



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship
July 29, 2018
10:00 A.M.

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 If You but Trust in God to Guide You Georg Böhm
OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION
CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 122:1,2,7
Leader: I was glad when they said to me,
People: Let us go into the house of the Lord.
Leader: Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.
People: Peace be within your walls.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 461 (blue hymnal) God Is Here! Abbot’s Leigh
*CALL TO CONFESSION
*LITANY OF CONFESSION from Matthew 5:3-10
Leader: Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

People: Forgive us our spiritual arrogance.
Leader: Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted,
People: Forgive us our false independence.
Leader: Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.,
People: Forgive us our misplaced aggression.
Leader: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst, for they shall be satisfied.
People: Forgive us our gluttony.
Leader: Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
People: Forgive us our hardened hearts.
Leader: Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
People: Forgive us our half-hearted commitment.
Leader: Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.
People: Forgive us for condoning war and violence.
Leader: Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the realm of heaven.
People: Forgive us for not taking a stand for what is right.
*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 ...

HEBREW HISTORY II Samuel 11:1-15
TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Mary Boyd
Children age 4 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.
EPISTLE Ephesians 3:14-21
SERMON “Mid-life Crisis of the Male” Rev. John Linton Muntz
“It happened late one afternoon, when David saw from the roof a woman bathing.” II Samuel 11:2
*HYMN NO. 404 (blue hymnal) Precious Lord Precious Lord
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

From the Presbyterian (PCUSA) Form of Government
Central to our Reformed tradition is the affirmation of the majesty, holiness and providence of God who creates, sustains, rules and redeems the world in the freedom of sovereign righteousness and love. We affirm the election of the people of God for service as well as for salvation; covenant life marked by a disciplined concern for order in the church according to the Word of God; a faithful stewardship that shuns ostentation and seeks proper use of the gifts of God's creation; the recognition of the human tendency to idolatry and tyranny, which calls the people of God to work for the transformation of society by seeking justice and living in obedience to the Word of God.
ORDINATION and INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDER Maggie Gordon
Dr. Cindy Pearman representing Session
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE . . . The Lord’s 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 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word
Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr.
arr. David Hogan

Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word; Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from your Son And bring to nought all he has done.

O Jesus Christ, your pow’r make known, for you are Lord of Lords alone;
Defend your holy Church, that we May sing your praise triumphantly.

O Comforter of priceless worth, Send peace and unity on earth; Support us in our final strife And lead us out of death to life.
Martin Luther
*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology No. 514 (red hymnal) Old Hundredth
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 181 (blue hymnal) Come Sing to God Ellacombe
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen
Danish melody
POSTLUDE In Thee Is Gladness J. S. Bach

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Vicki Mayfield and Dan Collins
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JULY: Cindy Spangler
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
GREETERS: Mark and Pam Potocik
SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Buz Johnson
MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Summer Choir
SENIOR USHER: Jerry Carley
USHERS: John Shilling, Kathy Shilling, Linda Van Beke, Carol Beilharz, Genet Weber
LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP: Tim and Anne Crais

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Allie and Steven Brewington in loving memory of Ruthie Carey and in celebration of the children of Westminster.

OUR THANKS to John Brock for leading the Summer Choir this morning and serving as organist while Peter Van Eenam is on vacation.

FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING SUMMER CHOIR, music for the next several Sundays will be rehearsed immediately after worship today.

THE BIBLE STUDY CLASS meets after worship in the Library to study Maccabees. The Maccabees’ struggle is the source of the story of Hannukah. Scott Brunger and Phil Barnette will lead the class.



MOTHER’S MORNING OUT: Drop your kids off Wednesday, August 1st from 9:00-11:30 AM. We’ll have crafts, stories, snacks, and more. Email Allie at allie_wpc@comcast.net if you’re interested!

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER is desperately in need of men’s shorts and pants sizes 30 to 34 inches, men’s socks and underwear. You can place your donations in the collection area at the base of the stairs leading to the children’s ministry area.

SHARE THE BOUNTY: You may have noticed that our Share the Bounty table is back in the Schilling Gallery for the summer. You are more than welcome to help yourself to what is provided on the table. If you have a bit too much of something from your garden, bring it in to share. You may find here flowers and herbs, as well as vegetables. It changes every week, so take a look and take some home. There is also a donation basket with any contributions this year going to our Presbytery’s Carbon Footprint Fund. Also, take a walk around our organic veggie garden located behind the sanctuary – it’s amazing what good things can come from a small space.
The Environmental Ministry Team

A CELEBRATION RECEPTION will be held during the Lemonade Fellowship time today for Aaron Phipps and his family. Please stop by and introduce yourself to the family. This is sponsored by our TakeOne team.

BIG SUMMER

“**BIG SUMMER**” activities are today after Time with Children. All school aged kids are welcome to join us for larger than life activities in the Fellowship Hall. We’re keeping the events a surprise to build some suspense, but think of some traditional fun- upsized!

An illustration of five cartoon children of different ethnicities jumping joyfully. They are wearing colorful dresses and shorts. From left to right: a boy in a red shirt and blue shorts, a girl in a yellow dress, a girl in a green dress, a girl in a purple dress, and a boy in a yellow shirt and green shorts.

The logo for the Tennessee Smokies Baseball team. It features a stylized bear's head in the center, with the word 'TENNESSEE' in an arch above it and 'SMOKIES' in large, bold letters below it. 'BASEBALL' is written in smaller letters at the bottom.

WESTMINSTER NIGHT AT THE SMOKIES is August 11, 2018. It is UT Theme Night and fireworks will take place immediately after the game. UT Cheerleaders will be in attendance. **RSVP deadline is July 31.** Send in \$9 per ticket to the church office. The Fellowship Team is sponsoring this event.

HELP US WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Mark your calendars for our next New Member Reception in the Schilling Gallery on August 5, following the worship service.

About a year ago, we simplified the way we welcome the newest members of our church family. We now formally welcome these brothers- and sisters-in-Christ twice a year in the worship service by asking those who have joined to simply stand in their places as their names are read. Following the service, we host a reception for all the new members in the Schilling Gallery, and invite ‘old members’ to meet and greet those who can attend.

At the reception, you’ll also have an opportunity to pick up new pages with members’ pictures and contact information that you can add to your church directory, along with instructions on how to access our online church directory. If you can’t make the reception, you can find the newest directory pages on the small table under the bulletin board in the gallery or upon request in the church office. A growing church is such a blessing! We look forward to seeing you on August 5 as we extend special hospitality to our newest members.

COMMUNITY CHEST - KNOXVILLE

Bring items to ...
Episcopal Church of the Ascension 800 Northshore Drive
on the first Saturday of each month, 10:00 to 11:30 am

Items needed: Clothing, and household items such as small appliances, lamps, dishes, pots, pans, toys, books, curtains, and linens. The Community Chest is a not-for-profit clothing and small household items shop serving all, but focusing service to those in distressed situations and to those with low incomes. Questions? Call 588-0589.

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Mary Boyd, Education Coordinator
Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper
Melissa Everett, Administrative Assistant
Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR FAMILY PROMISE

Last year, our young superheroes provided school supplies for some 20 children at Family Promise with your help and the guidance of Gail Clark. This year, we are doing it a bit differently. Gail has provided us with the names of 14 children along with the list of supplies they will need when they start school.

Here’s what YOU can do: please contact Mary Boyd for the name of a child to sponsor. She will give you the list of needs and some basic information about the child, such as gender and grade in school. Go shopping, and return the needed items and the list to Mary as soon as possible. We want to make sure these children have a good start to the new school year. **ITEMS NEED TO BE RETURNED TO THE CHURCH BY AUGUST 5 AT THE LATEST!** If you have questions, call Mary at the church or contact her via email at marybwpc@gmail.com

THE SESSION

Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Debbie Babelay	Scott Brunger	Brian Bonnyman
Daniel Collins	James Everett	Anne Crais
Vicki Mayfield	Andrew Gordon	Amy Gilbert
Cindy Pearman	Susan McKeehan	Buz Johnson
Jay Schmid	Shawn Owens	Rachel Powell
Youth Elder: Maggie Gordon		
Clerk of Session: Sandra Williams		

TRUSTEES

Alice Mercer	Reed Ellis	Wes Williams
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