



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship
May 20, 2018
9:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

PENTECOST 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.

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

PRELUDE
(9:00) Rex sanctorum angelorum Thomas Tallis
trans. Joel Newman

Recorder Ensemble
(11:00) Suite in C, Movement IV G. F. Handel
arr. Denis Bloodworth

Recorder Ensemble
OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION
INTROIT (11:00) Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service Beach Spring
arr. Melinda Ramseth

Lord, whose love in humble service Bore the weight of human need, Who upon the cross, forsaken, Worked your mercy’s perfect deed: We, your servants, bring the worship Not of voice alone, but heart; Consecrating to your purpose Ev’ry gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; Still the hungry cry for bread; Still the captives long for freedom; Still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion Healed the sick and freed the soul, By your Spirit send your power To our world to make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, Till your love’s revealing light In its height and depth and greatness Dawns upon our quickened sight, Making known the needs and burdens Your compassion bids us bear, Stirring us to ardent service, Your abundant life to share.

Boys’ and Girls’ Choirs Albert F. Bayly
Renee Wiesehuegel, Soprano Recorder

CALL TO WORSHIP
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.
Leader: Praise the Lord!
People: The Lord’s name be praised!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...
*HYMN On Pentecost They Gathered Ellacombe
(See insert)

*CALL TO CONFESSION
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)
Merciful God, whose care never ceases, we come to you as we are. We are tired from trying to do more than we can manage. We are anxious about problems which go unresolved. We are worried about events beyond our control. We do not easily let go and trust the guidance of your Spirit. For mistakes we cannot redeem, for sins we cannot undo, forgive us. Lead us to a place of wholeness and fullness of life, that we might be witnesses to your life-giving Spirit, and that we might ever become the people of Christ to which you call us. 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 Ezekiel 37:1-14, Romans 8:22-27
A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Rachel Powell
Children age 3 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children’s Worship. Children are welcome in worship here or a nursery is available.

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:1-21
SERMON “Oh, Those Charismatic Presbyterians!” Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips
*HYMN NO. 321 (blue hymnal) Holy Spirit, Truth Divine Song 13
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) from A Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA)
We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one

body of Christ, the church.
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.
In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

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) Suite in C, Movement IV G. F. Handel
(11:00) Ev’ry Time I Feel the Spirit African-American spiritual
arr. Moses Hogan
Ev’ry time I feel the Spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray. Yes, ev’ry time I feel the Spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray.

On the mountain, my Lord spoke, out His mouth came fire and smoke. Down in the valley, on my knees, asked my Lord have mercy please. (Refrain)
Jerdon river, chilly and cold, chills the body not the soul. All around me looked so fine, asked my Lord if all was mine. (Refrain)

Ain’t but one train on this track, runs to heaven and right back. St. Peter waitin’ at the gate, said come on sinner, don’t be late. (Refrain)
African-American spiritual
Meredith Mackay, Soprano
Lisa Ellis, Alto
Peggy Faerber, Alto
Amy Dale Reddick, Alto
Boys’, Chancel, and Girls’ Choirs
Westminster Choristers

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

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...
*HYMN NO. 412 (blue hymnal) Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds Forest Green
(Verses 1-4)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
Hymn No. 322 (blue hymnal) Spirit of the Living God Living God
*POSTLUDE Komm, Gott Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist, BWV 631 J. S. Bach
Come, God Creator, Holy Ghost
(from the Orgelbüchlein)

*Indicates standing.

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THE SESSION		
Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2020
Leigh Dunlap	Debbie Babelay	Scott Brunger
JP Mackay	Daniel Collins	James Everett
Linda Van Beke	Vicki Mayfield	Andrew Gordon
Wes Williams	Cindy Pearman	Susan McKeehan
Michael Yates	Jay Schmid	Shawn Owens
Youth Elder: Clara Oakes		
Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley		
TRUSTEES		
Paul Jorden	Alice Mercer	Reed Ellis