



The Order of Worship January 22, 2023
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THE CHURCH GATHERS . . .

PRELUDE
 (9:00) Praeambulum in e, WV 38 Heinrich Scheidemann
 (11:00) Sinfonia Adriano Banchieri
Brass Choir

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 27:1 Linda Judge-McRae
 One: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
All: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
 One: We gather in the presence of God. Let us open our hearts and minds in worship.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 620 (*Glory to God* hymnal) Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven Lauda anima

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of love, our eyes are on the nets of our work. Open them to receive your call. Our hands are on the worn, familiar wood of the boats of our lives. Open them to reach for you. We are casting our nets into the riches of this world. May we cast the nets of our hearts into the deep sea of your grace. May all of our work, and all of our lives, become one with your work of the healing of the world, in the name and Spirit of Christ.

*KYRIE ELEISON

arr. David N. Johnson

*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 I Corinthians 1:10-18
A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Julia Whipple
Children age 4 through 4th grade are invited to go downstairs for Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 4:12-23

SERMON "The Foolish Choice" Rev. Dr. Anne McKee

*HYMN NO. 170 (*Glory to God* hymnal) You Walk along Our Shoreline Wie lieblich ist der Maien

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Brief Statement of Faith

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. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

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.

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. 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) Sinfonia Adriano Banchieri
 (11:00) O Gracious Light Russell Schulz-Widmar
 O gracious Light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed! Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life, and to be glorified through all the worlds.
from The Book of Common Prayer, 1979

*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 720 (*Glory to God* hymnal) Jesus Calls Us Galilee

*CHARGE AND BEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Amen Danish melody

*POSTLUDE Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern Johannes Petzold
How Brightly Shines the Morning Star

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are in honor of Lila Ruth Brewington on her 5th birthday with love from her family.

THE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE invites EVERYONE in the congregation to attend ONE visioning/pastor search meeting. There are several opportunities coming up in January, and those at noon or in the evenings will feature snacks or a meal:

- Sunday January 22, 10:00 am: Congregation-wide. Anyone who hasn't come to another conversation. Downstairs Fellowship Hall.
- Wednesday, January 25, 5:30-7:00: Congregation-wide. Anyone who hasn't come to another conversation. Upstairs Fellowship Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Lisa Oros and Josh Birdwell
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JANUARY: Cindy Spangler

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES: (11:00) Grace Salsbery and Katie Manrod

GREETERS: (11:00) Debbie Cruze and Lana Daverman

LITURGIST: Linda Judge-McRae

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Brass Choir

(11:00) Brass and Chancel Choirs

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Buz Johnson

SENIOR USHER: Barbara Froula

USHERS: (9:00) Dan Berry and Jeff Bendy

(11:00) Janet Drumm, Kathy Shilling, Penny Tschantz, Linda Van Beke,
Michael Yates

RUSSELL SCHULZ-WIDMAR, Associate Professor of Church Music and Organist and Choirmaster at The Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas, since 1974, is Director of Music at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Austin and a past President of The Hymn Society. In this morning's anthem he sets this lovely evening text in a modern French style with an undulating string celeste accompaniment in the organ supporting warm, fluid vocal lines above.



MUSICA ORGANI will present concert organist Alcee Chriss III in recital Friday evening, February 3, at 8:00. First prize and Bach prize at the Canadian International Organ Competition and the Firmin Swinnen silver medal at the Longwood Gardens International Organ Competition, Dr. Chriss is a composer, conductor, and jazz pianist. We hope you'll join us for an enjoyable evening of fine organ

music. For more information, please visit the *Musica Organi* website at www.musicaorgani.org.

LISA KAUFMAN HALL DEDICATION: On Sunday January 29 at 12:15, all are invited to a reception and brief program to celebrate the renovations of the Fellowship Hall and to rename it as the Lisa Kaufman Hall. Please join us in thanking the property ministry team and in remembering Lisa.

FOOD FOR RECEPTION: If you're able to provide a refreshment for the Fellowship Hall reception - please contact Stephanie Lynch Wright or the church office.

SESSION MEETING today in the McKinnon Room following 11:00 am worship.

BIG SCARY QUESTIONS: At noon on Tuesday January 24, the spring series of Big Scary Questions will begin. This is a discussion-based class in which we look at statements the PCUSA has made on various social issues and discuss both the challenging issues and the theology that shapes the response. The class will meet for seven consecutive Tuesdays, wrapping up on March 7.

CIVIL RIGHTS TRIP: Friends, Families, Youth and Adults! You are all invited to

join us for a full weekend Civil Rights trip to Selma, Montgomery, and Tuskegee, Alabama. We will be walking in the steps of Civil Rights pioneers before us and sharing the trip with sisters and brothers from Emmanuel Pres, St. Paul AME Zion, and other peace and justice advocates. This experience promises to be an inspiring weekend of learning, worship, friendship, and fun. Registration forms are available today! Dates for this special trip are Friday, February 24 (late afternoon) to Sunday, February 26. The cost for the trip is \$150 per person.

CIVIL RIGHTS MUSIC WORSHIP: EVERYONE is welcome to attend and partner with our friends at Emmanuel Presbyterian at the beginning of February for a worship service. In preparation for our Civil Rights trip, our partner churches are going to join together for a pre-trip Civil Rights Music Worship Celebration!! We will sing many of the traditional songs like "We Shall Overcome" and "Lift Every Voice and Sing", and we will also sing other inspiring rights-oriented songs, including some gospel music! A wonderful community sing, plus a great sermon, will be an exceptional opportunity and way to celebrate Black History month. Westminster's Connect Team is organizing a lunch for all in Emmanuel's Fellowship Hall after church! We hope you can join us!! Emmanuel's address is: 3023 Selma Ave, Knoxville, 37914. (Date announced soon!)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 am

- **Adult Bible Study:** Led by Scott Brunger, this class meets in the McKinnon Room. The class chooses a book of the Bible to unpack in depth.
- **Feasting on the Word:** This is a lectionary-based curriculum. The class, led by a rotating team of knowledgeable teachers, studies the scriptures that are used in worship. This class meets in the Fellowship Hall.
- **The Wired Word:** Take a look at current events with a theological eye. The class, which meets in the library, is facilitated by a rotating team. The library is in the education wing.

CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS AT WESTMINSTER

During 9:00 Worship:

Nursery available for children 0-5 years old

During 10:00 Hour:

Nursery available for children 0-5 years old

Fellowship time for kids 1st-4th grade

During 11:00 Hour:

Nursery available for children 0-3 years old

Primary Sunday school for children 4 years old.-Kindergarten

Intermediate Sunday school for children 1st-4th grade

(Children will be walked to Sunday school classes following the

Time with the Children during the 11:00 worship service)

ALL YOUTH (5th through 12th graders) are invited to meet in the McKinnon room TODAY from 4-6 and speak with the Pastor Nominating Committee. They have asked us to give our input on what we think is important about Westminster, and what we hope for in the next minister. We will also be playing JackBox games when we're done with the questions! High School and Middle School will meet separately and answer as a group. Everyone will want to bring a device to play our games (phone, ipad, or computer.)

NEW ONLINE DIRECTORY: Please make sure you have logged in to our new church directory and updated your profile. Details can be found in our weekly newsletter or in the email sent Thursday. Ask allie_wpc@comcast.net for more info!

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Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

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Debbie Bendy, Abbey Editor

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OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, January 22

9:00am - Sanctuary Worship

10:00 am - PNC Meeting with Congregation

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Sanctuary Worship

12:15 - Session Meeting - McKinnon Room

12:15 - Harmon Speaks - Fellowship Hall

2:00pm - Companions In Christ

4:00 pm Youth Fellowship

Monday, January 23

4:30 pm Young Musicians

5:00 - Family Dinner

5:30 Rainbow Choir

7:00 - Congregational Zoom

Tuesday, January 24

12:00 Big Scary Questions

6:00pm - Choristers

Wednesday, January 25

4:45pm - Boys' and Girls' Choirs

5:30 - PNC Meeting with Congregation - Fellowship Hall

7:45pm - Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 26

8:30 Men's Fellowship Breakfast

4:30pm - Brass Choir

7:00pm - Handbell Choir

THE SESSION

Class of 2023

Jaclyn Beeler

Jack Carley

William Milam

Penny Tschantz

Bill Wiesehuegel

Youth Elder: Meghan Oros Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

Robert McKeehan

Class of 2024

Josh Birdwell

Gloria Borum

Melanie Lewis

Lisa Oros

Chris Van Beke

TRUSTEES

Ron Alexander

Class of 2025

Ed Babelay

Wendy Collins

Janet Drumm

Stephen Fortney

Barbara Froula

Alice Mercer