



**The Order of Worship**

**August 4, 2024  
10:00 A.M.**

**ELEVENTH 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.*

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**PRELUDE** Introit Maurice Duruflé  
**CALL TO WORSHIP\*\*** Mary Boyd

One: We do not live by bread alone,  
**All: but by the Word who became flesh and dwells among us.**  
 One: Christ is the true bread of heaven, the manna of freedom.  
**All: Come, let us worship and give thanks.**

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 667** (*Glory to God* hymnal) When Morning Gilds the Skies  
*Laudes Domini*

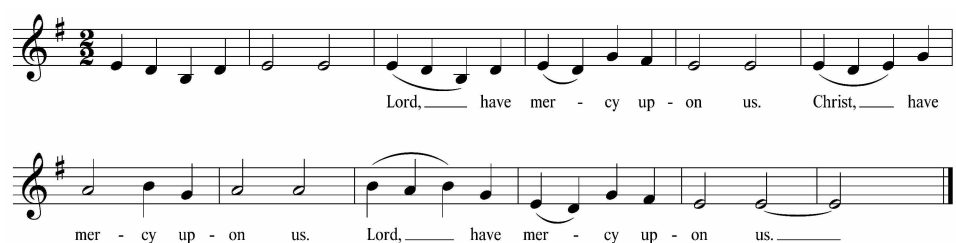
**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

**Compassionate and Gentle God,**  
 you have created us in Love to be your people.  
 As we gather for worship,  
 we are reminded that we have lost sight of this Gift  
 and forgotten how to really love you.  
 We have worshiped other gods,  
 put our faith in the riches of this world,  
 and impressed ourselves with misguided power.  
 We have looked for help in the wrong places  
 and ignored the extravagances you lay before us.

Send your Spirit to come and breathe its life-sustaining and life-altering presence into us in these moments of worship.  
 Send your Spirit of renewal and transformation.  
 Send your Spirit that up-ends our lives and sets us on a new path.  
 Send your Spirit, O Lord.  
 Hear our prayers  
 and remake us in Your image once again.  
 Amen.

**\*KYRIE ELEISON** arr. David N. Johnson

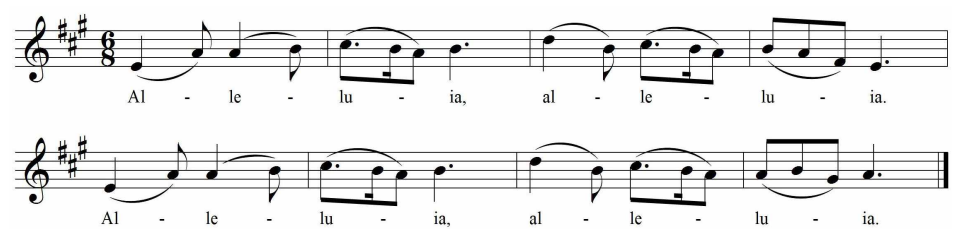


**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

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** (Unison)

**Holy God, may the reading of your Word be the bread you send from heaven that gives life to the world. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READING** Ephesians 4:1-16

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** Cameron Sears

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

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 6:24-35

**SERMON** "Taste and See the Grace Eternal" Barbara Adamcik

**\*HYMN NO. 509** (*Glory to God* hymnal) All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly  
*Holy Manna*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)  
 from the United Church of Canada's *Song of Faith* (2006)

**We sing of God the Spirit,**  
 who from the beginning has swept over the face of creation,  
 animating all energy and matter  
 and moving in the human heart.

**We sing of God the Spirit,**  
 faithful and untameable,  
 who is creatively and redemptively active in the world.

**The Spirit challenges us to celebrate the holy**  
 not only in what is familiar,  
 but also in that which seems foreign.

**We sing of the Spirit,**  
 who speaks our prayers of deepest longing  
 and enfolds our concerns and confessions,  
 transforming us and the world.

**We offer worship**  
 as an outpouring of gratitude and awe  
 and a practice of opening ourselves  
 to God's still, small voice of comfort,  
 to God's rushing whirlwind of challenge.  
**Through word, music, art, and sacrament,**  
**in community and in solitude,**  
**God changes our lives, our relationships, and our world.**

**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** Day by Day Martin How

Day by day dear Lord of thee three things I pray. To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly. Follow thee more nearly, day by day.

**\*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**

**CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION**

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (Responsive)

One: The Lord be with you.  
**Many: And also with you.**  
 One: Lift up your hearts.  
**Many: We lift them to the Lord.**  
 One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**  
 One: Creator God... forever sing to the glory of your name.  
**Many: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**  
 One: Jesus came as teacher... we proclaim the mystery of faith.  
**Many: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

**PRAYER OF CONSECRATION** and **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.**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**BREAKING OF BREAD**

*Congregation will come forward to receive the elements.  
 All pre-cut bread is gluten free.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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

\***HYMN NO. 519** (*Glory to God* hymnal) You Are My Strength When I am Weak  
*Jernigan*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

Fugue sur le thème du Carillon des Heures de la cathédrale de Soissons  
Maurice Duruflé

\*Please stand in Body or Spirit

\*\*Call to Worship from the Abingdon Worship Annual 2009, @2008 Abingdon Press.

Prayer of Confession by Rev. Shannan Vance-Ocampo, Watchung Avenue  
Presbyterian Church, North Plainfield, NJ

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Kathryn Oakes and Ed Babelay

**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR AUGUST:** Cindy Spangler

**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS/ HEARING DEVICES** are available from the ushers.

**SERVING TODAY**

**GREETERS:** Linda Rutherford and Carol Beilharz

**LITURGIST:** Mary Boyd

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** Summer Choir

**ORGANIST:** Theresa Pepin

**PIANIST:** Ibbie Muntz

**SUMMER CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Ibbie Muntz

**SHEPHERD’S TEAM:** Bryan Powell

**SENIOR USHER:** Alice Mercer

**USHERS:** Ken Hughes, Penny Tschantz, Linda Van Beke, Melissa Everett, David Woodall

**SPECIAL THANKS** this morning to musician Karen Yarbrow who is pulling stops for the Postlude.

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Mary Boyd in memory of her son Andrew, who would have celebrated his 40<sup>th</sup> birthday on August 2.

**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).

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE REMINDER** Beginning August 11<sup>th</sup>, we will be going back to two services, 9:00am in the Ruthie Carey Pavilion and 11:00am in the sanctuary.

**MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT** is August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Fellowship ministry will provide refreshments.

**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.*

**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.

**MEN’S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST** Begins on Thursday, August 22 at 8:30am in the McKinnon Room. We will start up the Men's Breakfast with a program by John Smartt entitled “Avoiding Political Regret”. The breakfast will be provided by Tim Crais. The program should be very thought-provoking with lots of discussion, and the breakfast should titillate your taste buds!! So, mark your calendars and come join us for a rousing good time and bring a friend if you can.

**RALLY DAY NEWS** All are invited to take a walk through our noteworthy moments of spiritual formation and mission happenings at Westminster. Listen to the music. Make some music. Meander through our church seeing things in use to create noteworthy moments. Walk and talk with your friends as you see the mural painted by last year’s confirmands. Experience the children’s worship space. Listen to the sounds of learning as the children create. Explore our library. Meander through all of the missions of our congregation. Let members of the Spiritual Formation Team know of your own mission of spiritual formation. Please join in for a new type of Rally Day experiencing the many missions of Westminster on August 11<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:00am in the Lisa Kaufman Hall.

**FAMILY PROMISE 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 will be available today in the Schilling Gallery: Adult \$15, children \$10, family package \$40. Details at FamilyPromiseKnoxville.org.

**WPC HIKE** This month we will explore Big Creek located off I-40 near the NC state line. This moderate hike is 4.2 miles roundtrip and includes 605 feet of elevation gain. Plan to meet at the Strawberry Plains Cracker Barrel, 1510 Cracker Barrel Lane, Knoxville, at 9 AM to organize carpools. Park facing Weigels. Drivers to the trailhead must have a Smokies parking sticker or be prepared to purchase one (\$5) at the Big Creek parking lot. Please register with Cindy Spangler if you plan to join the hike! spangler2@gmail.com

**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.

**JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION** of the Parsons 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. WPC has been invited to join in Gradye and Kathy’s celebration being held by their children, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm-3:00pm in the Pavilion.

**WESTMINSTER NIGHT AT THE SMOKIES** will be held on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm. Tickets can be bought through church office for \$15 each. Deadline to reserve is August 18<sup>th</sup>.

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Joanna Warren, Administrative Assistant

Linda Judge McRae, Parish Nurse

Debbie Bendy, Abbey Editor

Sawyer Warren, Worship Tech

**OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sunday, August 4**

9:00am - Bible Study Class

9:00am - Summer Choir Practice

10:00am - Sanctuary Worship

11:15am - Safe Zone for churches class

5:00pm - *Abbey* deadline

6:00pm - WPC Wombats vs. First Presbyterian Fighting Turnips

**Monday, August 5**

6:30pm - Music Search Team Meeting

**Tuesday, August 6**

10:00am - Staff meeting

5:30pm - Youth Advisory Meeting

6:30pm - Brass Choir

**Wednesday, August 7**

4:30pm - Companions

**Thursday, August 8**

9:30am - Men’s Book Club

1:00pm - FISH

7:00pm - Handbell Choir Gathering

**THE SESSION**

**Class of 2025**

Ed Babelay

Wendy Collins

Janet Drumm

Stephen Fortney

Barbara Froula

Youth Elder: Lucy Gilbert

**Class of 2026**

Bill Farnham

Lee Ingram

Lucy Johnson

Kathryn Oakes

Richard Ward

**Class of 2027**

George Barber

Mary Boyd

Allie Brewington

Emily Gustafson

Ken Hughes

Clerk of Session: Bitsy Ingram

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