

The Order of Worship

**October 18, 2009
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

When the prelude begins let us quietly prepare for the Worship of God.

PRELUDE Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan Johann Gottfried Walther
What God Ordains Is Always Good

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Ritual of Friendship

A Fellowship register will be found on the pew nearest the center aisle. Please fill it out and pass toward the outside and then return it to the center aisle, taking note of who is sitting in the pew with you. Following worship, please greet those around you. If you are a visitor and would like insight into the life of Westminster, pick up an Information Packet from the credenza in the Narthex of this Sanctuary.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me!
People: And let us exalt his name together.
Leader: Wait on the Lord; be of good courage.
People: And he shall strengthen your heart.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 478** (blue hymnal) Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven *Lauda anima*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

O God, we come this morning as people in need, separated from you, confessing our shortsightedness. We hear the cries and sorrows of neighbors. We see the problems and injustices of the day. We feel the burdens and stress of life. Help us, Lord, to hear and to listen. Help us to see the beautiful light at the end of whatever darkness surrounds us. Help us to trust that darkness never defeats the light of your love. From you there are new mercies each morning. With you there is always a loving presence. Transform us into your trusting children that we might journey in joyous paths and faithful love.

***RESPONSE** Take, O Take Me as I Am John L. Bell

***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 Job 29

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Buz Johnson

Children age 4 through 3rd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children's Worship. A nursery is available during the entire service for infants through age 3.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00) Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

Jerry and Scott Carley, John and Beth Chang, Eric and Amy Theiss

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00) Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

Eric Theiss and Nina Theiss

GOSPEL READING Mark 10:35-45

SERMON "If Life Had a Second Edition" Rev. John Linton Muntz

*"Oh that I were as in the months of old, as in the days when God watched over me,
when his lamp shone over my head." – Job 29:2*

***HYMN NO. 284** (blue hymnal) O God, What You Ordain Is Right *Was Gott tut*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

We believe that God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of his dealing with us. 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. God has created us and has endowed us with capacities to make the world serve his needs and to enjoy its good things. Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage. We 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 our creative powers for the fulfillment of all life.

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you for ever, even the spirit of truth.

John 14:15-17

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 591 (blue hymnal)
(Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 542 (blue hymnal))

Tallis' Canon

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 282** (blue hymnal) (11:00) If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

Wer nur den lieben Gott

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586** (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Tuba Tune in D Major

C. S. Lang

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP here today.

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK are Megan Milam and Jeff Bendy.

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR OCTOBER: Georgann Byerley

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Leah Woehr and Caroline Rogers

GREETERS:

(9:00) Tom and Georgann Byerley

(11:00) Scott and Ashley Porter

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Nursery Staff

(11:00) Sharon Boyce and Jack Woodall, Sam Phillips and Ryan Rotella

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Members of the Chancel Choir

SENIOR USHER: George Lane

USHERS:

(9:00) Bob and Lucinda Albiston

(11:00) Bob Daverman, Mary Lou Crow, Sue Caradine, Mark Potocik, Tim Ryan

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in honor of Lauren and Nicholas Woodall by Sharon Boyce and Jack Woodall.

OUR THANKS to Meredith Mackay, Jennifer Collins, John Harrison, and Terrance McCracken for their enrichment of our worship this morning.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR and soloists will present Johannes Brahms' *A German Requiem* Tuesday evening, November 3, at 7:30, in the sanctuary as a service of remembrance. We hope you'll be able to join us! A nursery will be provided. As preparation for this service, please take advantage of the course on the Brahms taught by Reverend Muntz and Daniel Berry during the Sunday School hour.

THE TITLE OF THIS MORNING'S POSTLUDE is a bit misleading if you're not an organist.

"Tuba" refers to a loud trumpet stop, on high wind pressure, that is used for soloing out festive melodies or majestic fanfares.

THE FALL FESTIVAL BEGINS TODAY AT 4:00 P.M. Please remember to bring lawn chairs, a flashlight, and \$7 per person for dinner. In case of rain, it will moved to the Fellowship Hall.

PLEASE CHECK THE LOST AND FOUND in the kitchen if you are missing any items. We will soon be making a donation of unclaimed items to Goodwill.

OUR RACE FOR THE CURE TEAM this year will be co-led by Kathryn Oakes and Meredith Mackay. Online registrations have closed, but late sign-ups can be done at West Town Mall October 21-23. Please see www.komenknoxville.org for details. The race begins at **8:30 a.m. Saturday, October 24**. As an alternative to walking or running, you can sign up to "Sleep in for the Cure" or make an online donation to our Westminster Tribe Alive team.

STEWARDSHIP DINNER NOVEMBER 4: Please reserve Wednesday evening, November 4, to join us for the annual Stewardship Dinner. In keeping with our WWW format, we'll have dinner at 5:45 p.m. and then give Buran a break in his teaching by having the Stewardship Ministry Team lead the program. Come and learn about Westminster's programs and how your stewardship supports them.

RESERVE YOUR SPOT for next year's LeConte hike! Please send your \$50 deposit to the church office, noting "LeConte reservation" on your check. The hike will take place July 24, 2010.

OLIVE BRANCH OLIVE OIL is available for purchase. This delicious oil is produced by agricultural cooperatives in Palestine. It is first-cold-pressed, extra-virgin, fair trade, organic Holy Land oil, superb for cooking, salads or dipping. The cost is \$18 per bottle or \$180 for a case of 12 bottles. Proceeds from the sale of the oil go to support the cooperatives and re-planting orchards destroyed by the Occupation in the West Bank. To place an order, please contact Bingham Pope. Thank you for your continued support of this effort.

SESSION DOCKETS are available in the narthex for all current elders. The next Stated Session meeting will be held on Sunday, October 25 at 12:15 p.m.

ROAD TRIP: Interested in finding out how the non profits operate or looking for a volunteer opportunity? Then please join us on a road trip.

October 22 - Second Harvest Food Bank from 10:00 to 1:00 p.m.

October 21 or 23 - Mobile Meals 9:30 to noon.

After viewing the kitchen process there will be a chance to join a team as they deliver meals. Let's meet at the church about 40 minutes earlier and divide into car pools. then after our tours how about out to lunch for those with a little extra time and a good appetite. Please call Linda Van Beke or Kathy Shilling.

NOON DAY RECITAL: If you happen to be in downtown Knoxville in the middle of the day on Monday, October 19, drop by St. John's Cathedral for the Noonday Vocal Recital by Bettie Mason, with Margaret Harrison at the piano. They are performing songs by British composers: Butterworth, Parry, Stanford, and Britten. Their program, in the Great Hall at St. John's, begins at 12:05 p.m. and runs until about 12:30. Lunch is available following the recital.

Adult Sunday School Classes for today:

Brahms' German Requiem	Fellowship Hall
	Leaders: Daniel Berry and John Muntz
How to Interpret the Bible	McKinnon Room
	Leaders: Frank Marsh and Buran Phillips
Bible Basics Class	Library
	Leaders: Ellen Anderson, Scott Brunger
Women in Touch (formerly Mothers in Touch)	Prayer Room
	Leader: Leslie Rotella

WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER CONTINUES THIS WEEK AT 5:45 P.M.

The classes being offered after dinner are: Buran's theology class, the Companions in Christ class study of "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World" and the current topics class "College Night". OR - you are welcome to just sit at the table and fellowship with one another.

The current topic class is "College Night". This class will be designed for our high schoolers to help them with the college exploration process. We will have a professional admissions person here to make a presentation entitled "Called to College: Finding the Fit". Here are some of the topics to be presented: Search Tools - How to get Started - Visiting Opportunities - What Questions should I ask? - How to Apply The Admissions Essay - Financial Aid - Scholarships - How to Compare One College to Another. In addition to the professional presentation, we will also have members of our church representing their alma maters and there will be brochures available from some of their colleges. Those members will also be available to answer questions. Christian Education Ministry Team requests that you send us the name of the college that you attended so that we can give a comprehensive list to the high schoolers on College Night.