

The Order of Worship

**April 18, 2010
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

PRELUDE Echo Fantasia No. 12 in A Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

MINUTE FOR MISSION Earth Day Lisa Ellis

INTROIT (11:00) Fairest Lord Jesus Calvin Hampton

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, You are of God and man the Son; You will I cherish,
You will I honor, You, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring; Jesus
is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling starry host: Jesus shines
brighter, Jesus shines purer, Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Münster *Gesangbuch*, 1677

Boys' and Girls' Choirs

CALL TO WORSHIP Adapted from Psalm 30

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O faithful ones,

People: Give thanks to his holy name.

Leader: Weeping may linger for the night,

People: But joy comes with the morning.

Leader: You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and
clothed me with joy.

People: O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 35** (red hymnal) When Morning Gilds the Skies *Laudes Domini*

***CALL TO CONFESSION** Anne Millett, Liturgist

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

O Lord our God, in the midst of a time of despair, you raised Jesus to new life. When all
seemed lost and hopeless, you revealed your victory over death and gave us resurrection

hope. You have moved the stones of death and despair. You offer new life to those who trust
you. But we have doubted this good news and lived as if Jesus were defeated and without
hope. We have failed to reflect the light of your amazing love, now alive through our risen
Savior. Forgive us for shallow lives and closed minds, for hopeless outlook and failing faith.
Give us courage to believe and follow where you lead, that we may share the heart of Christ
with the heart of our city and your world.

***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** Celtic Alleluia (*sing twice*) Fintan O'Carroll

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

GOSPEL READING John 21:1-14

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Bart Carey

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.

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 9:10-18

SERMON "Unknown Heroes of the Faith" Rev. John Linton Muntz

"The Lord said...look for a man of Tarsus named Saul" – Acts 9:11

***HYMN NO. 364** (blue hymnal) I Sing a Song of the Saints of God *Grand Isle*

***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

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

THE OFFERING

*Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle. As 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) Fairest Lord Jesus Calvin Hampton
(The text is found at the Introit.)

(11:00) This Joyful Eastertide Dutch carol
arr. Charles Wood

This joyful Eastertide, Away with sin and sorrow! My Love, the Crucified, Hath sprung to life this morrow. Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst his three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest, And for a season slumber: Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in number. (Refrain)

Death's flood hath lost his chill, Since Jesus cross'd the river: Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver. (Refrain)

G. R. Woodward

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 514 (red hymnal) *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** (11:00) The Earth Is the Lord's *St. Denio*
(see insert)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Hail Thee, Festival Day! *Salve festa dies*

***POSTLUDE** Präambulum ex clave F (from *The Lüneburg Organ Tablature*) Anonymous

*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 Wes Williams.

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR APRIL: Carlene Robinson

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available from the ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Leah Milam and Sam Phillips

GREETERS (11:00): June Martin and Marty Pryor

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Nursery Staff

(11:00) Eric and Amy Theiss, Delaney Sears

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Boys' and Girls' Choirs

(11:00) Boys', Chancel, and Girls' Choirs

SENIOR USHER: Tom Byerley

USHERS:

(9:00) Kathy Huck and John Styron

(11:00) Georgann Byerley, Brian Bonnyman, Scott Brunger, Rick and Janice Rawe

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in loving memory of Benjamin Harmon by Gary, Katherine, Kaitlyn and Nathan Harmon.

DUTCH ORGANIST AND COMPOSER Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621) assumed the post of organist at the Oude Kerk (Old Church) in Amsterdam in 1580, succeeding his father. A most influential teacher, Samuel Scheidt, Melchior Schildt, and Heinrich Scheidemann were among his pupils. This morning's prelude lives up to its title— the echoes are contrasting not only in pitch level and dynamic, but also in terms of registration (which stops are pulled). The effect is charming and playful, yet throughout the piece, the organ's beauty, elegance, and essence are allowed to be heard with clarity.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called by Session for April 25 following the 11:00 worship service for the purpose of hearing a report from the Nominating Committee and electing elders for the class of 2013, a youth elder for the class of 2011, and one trustee for the class of 2013. The slate of nominees is:

Elder, Class of 2013: Ruthie Carey, Kristi Gordon, Buz Johnson, Tim Ryan and John Salsbery

Youth Elder, Class of 2011: Anna Rennich

Trustee, Class of 2013: Roy Hawk

STEPHEN MINISTERS meet for CE and Supervision Monday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the SHOW room.

ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, the eve of the 40th anniversary of Earth Day, Blessed Earth will host a live, one-night only simulcast event entitled *Hope for Creation*, to highlight the issue of faith-based environmental stewardship. The event begins at 7:30 p.m. and lasts for one hour. Churches all across the United States are participating, as well as congregations in South America, Africa, Europe and Asia. **Westminster will stream this event in the McKinnon Room this coming Wednesday at 7:30. Please plan to attend this pivotal event with us!** Additional information can be found at www.blessedearth.org.

THE COMPANIONS IN CHRIST STUDY GROUP has begun a new study entitled *The Way of Transforming Discipleship*. This is an exciting study, with an interesting twist at the end. Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Books cost \$12 and are available at the meeting.

THURSDAY MEN'S FELLOWSHIP: On Thursday, April 22 at 7:00 a.m. a group of men will meet in the McKinnon Room for breakfast and a short discussion-oriented lesson. John Shilling will provide the meal and Dave Dupper will lead the lesson, which is entitled "Midlife Spirituality." If you want to review the lesson ahead of time contact Renee at renee_wpc@comcast.net and she will email the lesson to you. You can also pick up a hard copy in the church office. Come join us and bring a friend, family member or neighbor.

A STATED SESSION MEETING will take place Sunday, April 25 at 12:15 p.m. in the McKinnon Room.

WESTMINSTER PLAYERS' SPRING MUSICAL REVUE: Feed both your mouths and your ears the weekend of April 30 - May 2. For the Friday and Saturday performances, our youth will help transform the evening into a Broadway dinner theatre experience as a fundraiser for Montreat. After an optional Italian dinner, you will be treated to a smorgasbord of songs, with a variety of tasty musical morsels by over a dozen composers, from Berlin to Bernstein. A matinee is available on Sunday after the Wise and Wonderful Luncheon.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

"If You Want to Walk on Water, You Have to Get Out of the Boat" McKinnon Room

What does that mean? " It means facing your fears and choosing not to let fear have the last word." " It means discovering and embracing the unique calling of God on your life." " It means experiencing the power of God in your life to do something you would not be able of doing on your own." Laura Barron and Gail Clark will be facilitating the class. Books are available for \$8.

Bible Basics Class Fellowship Hall

Join us as we continue our study of Psalm 15.

April 25-May 2

Share Your Faith Journey Library

Members will be "invited to reflect on their experience of God's presence in their life and God's absence, the people and events who have shaped or inspired their faith most, and the faith convictions they affirm, and those with which they struggle." Join Tim Crais and others in the library during the Sunday school hour to share your faith journey.

NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP GATHERINGS have begun taking place for the purpose of discussing the Vision Task Force recommendations. Upcoming group meetings are listed below. We hope that you will be a part of the shaping of a new vision for Westminster Presbyterian Church!

Date	Time	Neighborhood Group
April 18	3:00 p.m.	Rocky Hill
April 25	3:00 p.m.	Farragut
April 25	6:00 p.m.	Cedar Bluff
May 2	5:00 p.m.	Peninsula
May 2	6:00 p.m.	Sequoyah and Westmoreland
May 4	7:00 p.m.	Westminster
May 7	6:30 p.m.	Bluegrass
May 16	12:00 p.m.	Kingston Woods

Vacation Bible School
Sunday, June 27 – Thursday, July 1

This year, Erin Presbyterian Church will join us for a combined daytime Vacation Bible School. Their church has a new addition under construction, and we will enjoy sharing our time and facilities with them.

Attendance and volunteer sign-ups are in the Schilling Gallery. We will need help with snacks, crafts, shepherding, games, decorating and co-leading classes. If you are interested in helping in any way, please fill out the form below and return it to the offering plate or to the church office. You may also sign up by contacting Angela at angela_wpc@comcast.net or at 556-8034.

Our schedule:

Sunday, June 27 – 2:00-5:00 p.m., followed by a cookout for the entire family

Monday, June 28 – Thursday, July 1 – 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Attendance Sign-up:

A nursery is available for infants and toddlers of volunteers. Preschoolers aged 2-3 (potty trained), 4 and 5, as well as students currently in kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome to sign-up.

We also need middle and high school students to lead the games.

Name:_____ Age or Current School Grade:_____

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Volunteer Sign-up:

Name(s):_____

Please circle your volunteer interest:

crafts snacks shepherd decorations class co-leader