



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

- *HYMN NO. 454 (blue hymnal) Blessed Jesus, at Your Word *Liebster Jesu*
- *CALL TO CONFESSION
- *PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)
Gracious God, some of us come grief-stricken or downcast; others of us come in an attitude of celebration. Some of us face difficult decisions and uncertainties; others of us face the excitement of a new challenge. Some of us feel burdened by disability or disease; others of us feel keen appreciation for the good health we enjoy. Some of us sense a numbing despair at the problems in our world; others of us sense opportunities to live out our faith. Whatever the state of our spirits, loving God, we share a common need for forgiveness and acceptance and your continuing guidance in our lives. In Christ’s name, 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

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 How Goodly Are Thy Tents F. A. Gore Ouseley
 How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, and thy tabernacles, O Israel. As the valleys are they spread forth: as gardens by the river side.
 Numbers 24:5-6
Old Hundredth
- *AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology No. 514 (red hymnal)
- *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

- *HYMN NO. 420 (blue hymnal) God of Grace and God of Glory *Cwm Rhondda*
- *CHARGE AND BLESSING
- *CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen
 Danish melody
- *POSTLUDE Postlude William Mathias
- *Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

The Order of Worship

August 19, 2018
 10:00 A.M.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE CHURCH GATHERS . . .

Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshipping 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 Matins Healey Willan

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

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 EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD AND RESPOND ...

- SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 5:15-20
- A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Deborah Phillips
Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children’s Worship.
- SCRIPTURE READING John 6:51-58
- SERMON The Gift of “Time” Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips
- *HYMN NO. 554 (blue hymnal) Let All Things Now Living *Ash Grove*
- *AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)
 Creed of the United Church of Canada (Reformed)

We are not alone, we live in God’s world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God’s presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

- 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Susan McKeegan and Brian Bonnyman
CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR AUGUST: Bill and Bonnie Rogers
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: Max and Carlene Robinson
SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Erik Kringen
MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Summer Choir
SENIOR USHER: Alice Mercer
USHERS: Bob and Lucinda Albiston, Sue Caradine, Jerry and Scott Carley
LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP: Robert and Susan McKeegan

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Ginger Elting in honor of the Elting children and in memory of her husband, Bill Elting and daughter, Nancy Elting.

OUR THANKS to Carolyn Moser for leading the Summer Choir and serving as organist this morning while Peter Van Eenam is away.

SIR FREDERICK ARTHUR GORE OUSELEY (1825-1889) was an English composer, organist, musicologist, and priest. Following his ordination into the priesthood in 1849 and during his two years of service to the parish of St. Barnabas, Pimlico, he received the degree of Mus.B. at the University of Oxford and four years later his doctorate. He went on to hold the position of Heather Professor of Music at Oxford from 1855 to 1889. The composer of a great number of services and anthems, cantatas, chamber music, organ works, and songs, his instructional treatises include *Harmony* (1868), *Counterpoint* (1869), and *Musical Form* (1875).

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

ACOLYTE TRAINING for all middle school youth will take place today immediately following worship. It is for both returning acolytes as well new acolytes. Please see Colleen Manrod if you have any questions regarding the Acolyte ministry.

THE SHARE THE BOUNTY table is set up 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.

ABBEY DEADLINE is today! Please send articles to unitedprinters .

COMING SOON! We go back to our regular schedule of two worship services at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. with an education hour at 10:00 on September 9. On that day, we’ll kick off fall activities with DISCOVER WESTMINSTER, our annual opportunity to see what’s in store for education and other ministries of the church. It’s been a very popular event, so we’re moving the Fellowship Hall this year at 10:00 a.m. Visit tables for each ministry team, have a snack or two, play a game, and visit with your friends. See you then!

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY: Study guides are available to pick up in the office. There are two monthly groups, morning and evening, that use the same study, which is entitled *God’s Promises*. The evening group meets for the first time on Monday, August 27 at 7:00 p.m. and the morning group begins Thursday, September 6 at 10:00 a.m. Ask Mary Boyd if you have questions.

SPECIAL CLASS AFTER WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Westminster has a group of adults traveling to New Mexico this fall. FUN FACT: Next summer WPC high school youth will be going on a pilgrimage to Ghost Ranch, New Mexico too! During August, there is going to be an after-church class that learns about NM culture in two fun ways! We’ll meet in the Fellowship Hall from after-lemonade to 12:30.

For three Sundays, August 12-August 26, we are having this post-church service class for everyone interested. The class will meet from 11ish-12:30. You are welcome to bring a lunch if you wish. The first Sunday, Jean and Brian Bonnyman shared their adventures of serving the under-served people of Albuquerque. Their stories were very interesting way to familiarize us with the culture and people of New Mexico. Their class was a great way to set the stage for Penny Tschantz’s book study on Willa Cather’s *Death Comes To the Archbishop* on August 19 and 26. Penny taught English at UT and grew up in New Mexico. She’s a great facilitator and Cather’s book is fantastic!!

Even if you don't have a chance to read the book, you are invited to join our class and learn about enchanting New Mexico! We hope you can join us!

THE ANNUAL PASTA AND BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL benefitting Family Promise of Knoxville will be held at Sacred Heart School on Saturday August 25, 2018 from 6 - 8 pm. Tickets will be available after the service today in the Schilling Gallery. Adults tickets are \$10.00 and children 5 years and older are \$5.00. Come join us for a fun family evening. Many thanks to Gail Clark for organizing this awesome ministry!

WESTMINSTER’S 2018 HABITAT HOUSE BUILD: As you start filling in your Fall calendar, make sure you mark the Habitat build dates as follows:

September 29 (BLITZ DAY) – This is the day that the volunteers will erect the exterior walls and build and set trusses.

October 6 – Interior walls will be built and the roof will be installed.

October 13 – Vinyl siding will be applied to the exterior.

November 3 – Interior painting will be done.

November 10 – Trim and cabinets will be installed

January 12 – The house will be dedicated

HABITAT EVERYDAY ANGELS: Westminster is committed to feeding all hammer and saw Habitat House builders for 3 out of the 5 Saturday work days. You can be an everyday angel by helping feed the hard-working builders. The sign-up sheet can be found on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery. Contact Brenda Seip for more information at .

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TUESDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB is held the third Tuesday of each month at 10:30 am in the Library. The selection for August 21 is *Manhattan Beach* by Jennifer Egan, discussion to be led by Shirley Wittman. This book tells the story of Anna, who takes a job as a diver, repairing ships during the war. She is led into a world populated by gangsters, sailors, divers and bankers to find out what happened to her father, who disappeared some years before. Please join us!!!

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH will resume on September 20th. This group of wonderful ladies meet the third Thursday of each month at a restaurant to spend time with one another while sharing lunch. Be on the look out for a RSVP announcement on the place that will be chosen for September. What a great way to meet new people!

CELEBRATION OF LIFE worship service in memory of George Edward Jack will be held today at 4:00 PM, Trinity United Methodist Church , 5613 Western Ave.

Mr. Jack is Ibbie Muntz’s father.

THE SESSION

Class of 2019

Debbie Babelay

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James Everett

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