

"Where Faith and Life Connect"

The Order of Worship

May 8, 2016 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 Rhosymedre (Lovely)

Ralph Vaughan Williams

(from Three Preludes Founded on Welsh Hymn Tunes)

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT Be Thou Exalted

John Goss

arr. Barbara Owen

Be thou exalted, Lord, in thine own strength, And will we sing and praise thy pow'r.

Psalm 21:13

Westminster Choristers

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Spirit of God calls us to worship.

People: In God's Spirit, we rejoice and give thanks.

Leader: The glory of God calls us to praise.

People: In God's glory, we meet the mysteries of the Holy.

Leader: The wisdom of God summons us to live with goodness and truth.

People: In God's wisdom, we find grace for living our lives.

Leader: The love of God calls us to service.

People: In God's love, we are filled with strength and peace.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: At all times and for everything!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 150 (blue hymnal) Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Madrid

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Gracious God, may the sacred space of confession allow us to be honest about ourselves, to be thankful for what we have, to consider who we are, and to recognize what you have made us to be. We confess the wrongs we have done through intent or neglect and we ask forgiveness for the good we have failed to do and the people we may have hurt. Do not let us wallow in self-pity nor hang onto grudges. Forgive us when we have allowed self-interests to override your interest in matters of peace and justice; and then empower us to forgive as we have been forgiven. In the name of Jesus the Christ, we pray. 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 Celtic Alleluia (sing twice)

Fintan O'Carroll

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 1:1-11

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Barbara Adamcik

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 16:16-34

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

"Don't just stand there, do something'

- Granny Byrd

*HYMN NO. 151 (blue hymnal) Crown Him with Many Crowns *AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

Diademata from the Iona Community of Scotland

We believe in God, whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom. Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and, in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the spirit of love, and in the company of the faithful so to be the church, for the glory of God. Amen.

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.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(9:00) Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?

African-American spiritual

arr. Roger Emerson

Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel, deliver Daniel, deliver Daniel? Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel, then why not every man?

He delivered Daniel from the lion's den, Jonah from the belly of the whale, and the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace, then why not every man? (Refrain)

I set my foot on the Gospel ship, and the ship begin to sail; It landed me over on Canaan's shore, And I'll never come back no more. (Refrain)

African-American spiritual

Boys' and Girls' Choirs Westminster Choristers Mary Lou Holt, Piano

(11:00) At the Name of Jesus

Ralph Vaughan Williams

At the Name of Jesus Every knee shall bow, Every tongue confess him King of glory now; 'Tis the Father's pleasure We should call him Lord, Who from the beginning Was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation Sprang at once to sight, All the Angel faces, All the hosts of light, Thrones and dominations, Stars upon their way, All the heavenly orders, In their great array.

Humbled for a season, To receive a name From the lips of sinners Unto whom he came, Faithfully he bore it Spotless to the last, Brought it back victorious When from death he passed:

Bore it up triumphant With its human light, Through all ranks of creatures, To the central height, To the throne of God-head, To the Father's breast; Filled it with the glory Of that perfect rest.

Name him, brothers, name him, With love as strong as death, But with awe and wonder, And with bated breath; He is God the Saviour, He is Christ the Lord, Ever to be worshipped, Trusted, and adored.

In your hearts enthrone him; There let him subdue All that is not holy, All that is not true: Crown him as your captain In temptation's hour; Let his will enfold you In its light and power.

Brothers, this Lord Jesus Shall return again, With his Father's glory, With his Angel train; For all wreaths of empire Meet upon his brow, And our hearts confess him King of glory now.

Caroline M. Noel

Old Hundredth

*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology No. 514 (red hymnal) *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 555 (blue hymnal) (11:00) Now Thank We All Our God

Nun danket alle Gott

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody

*POSTLUDE Sonata No. 2, Movement III

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS *******

Felix Mendelssohn

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Vicki Mayfield and Phil Barnette CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR MAY 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

ACOLYTE (11:00): Abby Hatmaker

GREETERS (11:00): Peter and Janet Tortorelli

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

- (9:00) Childcare through age 5
- (11:00) Anderson and Wendy Collins, Meghan Oros and Caroline McRae

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

- (9:00) Boys' and Girls' Choirs and Westminster Choristers
- (11:00) Chancel Choir and Westminster Choristers

SENIOR USHER: Buz Johnson

USHERS:

- (9:00) Stephanie Lynch Wright and Cile Mathews
- (11:00) Larry Ridley, Elizabeth Ridley, Scott Rutherford, Rick and Janice Rawe

Children are always welcome in our worship services! A nursery for newborns up to 5 years of age is provided in the Children's education wing by trained, caring staff each week as a part of our ministry to children and their families. Please ask a greeter or usher for assistance.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in honor of Beth Cline and the late Charles Cline.

JOHN GOSS (1800-1880), composer of this morning's introit, was an English organist, composer, and teacher. A pupil of Thomas Attwood, organist of St. Paul's, London, Goss eventually held the same position. Along with such composers as Samuel Sebastian Wesley, he attempted to elevate the standards of English church music, which where, during his lifetime, in decline. From 1827 to 1874, he taught harmony at the Royal Academy of Music, where his students included Arthur Sullivan of future Gilbert and Sullivan fame. The Westminster congregation sings two of his best-known hymns: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" and "See Amid the Winter's Snow."

OUR THANKS to Mary Lou Holt for her enrichment of our worship this morning as she accompanies the Boys' and Girls' Choirs and Westminster Choristers.

THE PENTECOST OFFERING will be collected through Pentecost Sunday, May 15th. A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps to encourage, develop and support young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of the Pentecost

offering can be retained by individual congregations to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community. The remaining 60% is used to support ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is Tuesday, May 10th at 7:00 p.m. The Human Resources ministry team will provide our refreshments.

CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER meets for our last session this Wednesday evening, May 11th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. For further information, please contact Mary Boyd at marybwpc@gmail.com.

MEN'S COVENANT BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP: On Thursday, May 12th, the men of Westminster will gather in the McKinnon Room for our next meeting and lesson of 2016. The lesson will be presented by Don Byerly. Breakfast will be provided courtesy of Charles Graves. No reservation is necessary and all men are welcome. Bring a friend. Please view the webpage at wpcknox.org/westminstermen for full details and access to a copy of the lesson. Thanks and have a great day.

FISH DELIVERY is Thursday, May 12th. The number of families we can help is limited by the number of delivery volunteers we have, and you are needed! If you are able to help make deliveries, please contact Nancy Cundall.

Meet Our Newest Members

The Connect Team will be hosting a new member reception after the 11:00 service on Sunday, May 15th. Come meet all the fun and interesting new friends who have joined Westminster in the last year. We will also have a supplement to our 2013 directory that includes our new members since our last directory was printed. Come enjoy some summer snacks, and meet our wonderful new Westminster friends!

VBS 2016 - Water All Around the World

June 20-23, 9:00 a.m.-Noon Age 3 – 5th Grade

'Water All Around the World" will help our children understand the importance of clean water for our health, and show them how access to clean water affects children around the world. We will talk about the value of water and conservative water use.

VBS Sign-up: Child's Name

VBS Volunteers: Area of Volunteer Interest Name

If you are volunteering and need childcare for your child/children under age 3, please note their names and ages:

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KIDS' CLUB (children age 5 through 4th grade) will enjoy an outing to Family Bowl next Sunday, May 15th. We'll meet in the Schilling Gallery following the 11:00 service and plan to stop for lunch on the way. The entire family is invited to join us! Please RSVP to Angela Grobe at angela_wpc@comcast.net.

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Faith and Life

Dr. Phillips and Angela Shilling co-moderate our class on the book, *Pastrix* by Nadia Bolz-Weber. Nadia is the pastor of House for All Sinners and Saints, a Lutheran mission church in Denver, Colorado. Copies of the book are available in the church office for \$10 each.

The schedule is as follows:

May 8th, Chapters 5-8, pgs. 42-86 May 15th, Chapters 9-11, pgs. 87-120 May 22nd, Chapters 12-19, pgs. 121-204

Bible Study

Library

Fellowship Hall

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.

Coffee House

Age/Current Grade

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

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