

Second Sunday in



The Order of Worship

February 21, 2016
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.

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

PRELUDE Prémambule (from 24 Pieces in Free Style) Louis Vierne

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Adapted, The Book of Isaiah, Chapter 40

Leader: Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

People: The LORD does not faint or grow weary; God's understanding is unsearchable. The LORD gives power to the faint of heart and strengthens the powerless.

Leader: Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;

People: but those who wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength,

ALL: they shall be mounted up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 488 (blue hymnal) The God of Abraham Praise *Leoni*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*LITANY OF CONFESSION

Leader: Gracious God, hear us as we open ourselves to you. When we obey the voice of the world rather than concern ourselves with your guidance and leading,

People: Forgive us, gracious God...

Leader: When we critically judge others without wanting to look at ourselves,

People: Forgive us, God of mercy...

Leader: When we fail to love any of your people out of prejudice and fear,

People: Forgive us, God of all creation...

Leader: When we envy the greatest among us rather than speak up for the least of these,

People: Forgive us, God of compassion...

Leader: God of love, let your forgiveness flow to us and through us,

People: that our lives and our life together might become signs of faith, hope and love.

*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 Mark 1:29-39; I Corinthians 9:16-25

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Ellen Anderson

Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in

Children's Worship.

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 4:1-8

SERMON Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

“Mabel, Delores, and why I'm too upset

to talk about the second temptation of Jesus”

*HYMN NO. 339 (blue hymnal) Be Thou My Vision *Slane*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) I Corinthians 13:1-7

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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

(9:00) Gaudeamus omnes William Byrd
trans. Scott Hartman

Brass Choir

(11:00) O Lord, Increase My Faith Henry Loosemore
formerly attr. Orlando Gibbons

O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in Thy true faith; endue me with wisdom, charity, and patience, in all my adversity, sweet Jesus, say Amen.

Anonymous

*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

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 420 (blue hymnal) (11:00) God of Grace and God of Glory *Cwm Rhondda*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody
William Boyce

*POSTLUDE Voluntary in a

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Vicki Mayfield and Jerry Faerber

CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR THIS WEEK: Lucy Johnson and Shirley

Wittman

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Abby Hatmaker and Ella Wright

GREETERS (11:00): Mark and Teresa Palmer

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Angela Grobe, Fiona Collins and Lucy Gordon

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Brass Choir

(11:00) Chancel Choir

SENIOR USHER: Tom Byerley

USHERS:

(9:00) Daniel Berry and Scott Brunger

(11:00) Leonard and Betty McKeehan, Ashley and Scott Porter, Lalla Phillips

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Paula Hogan in honor of her mother, Marjorie Hogan on her 80th birthday.

ORGANIST AND COMPOSER HENRY LOOSEMORE was born around 1600 in Devonshire, England, the son of an organbuilder. He was appointed organist at King's College, Cambridge, in 1627 and graduated from Cambridge University in 1640. From 1652 to 1660 he was resident organist at Kirtling, Cambridgeshire, afterwards becoming organist of Exeter Cathedral. He returned to Cambridge to spend the last years of his life in the service of King's College before his death in 1670. This morning's motet, formerly attributed to the great Orlando Gibbons, shows Loosemore's fine contrapuntal skill.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR, accompanied by a chamber ensemble, will sing John Rutter's *Requiem* on Sunday morning, March 6. The choir and I have enjoyed preparing this lovely work over a number of months and look forward to sharing it with you in worship that morning!

Peter Van Eenam

THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING is being collected through Easter Sunday. A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, providing food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

YOUTH NEWS:

SHOW AND WAMS meet at 5:00 this evening for dinner and game night. Shirley Wittman and her friends are back by popular demand! Novice and experienced Joker players will enjoy our tournament. We'll have a beginner level tournament and also an experienced (pro-level) tournament going on simultaneously. We'll have lots of prizes to give out, too! Thank you, Shirley, for teaching us this great game!

LEAP OF FAITH FUNDRAISING EVENT:

February 28th at noon. We Need Your Help!

It's Leap Year! The youth are inviting everyone to enjoy one of our legendary cook-offs and try something new. This year, we are hosting a stew, bread, and dessert** cook-off. (**The desserts are the only competitive division.) Everyone is invited to bring their favorite stew, dessert, or bread for all to enjoy. While we're lunching together, you'll have the opportunity to take a leap of faith and try something new. Have you ever wanted to play in a drum circle? Or learn the latest dance? Or try your hand at stand-up? Take a leap and try something new (or support your friends as they try.) All proceeds will help fund the youth's summer service projects. Sign up sheets are posted by the office and bulletin boards, or you can call and let us know what you're bringing. Thanks for your support!

YOUTH SUMMER PLANS: The summer experiences for which the youth are raising funds are the Appalachian Service Project in West Virginia for SHOW and the Win Our World Urban Ministry for WAMS.

THE EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY CLASS meets this morning Monday, October 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the SHOW room.

DUNGAN LECTURE SERIES: Harvard professor Jonathan L. Walton will be the speaker for the annual lecture series in memory of Dave Dungan. Dr. Walton's lecture, "Jesus Christ, CEO! The Transformation of Jesus from Fisherman to Financial Role Model in the 20th Century" will be presented Tuesday, February 23rd at 5:30 p.m. at the James R. Cox Auditorium on the UT campus. For complete details, see the poster located on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery.

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.

MEN'S COVENANT BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP: On Thursday, February 25th, the men of Westminster will gather in the McKinnon Room at 7:30 a.m. for our next meeting and lesson. The lesson entitled, "Should We Be Alarmed by Recent UT Events?" will be presented by Tim Ryan. Breakfast will be provided courtesy of Tim Crais. No reservation is necessary and all men are welcome. Bring a friend. Please view the webpage at wpcknox.org/westminsternen for details and access to a copy of the lesson. Thanks and have a great day.

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in the SHOW room.

Progressive Dinner

Saturday, March 5th – 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Sign-ups are on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery. Our RSVP deadline is February 28th. When you sign up, please commit to bring an appetizer or to make a donation to the "Social Hour Fund" to offset the cost of the beverages. Please also note if you can host a group for the dinner portion of the evening, and if you need a gluten free meal. The cost for the evening is \$12 per person, payable March 5th. There is no cost for our dinner hosts.

Free childcare is available in our nursery from 5:45-9:15 p.m. Note any childcare needs on the sign-up sheet so Angela can schedule enough babysitters.

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THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE has a deadline of March 6th for receiving nominees for five Elders for the class of 2019, one Youth Elder for the class of 2017, and one Trustee for the class of 2019. If you would like to nominate someone, please fill out the following and drop it in the offering plate or submit it to the church office. You may also send nominations to the Committee Chair, Vicki Mayfield at vmayfiel@utk.edu.

I would like to nominate _____
for Elder/Youth Elder/Trustee, because _____.

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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

UPCOMING NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP MEETINGS:

- The Bluegrass group will meet at Bryan and Rachel Powell's home on February 28th at 5:30 p.m.
- The Sequoyah/Westmoreland group will gather for appetizers and dessert on Friday, March 11, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the home of Jay and Debbie Schmid.

Adult Education Opportunities

Faith and Life Fellowship Hall
Larry Ridley leads a study based on Brené Brown's bestselling book, *The Gifts of Imperfection*, as we seek to let go of who we think we're supposed to be and embrace who we are.

Bible Study Library
This thoughtful group works its way through the scriptures, looking deeply at Bible passages, and discussing them with questions and lots of humor. No experience is necessary to join this class, led by Scott Brunger and Leslie Versen.

Table Talk Prayer Room
"Hollywood Jesus" is pastor and author Matt Rawle's study of Jesus and Christ figures in films. Explore what happens when script meets Scripture, when pop culture encounters the King of kings and Lord of lords.

Coffee House
Can't make it to class on time? Do you really just want a chance to chat? Our Coffee House meets in the Schilling Gallery each week. There is always coffee and a few pastries ready for you as you join other folks in casual conversation.

THE SESSION

Class of 2016	Class of 2017	Class of 2018
Jerry Faerber	Phil Barnette	Leigh Dunlap
Vicki Mayfield	Bitsy Ingram	Steve Hoadley
Scott Porter	William Milam	J.P. Mackay
Elizabeth Ridley	Bryan Powell	Linda Van Beke
Angela Shilling	Brenda Seip	Michael Yates
Youth Elder: Ethan Partelow		
Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley		

TRUSTEES

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