



The Order of Worship

January 26, 2020
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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 "...No darkness at all..." Ned Rorem
 'God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all...'
 —Walt Whitman, recalling fifty years later how Elias Hicks thus quoted Christ.
 (from *A Quaker Reader*)

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) Early Will I Seek Thee Thomas Weelkes
 Early will I seek Thee, for my soul thirsteth for Thee, I will bless Thee while I live, And lift up my hands in Thy Name. Early will I seek Thee, O God, Thou art my God.

Psalm 63:1,4
Psalm 27

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path.
People: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
 Leader: "Come," my heart says, "seek God's face!" Your face, LORD, do I seek.
People: The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
 Leader: I will offer sacrifices in the house of the LORD with shouts of joy;
People: Let us sing and make melody to the LORD.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 327** (purple hymnal) From All That Dwell Below the Skies
Lasst uns erfreuen

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, our light and our salvation, forgive our lack of faithfulness. Heal the brokenness that separates us one from another, from our own best selves, and from you. Rescue us from the fears that hold us hostage; the fear of the unknown, the fear of difference, the fear of change, all of which fuels judgement and prejudice. Turn us from quarrels that hurt and destroy. Grant us new depths of caring and forgiveness, that we might serve you with renewed strength and purpose. In Jesus' 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** Gloria Patri No. 576 (blue hymnal) Jacques Berthier

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 9:1-4; I Corinthians 1:10-18

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Jean Bonnyman

Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 4:12-23

SERMON Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

Brian: "Look, you've got it all wrong. You don't need to follow me. You don't need to follow anybody. You've got to think for yourselves. You're all individuals."

Crowd: "YES. WE'RE ALL INDIVIDUALS."
 From the movie, *Life of Brian* by Monty Python

***HYMN NO. 720** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Jesus Calls Us Galilee

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) from *A Declaration of Faith*

Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability and time. It is part of our discipline to observe a day of worship and rest, setting aside our own working to enjoy God's work, celebrating with sisters and brothers the Lord's goodness. We need constantly to search out God's way in Scripture, not expecting detailed directions for every decision, but relying on the Word to tell us who God is, to press God's present claim on us, and to assure us of God's grace and comfort. We are charged to pray for ourselves and others with gratitude, boldness, and persistence, confident that God hears and answers our prayers in ways best for us all. Life in God's presence results in a life lived for others, for if we do not love sisters and brothers whom we see, we cannot love God whom we do not see.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ... The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

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) Intradad No. 1 and 8 Johann Pezel

Carol Beilharz and Andrew Layne, Trumpets

(11:00) O magnum mysterium Tomás Luis de Victoria

O magnum mysterium et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent

Dominum natum, jacentem in proesepio. O beata virgo, cujus viscera

meruerunt portare Dominum Jesum Christum. Alleluja!

O great mystery and admirable sacrament, that the animals have seen the birth of the Lord, lying in a manger. O Blessed Virgin, whose womb has been seen worthy to carry our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluja!

Responsory for Matins on Christmas Day

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology

Hymn No. 717 (purple hymnal) For the Life That You Have Given

Pleading Savior

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own: here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

Carl P. Daw, Jr.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 716** (purple hymnal) God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Beach Spring

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (9:00)

Hymn No. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** (11:00) Be Thou with Me

Johann W. Franck

arr. M. J. Luvaas

Be Thou with me through darkened night, That I may see the day illumined so bright, Oh, thank Thee for the hope we have in Thee. Take Thou my hand Near Thee to stand. All they rejoice who lay their trust in Thee, Our Savior, for ever Thine to be. Songs of triumph praise Thy name above all earthly joy proclaim! Enlighten mine eyes To see the way: Be Thou with me, Oh Father most high.

Agnes P. Olsen

***POSTLUDE** Praeambulum in e, WV 38

Heinrich Scheidemann

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Leslie Versen and Andrew Gordon
CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR JANUARY: Bonny Naugher and Brenda Seip
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Ella Chattin and Gracie Kringen

GREETERS (11:00): John and Kathy Shilling

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: (11:00) Chancel Choir

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: John Salsbery

SENIOR USHER: Hap McSween

USHERS:

(9:00) Bonny and Doug Naugher

(11:00) Scott and Ashley Porter, Gary Rowcliffe, Rick and Janice Rawe

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Ellen Anderson to the glory of God and in thanks for her husband, Ken's birthday.

OUR THANKS to Carol Beilharz and Andrew Layne for their enrichment of our worship this morning at the 9:00 service.

JOHANN PEZEL (1639-1694) was a violinist, trumpeter, and composer, living both in Leipzig and Bautzen. He is best known for his instrumental music, published in a large number of collections, though he also wrote sacred choral music and theoretical works. In 1672, during his time in Leipzig, he entered an Augustinian monastery in Prague, though he soon left to become a Protestant. The Brass Choir has enjoyed playing a number of his many sonatas and dances, which are staples of the brass literature.

ART IN THE SCHILLING GALLERY: The Schilling Gallery is filled with beautiful photographs of the youth's pilgrimage to New Mexico last summer. With the support of our wonderful Westminster congregation, our youth spent 12 days trekking across our beautiful country. In addition to visiting Santa Fe, Taos, and Ghost Ranch, they experienced a new culture, did service work, and explored their faith. We know you will be inspired by our photos, and hope you enjoy them!!

HELP US WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Join us in the Schilling Gallery on February 9, following the 11:00 a.m. worship service, for our New Member Reception. At the reception, you'll also have an opportunity to meet and greet new members and to pick up new pages with members' pictures and contact information that you can add to your 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 February 9 as we extend special hospitality to our newest members.

JUSTICE KNOX: Please Save the Date: Thursday, February 13th at 6 pm at First Presbyterian Church in the James Park Room. Justice Knox is bringing in Leon Evans, a national expert to consult with Knoxville for better ways to serve those with mental health challenges other than jail. This is a community meeting for us to meet with Mr. Evans as he consults with community leaders. Carpools will leave WPC at 5:15 pm.

WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY will meet January 27 at 7:00 pm.

A STATED SESSION MEETING is scheduled for today at 12:15 in the McKinnon Room.

PHOTO DIRECTORY: Is your family growing, new babies or growing babies? Do you have an up-to-date photo of yourself or family that you would like to include in our WPC Photo Directory? We are always accepting photos. Please email them to melissa_wpc@comcast.net.

PROGRESSIVE DINNER: Friday, February 7, 6:00-9:00 p.m. We will gather for appetizers at the Buckingham Clubhouse at 6:00 p.m. When signing up, either commit to bring an appetizer or make a donation to the "Social Hour Fund" to help offset the cost of the beverages. During the appetizer portion of the evening, you will be given your host's name and directions to their home. Be sure to indicate if you need a gluten free meal. The nursery staff will be at church for those who need childcare for their children. Please note when signing up if you need this service in order for Allie to arrange enough babysitters. The cost for each participant is \$12 (payable at the event). The hosts are our guests for the evening and do not pay. We appreciate all for hosting this event.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT: Our first PNO of 2020 will be Friday, January 31. The nursery will be open from 5:00-8:00 for kids 5th grade and under. Drop your kids off for any portion of that time window. We will provide pizza, apple sauce, water, and cookies. We will have a craft, games, and a movie projected on the wall. The cost is \$10 for one child, and \$5 for every child after that. (So \$10 for one kid, \$15 for two kids, \$20 for three, etc). If you are interested please let me know by Tuesday, January 28 so I can have enough supplies and food available. Email me at allie_wpc@comcast.net and include how many kids to expect.

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER is in need of any size laundry detergent, laundry baskets, medium sized trash cans and trash bags, and any kind of cleaning supplies!

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES

Next Sunday, February 2

Westminster is having a special service on February 2 at the 11:00 hour. The 9:00 service will be the standard service, and Rev. Muntz will be preaching and leading in Communion. The 11:00 service will be a special commissioning service for Mary Boyd and Barbara Adamcik. Both of these ladies have completed the requirements to be a Commissioned Lay Pastor. In our denomination (without getting in the weeds too deeply!), a CLP is an elder who has completed the necessary requirements and can be commissioned to a particular congregation to exercise the function of pastoral ministry, including preaching, the sacraments and "additional responsibilities to baptize, moderate sessions, and perform marriages." There will be elements of a traditional service of course, but it will include the ordination questions and some other elements that are unique to an ordination service. Both Mary and Barbara have worked hard to get to this place of being able to expand their ministries and gifts and we want to recognize this achievement.

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Allie Brewington, Director of Children's Ministries

Mary Boyd, Education Coordinator

Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Melissa Everett, Administrative Assistant

Daniel Lewis, Youth Assistant

Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

KIDS CORNER

9:00 am

Ages 0-5 years old: Nursery available

Ages 6 years old and up: Remain in the Sanctuary

10:00 am

Ages 0-2nd grade: Fellowship time in Nursery

Grades 3rd-4th grade: Sunday School in the downstairs Prayer Room

11:00 am

Ages 0-3 years old: Nursery available

4 years old-2nd grade: in Sanctuary until Time with the Children,

then downstairs for Sunday School

Children 3rd grade and up: Remain in the Sanctuary

Adult Sunday School

All Sunday school classes begin at 10:00 a.m. each week.

Bible Study - Adult Bible study meets in the library and is led by Scott Brunger.

The Wired Word - Led by a rotating group of teachers, this class takes a look at how scripture addresses current topics. All you need is a smart phone or tablet. The class meets in the Prayer Room.

Feasting on the Word - This lectionary-based study provides some background for the scriptures read during worship each week. Also led by a teaching team, this class meets in the McKinnon Room.

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

TRUSTEES

Reed Ellis

Jeff Browning

Class of 2022

Bob Albiston

Janet Drumm

Colleen Manrod

Charlie Mercer

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