



The Order of Worship “Where Faith and Life Connect”

July 21, 2019
10:00 A.M.

SIXTH 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 Mensch, willst du leben seliglich, BuxWV 206 Dieterich Buxtehude
Wilt Thou, O Mankind, Live Blessedly

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT O God, We Praise Thee, and Confess Tallis’ Ordinal
O God, we praise thee, and confess That thou the only Lord And everlasting
Father art, By all the earth adored.

The holy Church throughout the world, O Lord, confesses thee, That thou
eternal Father art, Of boundless majesty.
from Te Deum laudamus

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather this day from a week filled with needs and demands
People: We come to find rest and renewal of our spirits.
Leader: Open your hearts in love to hear the voice of God.
People: We want to quietly rest in God's presence, free from the clamor of
the world.
Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.
People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it. AMEN.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 461 (blue hymnal) God Is Here! Abbot’s Leigh
*CALL TO CONFESSION
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) from Thomas Shuman
You watch us as we fill our days with endless work;
as we keep a list of all our worries, ever marking any off;
as we get easily distracted by others' inactions.
So come, Creation's Oldest Child, to make us as still as Mary.

You take notice of how quickly we can overlook those who hunger
for their empty hearts to be filled; those who long for a family
to welcome them; those who thirst for that relationship
which will revive their souls. So come, Reconciling Love,
to make us as welcoming as Martha.
God in Community, Holy in One, come to make us your people.

*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 Genesis 18:1-10
A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Lisa Kaufman
Children age 4 through 4th 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 Luke 10:38-42
SERMON “Dear Abby” Rev. Gradye Parsons
*HYMN NO. 358 (blue hymnal) Help Us Accept Each Other Baronita

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) from Colossians 1:15-20 The Message
We look at Jesus Christ and see the God who cannot be seen. We look at
this Son and see God's original purpose in everything created. For
everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and
invisible, rank after rank after rank of angels-everything got started in
him and finds its purpose in him. He was there before any of it came into
existence and holds it all together right up to this moment. And when it
comes to the church, he organizes and holds it together, like a head does a
body.

Jesus was supreme in the beginning and-leading the resurrection
parade-he is supreme in the end. From beginning to end he's there,
towering far above everything, everyone. So spacious is he, so roomy, that
everything of God finds its proper place in him without crowding. Not
only that, but all the broken and dislocated pieces of the universe-people
and things, animals and atoms-get properly fixed and fit together in
vibrant harmonies, all because of his death, his blood that poured down
from the cross.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDER Bob Albiston
Susan McKeehan, representing the Session

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 In Thee, O Jesus, I Put My Faith and Trust G. F. Handel
In Thee, O Jesus, I put my faith and trust, For Thou art my Redeemer, my
Saviour and my Friend. Thou art my Treasure, the source of Eternal Peace,
the only hope of Salvation, to all who believe in Thee; My heart soars with
gladness, to greet its Lord and Master; My soul shall rejoice in Thee, My lips
shall sing Thy praises.

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

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 422 (blue hymnal) God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending
Beach Spring

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen Danish melody

*POSTLUDE Prelude and Fugue in F, BWV 556 J. S. Bach
*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Amy Gilbert and Andrew Gordon
CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR JULY: Bonny Naugher and Brenda Seip
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 wish to take it home.

SERVING TODAY

GREETERS: Bud and Carolyn Cunningham

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Summer Choir

SENIOR USHER: Jerry Carley

SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Rick Rawe

USHERS: Charlie and Alice Mercer, David Woodall, David and Shawn Owens

LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP: Scott Carley, Maddox, Mason, McClendon, Monroe Carley

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Adamciks in memory of Billie and Chester Ingraham, Barbara’s parents.

THIS MORNING’S PRELUDE features an organ registration heard regularly that is a combination of stops that speak at the pitch of the note played, but also a third and fifth higher (if a C is played, we hear Cs in several octaves, but also an E and a G). In organ terminology, this combination is called a cornet and it adds great color to a solo line or melody. Our organbuilders like to say this cornet “weeps” and we can sense this in its sound and character. It also helps to make plain the chorale melody, whether in simple form or ornamented.

LEMONADE IN THE SCHILLING GALLERY: You are invited to sign up in the Schilling Gallery for a date to serve lemonade after the 10:00 a.m. worship service this summer. All the supplies are provided for you. There are several dates still available: July 21, 28, August 25.

SHARE THE BOUNTY: If you are not familiar with this, our table provides a space to share the bounty from our personal gardens and our very own Westminster organic garden. 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. 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.



MOTHER’S MORNING OUT: Mother's Morning Out will run Wednesdays during the summer (June 5 - July 31) from 9:00-12:00. The cost is \$10/child. Kids 0-10 years old are welcome to join us in the nursery to play, have snacks, and complete crafts and activities. Please email Allie at allie_wpc@comcast.net if you are interested in signing up for any part of the summer.

WESTMINSTER NIGHT AT THE SMOKIES



Our annual trip to a Smokies Baseball game is August 10. There will be a fireworks display immediately following the baseball game. Tickets are \$9 and can be purchased through the church office by sending in a payment marked for this fun Fellowship event!

THE RUTHIE CAREY MEMORIAL PAVILION

Please join us to celebrate the completion of the pavilion on
Sunday, August 11 at 11:30 AM!

We will have a dedication and hors d'oeuvres to mark the occasion. Please sign up in the Schilling Gallery if you are able to bring a plate of finger foods (small sandwiches, veggies, fruit, cookies, brownies, etc. to share).

THE ANNUAL PASTA AND BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL



This awesome event, benefitting *Family Promise of Knoxville*, will be held at Sacred Heart School on Saturday August 24, 2019 from 6 - 8 pm. Tickets are available in the church office. Adults tickets are \$10.00 and children ages 5 to 12 years old are \$5.00. Come join us! It is a fun family festival with 15 competitive pasta tastings, including gluten-free, vegetarian and vegan offerings! Live bluegrass music from The Foothills Quartet and Rescue, a kids carnival with blow-ups, face painting, cotton candy, homemade dessert silent auction and Italian Market where craft wares will be available. All proceeds benefit *Family Promise of Knoxville*. Many thanks to Gail Clark for organizing this awesome ministry!

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Melissa Everett, Administrative Assistant

Daniel Lewis, Youth Assistant

Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

THE GHOST RANCH PILGRIMS will be sharing inspirations and reflections from their amazing pilgrimage to New Mexico on Sunday, July 28. The trip was truly an experience of a lifetime for all who went. Come be inspired by stories of the many blessings and "God Moments" the pilgrims shared during their 12 days together. Also, make sure you check out our blog for stories of love and appreciation from all our pilgrims and photos on our Ghost Ranch Pilgrimage 2019 blog: <https://ghostranch2019.blogspot.com>

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER is in need of dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, dish towels, razors, deodorant, shampoo, and conditioner. You may bring these items and place in our collection area at the bottom of the stairs leading into the Children’s wing.

THE SESSION

Class of 2020

Scott Brunger

James Everett

Andrew Gordon

Susan McKeehan

Shawn Owens

Youth Elder: Katie Rogers

Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

Class of 2021

Brian Bonnyman

Anne Crais

Amy Gilbert

Buz Johnson

Rachel Powell

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