



The Order of Worship

May 30, 2021
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

TRINITY SUNDAY

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

PRELUDE

(9:00) Mighty Lord, Thy Faithfulness Abideth Ever Antonio Lotti
trans. Peter Van Eenam

Trombone Choir

(11:00) O Herre Gott, Vater in Ewigkeit Johann Michael Bach
O Lord God, Eternal Father

Verse 1

Verse 2 Christe, aller Welt Heiland
Christ, Savior of the World

Verse 3 O Gott, heiliger Geist
O God, Holy Spirit

Chorale text: Kyrie, God Father in eternity! Great is your mercy, creator and ruler of all things. Eleison.

Christe, comfort of the whole world! You alone have redeemed us sinners. O Jesus, Son of God! You are our mediator at the highest throne. To you we cry with heart's desire. Eleison.

Kyrie, God, Holy Spirit, comfort, strengthen us above all in faith so that we gladly depart from this misery at our death. Eleison.
Anonymous
literal trans. Mark Bighley

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) Sing Praise to Our Creator *Christus, der ist mein Leben*
Melchior Vulpius

Sing praise to our creator, O you of Adam's race; God's children by adoption, baptized into his grace.

To Jesus Christ give glory, God's co-eternal Son; as members of his Body we live in him as one.

And praise the Holy Spirit poured forth upon the earth; who sanctifies and guides us, confirmed in our rebirth.

Mark Evans

CALL TO WORSHIP Wander Barber, Liturgist

Leader: In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

People: Behold our God is the Creator.

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...

People: Behold our God is the Redeemer.

Leader: The earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters.

People: Behold our God is the Holy Spirit.

Leader: Let us worship the Lord our God!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 138** (blue hymnal) Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! *Nicaea*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, we confess that we have ignored the signs of your presence as well as the call to live more fully as your people. We confess we get stuck in time-worn concepts, perspectives, and prejudices about our world and the people in it. We confess that we are more often takers rather than givers, more often slaves of habit and conformity rather than disciples of healthy change. We confess before you the places in our hearts where we have refused your Spirit to enter, and the places in our lives where we might more fully exhibit the transforming love of Jesus Christ. In His name, we pray. Amen.

***KYRIE ELEISON NO. 574** (blue hymnal) arr. David N. Johnson

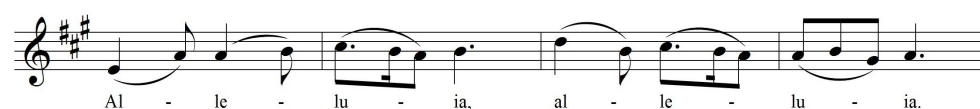
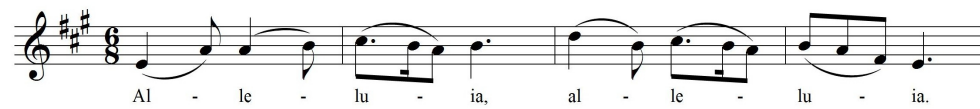
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

***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 ...

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:12-17

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Allie Brewington

Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go to the playground after the lesson.

SCRIPTURE READING John 3:1-17

SERMON Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

***HYMN NO. 267** (blue hymnal) All Things Bright and Beautiful *Royal Oak*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith PC(U.S.A.)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

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 gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle.

Though 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) Ach Gott, vom Himmel Michael Praetorius

O God, from Heaven Look Below trans. Peter Van Eenam

Trombone Choir

(11:00) Praise the Father and the Son Tomás Luis de Victoria

Praise the Father and the Son, Sing their praise with jubilation, Honor God

the Father and the Son, Worship each eternally, Blessed be the Holy Trinity,

Render praise coequally. Amen.

Robert S. Hines

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 608 (*Glory to God* hymnal) *Tallis' Canon*

(Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 748 (*Glory to God* hymnal))

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

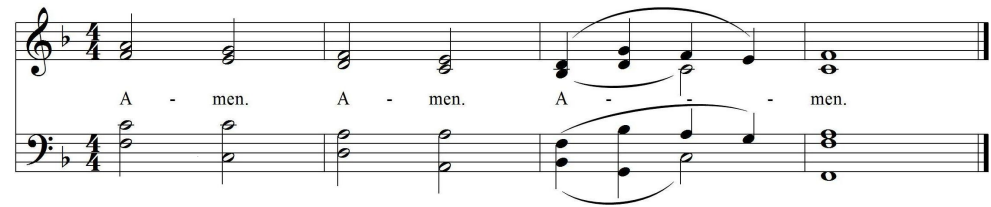
***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 139** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Come, Thou Almighty King *Italian Hymn*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (9:00)** Amen Danish melody



***BENEDICTION RESPONSE (11:00)** As It Was in the Beginning Peter Van Eenam
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen.
from the *Lesser Doxology*

***POSTLUDE**
(9:00) O Herre Gott, Vater in Ewigkeit Johann Michael Bach
O Lord God, Eternal Father

(11:00) Der du bist drei in Einigkeit Johann Michael Bach
Thou Who Art Three in Unity

Chorale text: Thou who art Three in Unity, True God from all eternity, The sun
is fading from our sight, Shine thou on us with heavenly light.
Martin Luther

*Indicates standing.

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NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP here today.

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Colleen Manrod and William Milam

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR MAY: Lana Daverman

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from the ushers.

SERVING TODAY

SENIOR USHER: Buz Johnson

USHERS:

(9:00) Jack Carley, Colleen Manrod

(11:00) Gary and Sandra Rowcliffe, Mike Kaufman, Bill Holt, Janet Drumm

GREETERS:

(11:00) Kathryn Oakes and Ibbie Muntz

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Trombone Choir

(11:00) Members of the Chancel Choir

SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Bryan and Rachel Powell

MANY THANKS TO WANDA BARBER for serving as Liturgist this morning.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Berta Bergia in gratitude for the Westminster family.

JOHANN MICHAEL BACH (1648-1694), J. S. Bach’s father-in-law and father’s cousin, served as an organist and composer in the Thuringian towns of Arnstadt and Gehren.

LEMONADE TIME: Join us after the 11am worship service for a glass of lemonade while you fellowship with your Westminster family. The table will be set up outside in front of the Sanctuary (weather permitting).

MEMORIAL DAY: The church office will be closed on Monday, May 31, for the Memorial holiday.

FRIENDS OF FISH: Volunteers are needed on June 8, June 17 and June 27 at 5:30 pm for bagging groceries at the pantry (934 Weisgarber Rd., Church of the Savior). Please see Linda Van Beke or Ginger Williams for more information.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be June 21-24. Sign up now with Allie.

MEDIA UPDATE! The 11:00 sanctuary service will be recorded and posted to our YouTube channel Sunday afternoons. You can find a link to our YouTube channel on the front of our website, www.wpcknox.org. Please be patient with us as we learn the new video system installed in the sanctuary.

NOTE FROM SESSION: The CDC has lifted many restrictions on people who are fully vaccinated. Therefore, the Session has agreed to lift the singing restrictions for those fully vaccinated. Out of respect for those in our community who are not vaccinated, we will still practice social distancing, mask wearing and other precautions.



June 8 at 5:30 pm..... Packing bags at the FISH Pantry

June 10 at noon..... Delivering bags of groceries for FISH ministry

June 13 - 18 Montreat Youth Conference (high school youth)

June 17 at 5:30 pm Packing bags at the FISH Pantry

June 21 - 24 Vacation Bible School

June 26 at 3:00 pm Celebration of Life Service for Betty Hanes in pavilion

June 27 at 5:30 pm Packing bags at the FISH Pantry

June 28 - July 1 Operation Backyard (middle and high school youth)

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Melissa Everett, Administrative Assistant

Daniel Lewis, Youth Assistant

Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

will meet through Summer.

Feasting on the Word

This lectionary-based class meets each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the pavilion. Will not meet this morning.

Bible Study

The Adult Bible Study class is studying Galatians each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the McKinnon Room with a Zoom option.

Women’s Bible Study Groups

There are two opportunities for Women’s Bible study. Both groups are using the same curriculum, which is entitled *Into the Light*. We are taking a look at lament in scripture and our lives. The evening group meets on the fourth Monday of each month (April 26) at 7:00 pm (via Zoom). The morning group meets on the first Thursday of each month (June 3) at 10:00 a.m. in the Ruthie Carey Pavilion.

Congregational Chat Zoom with John & Ibbie Muntz

Will meet Mondays at 7:00 pm, the link can be found in E-news.

Class of 2021

Brian Bonnyman

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Amy Gilbert

Buz Johnson

Rachel Powell

Youth Elder: Shea Bell

Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

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