke

Wes Williams

Michael Yates

Youth Elder: Clara Oakes

Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley

Class of 2019

Debbie Babelay

Daniel Collins

Vicki Mayfield

Cindy Pearman

Jay Schmid

Class of 2020

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James Everett

Andrew Gordon

Susan McKeehan

Shawn Owens

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