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**The Order of Worship**

**July 28, 2024  
 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, 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.

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**PRELUDE** Lotus by Billy Strayhorn, Duke Ellington and Alec Wyton  
**CALL TO WORSHIP** (adapted from Psalms 14 & 24) Dave Dupper

One: Fools say in their hearts, "There is nothing in this world that is holy."  
**All: The LORD looks down from heaven on humankind to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God.**  
 One: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it,  
**All: Let us seek after God. Let us see the glory of God surrounding us.**  
 One: Come, let us worship together!

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 353** (*Glory to God* hymnal) My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

*Solid Rock*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)\*\*

God of grace and goodness,  
 What we claim as our own, you create and give to us.  
 What we would use for ourselves alone, you entrust to us for the blessing of all.  
 Where we perceive scarcity, you provide enough for all.  
 Where we grasp and hoard, you invite us to share.  
 Where we privilege some at the expense of others,  
     you endow all with value, worth and dignity  
 Where we divide and exclude, you invite and welcome all to the table.  
 When we turn from your way, you love us still.  
 When we fall short, you make possible new beginnings.

God of grace and goodness, forgive us, renew us.  
 Open us afresh to the leading of your Holy Spirit for the living of our days.  
 We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

**\*KYRIE ELEISON**

arr. David N. Johnson

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!  
 People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**\*RESPONSE** Celtic Alleluia (*sing twice*)

Fintan O'Carroll

**TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Ephesians 3:14-21

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

Kathy Parsons

*Children age 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to go downstairs for Children's Church.*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

John 6:1-21

**SERMON**

"This Sacramental Life"

Rev. Dr. Richard Coble

**\*HYMN NO. 36** (*Glory to God* hymnal) For the Fruit of All Creation *Ar hyd y nos*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) (Adapted from the Confession of 1967)

God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of God's dealings with humankind. In its beauty and vastness, sublimity and awfulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its Creator.

Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage. People are free to seek life within the purpose of God: to develop and protect the resources of nature for the common welfare, to work for justice and peace in society, and in other ways to use their creative powers for the fulfillment of human life.

And in all things, we give thanks to God.

**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** At The River

adapted by Aaron Copland

Shall we gather by the river, where bright angels feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God. Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God. Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease, soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river, gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God.

**\*AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology

*Old Hundredth*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**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.**

**TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 394** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

*Westminster Abbey*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** O Love How Deep, How Broad, How High

by David N. Johnson, The Agincourt Hymn

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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\*Please stand in Body or Spirit

\*\*Prayer of Confession by the Rev. W. Mark Koenig,  
<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/>.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Lucy Johnson and Ken Hughes  
**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JULY:** Jan Barber and Susan McKeehan  
**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS/ HEARING DEVICES** are available from the ushers.

### SERVING TODAY

**GREETERS:** Jan Gross and Penny Tschantz

**LITURGIST:** Dave Dupper

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** Summer Choir

**ORGANIST:** Theresa Pepin

**PIANIST:** Ibbie Muntz

**SUMMER CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Ruth Ann Bendy

**SHEPHERD'S TEAM:** Erik Kringen

**SENIOR USHER:** Bonny Naugher

**USHERS:** David and Shawn Owens, Jay Schmid, Tim and Joyce Ryan

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Ellen and Ken Anderson in gratitude to God for their 45th anniversary and for the joyful Westminster community.

**MUSIC PROGRAM NOTE** I was a very young, know-it-all musician in the New York of the late sixties when I got a good lesson in what the word Prelude could mean. A friend snuck me into a darkened concert hall in Harlem to hear Duke Ellington prepare himself for a concert. He played quietly on a piano a composition originally written by his long time friend and music collaborator Billy Strayhorn, who had died not long before. For the remainder of his long career Ellington played some variation of Lotus to himself before every concert. His widow asked that Alec Wyton adapt and play it on organ before Ellington's funeral at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Lucky me-Wyton was one of my teachers and passed on his adaptation to me and other students. I pass my version on to you. Today we might call this "centering" prayer but it is what musicians have done for thousands of years.  
-Theresa Pepin

**PRAYER LIST** (Please keep the following names in your prayers this week)

Juanita Campbell, Sonja Jones, Judy and Joseph Moon, Lalla Phillips, Kitty Rasa, Doris Solomon, Sara Cantrell, Vicki Chapman, Kenny Baker, Jonah McCollum, Karen and her son Brian, Anne Hector (Mary Jo Mann's niece).

### **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 am**

**Adult Bible Study** is reading the Gospel of Matthew. We meet in the McKinnon room each Sunday before worship.

### **CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS AT WESTMINSTER**

During 10:00 Hour - Nursery available for children ages 0-3 years old

*Children up to 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be walked to Children's Church classes following the Time with Children during the 10:00 worship service.*

**WPC WOMBATS** Come and support our own softball team as they play First Presbyterian Fighting Turnips at Rocky Hill Ballfields August 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

**SAFE ZONE TRAINING TODAY!!!** Shannon Brown from Appalachian OUTreach has offered to us a three week class to help us along that journey of inclusion. The goal of these classes is to deepen our understandings of the LGBTQ+ community, terminology and language and the current issues of living in Tennessee. The class will start after worship and begin at 11:15 and generally go for one hour. (McKinnon Room) Childcare is available. If you have any questions contact Gradye Parsons, gradye@wpcknox.org.

**GLOBAL MISSIONS** Come meet the Rev. Dr. Elmarie Parker, the PCUSA Mission Co-Worker and Regional Liaison in the Middle Eastern countries of Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, and the Gulf States since 2013. The program will be held Wednesday, July 31st, here at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Participants are invited to a free Middle Eastern meal catered by Yassin's at 6:00 pm in the Lisa Kaufman Hall, followed by the program at 6:45.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES** This summer, WPC has opportunities to help Home Federal with their full build of a house for Habitat for Humanity. They are mainly looking for help with Registrar and hospitality, but may have other needs as well. The dates are: 8/3/24, and 9/28/24. The location is 205 Sapling Lane. To register go online to: knoxvillehabitat.volunteerhub.com/vv2/1p/westminsterpres  
If you have any questions, contact Daniel Lewis at (865)806-3487.

### **WEST VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REOPENING**

**Friday, August 2:** Volunteers needed to unload mulch. Please call 865-405-7811 or email at c.vanbeke@comcast.net.

**Saturday, August 3** at 8:30 a.m.–Noon: West View workday. Our volunteers will sign-up in advance so we can allocate work, e.g., grounds, staining, interior painting, classroom and educational materials preparation. Call Charlie 865-405-7811

**Clinic Donations** - There is a need for items in the clinic and classrooms of West View. Please deliver your donated items to the church office by August 1: Unscented lotion, Lysol wipes and spray, Clorox wipes, Ziplock bags (all sizes including gallon), baby wipes, tissues, paper towels, wet wipes for face/hands, hand sanitizer (multiple sizes), Dixie cups.

**RALLY DAY** Noteworthy activities have been accomplished at Westminster over the last year. If you would like to share those accomplishments and request new ideas and participation for this coming year, please sign up for a table at this year's **Rally Day** on **August 11<sup>th</sup>** during the Sunday School hour. Sign up by the first of August so we can plan the number of tables to ready. Please see Kathy Parsons if you have any questions.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** This year, we'll be looking at Dr. Lauren Winner's book, *Mudhouse Sabbath*. If you are planning to participate, you can pick up a book in the church office. We'll meet for the first time Thursday, August 1 at 10:30 a.m. in Lisa Kaufman Hall. If you have questions, contact Mary Boyd, maryboyd1@gmail.com

**FAMILY RPOMISE FUNDRAISER** Come to the Pasta and Bluegrass Festival benefitting Family Promise of Knoxville, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm at Sacred Heart School Live Bluegrass music by Demijohns. Tickets: Adult \$15, children \$10, family package \$40. Details at FamilyPromiseKnoxville.org.

**BECK CULTURAL CENTER** 10<sup>th</sup> annual Eighth of August Jubilee on Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at the Tennessee Theatre. Beck will be showing the premier of the short featured film, "William H. Hastie: Good and Noble." The film is a tribute to one of the most influential and highest ranking African Americans at the turn of the century. This film aims to inform, inspire, and encourage, and will include special guests, William H. Hastie's son and his wife, Loki Mulholland; the son of Civil Rights icon Joan Trumpauer Mulholland and an award winning film producer, will also be there. As a member of WPC you can receive \$5 off ticket prices which can be purchased online BeckCenter.net or directly through their office, 865-524-8461.

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### **OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE**

#### **Sunday, July 28**

9:00am - Bible Study Class

9:00am - Summer Choir Practice

10:00am - Sanctuary Worship

11:15am - Safe Zone for churches class

6:30pm - Second Years Session Meeting

#### **Monday, July 29**

9:00am - Noon - Parents Morning Out

6:30pm - Music Search Team Meeting

#### **Tuesday, July 30**

10:00am - Staff meeting

#### **Wednesday, July 31**

9:00am - Noon - Parents Morning Out

4:30pm - Companions

6:00pm - Peacemaking Dinner

#### **Thursday, August 1**

10:30am - Women's Bible Study

#### **Friday, August 2**

10:00am - Savvy Caregiver Class