

The Order of Worship

March 18, 2018 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.

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

PRELUDE Trio de Flûtes (from Suite on the Second Tone)

Jean Adam Guilain

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) Lord Jesus, Think on Me

Southwell

Lord Jesus, think on me, And purge away my sin; From earth-born passions set me free, And make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me, That, when this life is past, I may the eternal brightness see, And share Thy joy at last.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Synesius of Cyrene Adapted, Psalm 147

Leader: The LORD builds up ... gathers the outcasts ... heals the brokenhearted

...lifts up the downtrodden ... Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving.

People: Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for God

is gracious and a song of praise is fitting.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Allie Brewington

Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children's Worship.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 12:20-33

SERMON "Which Jesus Do We See?" Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

*HYMN NO. 101 (blue hymnal) When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hamburg

*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.

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) Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren

C. V. Stanford

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation Brass Choir and Organ

(11:00) Hear Me, Lord (from *Stabat Mater*)

Franz Schubert

arr. Maynard Klein

Hear me, Lord, my God and Savior, as I look to Thee for refuge. Thou who hears a sinner's plea!

Maynard Klein

*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology No. 591 (blue hymnal) Tallis' Canon (Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 542 (blue hymnal))

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 427 (blue hymnal) (11:00) Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service Beach Spring

(See insert)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody

*POSTLUDE Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren

Johann Gottfried Walther

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Vicki Mayfield and Scott Brunger CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR MARCH 16-31: Cindy Spangler LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from the

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SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Ella Chattin and Gracie Kringen **GREETERS** (11:00): Sue Caradine and Linda Rutherford

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Allie Brewington

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Brass Choir

(11:00) Chancel Choir

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Tom Byerley **SENIOR USHER:** Cile Mathews

USHERS:

(9:00) Daniel Berry, Rob McKeehan

(11:00) Ann Allison-Coté, Susan Baughman, Brian Bonnyman, John and Kathy Shilling

<u>FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY</u> are given by John and Virginia Eaddy in thankfulness to our Church Family for their past and present prayers as John lives with cancer side effects.

MAYNARD KLEIN, the arranger of this morning's anthem by Franz Schubert, was the legendary director of choral activities at the University of Michigan for many years during the middle of the last century. He was much loved and revered for his warmth and wit, as well as for his many gifts as a choral conductor, teacher, and editor/arranger.

THE CONGREGATION IS CORDIALLY INVITED to an organ and harpsichord recital by John Brock, Professor Emeritus of Organ at UT and friend of this congregation, tomorrow evening at 7:30, in the sanctuary. His program is presented in conjunction with the Knoxville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and is entitled *J. S. Bach at 333: A Look at Bach's Life and His Keyboard Music.* We will be guided through a look at Bach's life and keyboard works from each period and hear representative works for both harpsichord and organ. There is no charge for admission. I hope you'll join us tomorrow night!

Peter Van Eenam

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is scheduled for March 20 at 7:00 PM, which is a change due to Knox County Spring Break. Refreshments will be provided by the Worship, Music, and the Arts Ministry Team.

<u>ABBEY DEADLINE</u> is today. Please email your articles to Debbie Bendy (unitedprinters@comcast.net).

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: 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.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Bible Study - Adult Bible study meets in the library and is led by Scott Brunger. The class is studying Paul's 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. This group 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.

<u>LENTEN WEDNESDAYS</u>: On March 21, we will have Wednesday evening soup supper followed by Lenten prayer service. 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 Wednesday at 5:45 for a meal together, then move with us into the sanctuary for prayer.



Thursday, March 29 8:00 pm We hope you'll join us for this very meaningful service

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING: This special offering will be collected during the Season of Lent. Around the world, OGHS ministries bridge the divides that tear apart the lives of individuals and communities.

EASTER BREAKFAST: This year the Easter Breakfast will be a potluck. We need you! If you are willing to bring a dish, please sign up at Allie's desk in the church office, or email allie_wpc@comcast.net letting her know what item you'll be providing. Some ideas: breakfast casserole, grits, fruit, muffins, doughnuts, eggs, bacon, sausage, quiche, yogurt, biscuits, etc. Homemade or store bought, it's all good!

MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP: Our next meeting will be Thursday March 22 at 7:30 am. Bill Rogers will present a lesson entitled 'Who Can I Believe?--A look at alternative viewpoints and ways of dealing/coping with the facts'. Breakfast will be provided courtesy of Bud Cunningham. No reservations are necessary and all men are welcome. Come join us and bring a friend.

<u>SHOW AND WAMS</u> will be on vacation the next two weeks and will resume March 29 after the Maundy Thursday services at 9:00 PM for a lock-in!

<u>KIDS CLUB:</u> We will meet March 25 in the McKinnon Room to dye Easter eggs! Lunch and dessert will be provided. Kids of all ages are welcome. Let's hop to it!

<u>SCHILLING GALLERY EXHIBITS:</u> Be sure to enjoy new works on display from Max Robinson, Coral Grace Turner and Melissa Everett.

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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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