



The Order of Worship

February 6, 2022  
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

**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.*

**PRELUDE** Three and Sixteen (from *Miniatures for Organ*) Herbert Howells  
**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**  
**CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Gradye Parsons

Leader: Your steadfast love, Lord, never ceases,  
**People: Your mercies never come to an end;**  
Leader: They are new every morning; so let us proclaim -  
**All: Great is Your faithfulness. Great is Your love. Great is Your mercy.**  
**And greatly is Your name to be praised!**

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 23** (*Glory to God* hymnal) God, You Spin the Whirling Planets  
*Pleading Savior*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**  
God, you call us to humble service, to love our neighbors and our enemies, to do justice and offer mercy. But we do not respond as we should. We pretend we do not hear your call. We excuse ourselves from Christian work, citing self-doubt and fear. Our desire for comfort outweighs our desire to do your will. Forgive us, God. Have mercy upon us. Return us to you and your way. 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** Gloria Patri No. 576 (blue hymnal) Jacques Berthier

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

**SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 63:1-8  
**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** (11:00) Rachel Powell  
*Children age 3 through 4<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Sunday School.*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Luke 13:1-9  
**SERMON** “Three Feet” Rev. Rachel Penmore  
**\*HYMN NO. 366** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Love Divine, All Loves Excelling *Hyfrydol*  
**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) From A Brief Statement of Faith)

**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 the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**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 online 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) Oh, Hold Thou Me Up Benedetto Marcello  
Oh, hold Thou me up, guide me in the path of Thy commandments. I am Thy servant, teach me Thy statutes. Hold up my goings in all Thy paths so that my footsteps may not be moved. I call upon Thee in time of distress; I call upon Thee, O Lord, for Thou wilt hear me. Thou art my Refuge; lead me and guide me. Hearken Thou unto me; Haste Thee to help me. Oh, hearken unto my prayer.

Psalm 17:5-6

Meredith Mackay, Soprano  
John Harrison, Tenor  
(11:00) I Will Arise arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw  
I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms, In the arms of my dear Saviour, Oh! there are ten thousand charms.

Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above, Praise the mount, I’m fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Come, thou fount of ev’ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace, Streams of mercy never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.

**\*AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology Traditional  
*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 NO. 432** (*Glory to God* hymnal) (11:00) How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord  
*Repton*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**  
**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (9:00) Amen  
Danish melody

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE** (11:00) Sevenfold Amen John Stainer  
Chancel Choir

**\*POSTLUDE** Voluntary in a William Boyce

\*Indicates standing.

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**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

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

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Melanie Lewis and Charlie Mercer

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

**PLEASE** place your bulletin into a blue recycling bin located at the Narthex door if you do not care to take it home.

**SERVING TODAY**

**ACOLYTES:** Eli Everett and Nolan Oros

**GREETERS:** Bonny Naugher and Ibbie Muntz

**LITURGIST:** Rev. Gradye Parsons

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** (11:00) Members of the Chancel Choir

**SHEPHERD’S TEAM:** Carl Whipple

**SENIOR USHER:** Tom Byerley

**USHERS:**

(9:00) Reed Ellis and Suzanne Graham

(11:00) Jaclyn Beeler, Georgann Byerley, Jack Carley, Rick and Janice Rawe

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Josh and Elizabeth Birdwell in celebration of their son Grant’s 4<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 2nd.

**WE WELCOME** Rev. Rachel Penmore to the pulpit today. Rev. Penmore is the Campus Minister at UKirk at the University of Tennessee. Thank you for being here!

**OUR THANKS** to Meredith Mackay and John Harrison for their enrichment of our worship this morning at the 9:00 service.

**BENEDETTO MARCELLO**, born in Venice in 1686, was a contemporary of J. S. Bach. In addition to his work as a composer, librettist, and writer on music, he was educated in law. The composer of cantatas and oratorios, as well as concertos and sonatas, he is perhaps best known for his 50 psalm paraphrases, published between 1724 and 1727, from which this morning’s aria comes.

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** has been called for Sunday, February 20 after 11:00 a.m. worship service to elect three at-large members of the Nominating Committee, to fulfill the Book of Order requirements regarding dissolving the call between Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips and Westminster Presbyterian Church, and to bestow on the Rev. John Muntz the status of Parish Associate Emeritus in appreciation for years of faithful service to Westminster Presbyterian Church.

**THERE’S A NEW COFFEE SPOT AT WESTMINSTER!** Give it a try on Sunday mornings from 10:00- 11:00 a.m. It’s trying to find a permanent home, but for now our coffee bar is under the TV near the kitchen. It offers an assortment of coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and flavorings for you to enjoy. You can grab a cup to take to a Sunday school class or stay and chat. We’re purchasing our coffee through UPerk at UTK, so we’ll be helping their ministry.

**NAME TAG SUNDAY** is EVERY Sunday. Please fill out a name tag in the Narthex.

**MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT** is February 8 at 6:30.

**SCHILLING GALLERY EXHIBIT:** A special treat awaits you in the Schilling Gallery: Audrey Parsons Yates (wife of Stephen Yates, son of Jim and Linda Yates) brought her pottery pieces from her home in Tullahoma to share with us. Exhibiting with her is her wood-turning father Ralph Parsons. The majority of the pottery is sale! ALSO, local artist Kim Kimmons has a wonderful watercolor exhibit called "The American Cowboy." Stop by and see the beauty of these hand-created pieces of art. Mr. Kimmons is donating all proceeds from the sale of any painting to WPC. What a kind, giving spirit.

**CHILDREN’S OFFERINGS ON SUNDAYS:** There are so many ways for children to be involved on Sunday mornings!

- **9:00 Worship:** Children 0-5 are welcome in the Nursery. Children 6+ remain in Worship
- **10:00 Hour:** Children 0-3 are welcome in the Nursery. Children 4-10 are invited to Fellowship Time downstairs.
- **11:00 Worship:** Children 0-3 are welcome in the Nursery. Children age 3-4th grade remain in Worship until Time with the Children, then are walked downstairs for Primary and Intermediate Sunday school.

**MEN’S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP:** Please join us this Thursday, February 10, at 8:00 a.m. for a program about the international work of Interplast. Dr. Bill Schneider, retired Knoxville plastic and reconstructive surgeon and former Interplast medical director, traveled with volunteer medical teams to more than 20 countries over 15 years doing life-altering surgeries. Bill is an avid photographer and will illustrate his medical and cultural experience from around the world.



**Youth Party Today!!**

We are going to celebrate Daniel TODAY!!! We have been so blessed, having Daniel Lewis on the Westminster staff as our Youth Assistant! Even though he is simply changing status from staff to volunteer, we feel we need to SHOW him love and

appreciation for his great work with us all these years. The youth and their families are having a lunch for Daniel after the 11:00 service at Chuy’s Restaurant (9235 Kingston Pk.--We have the patio all to ourselves!) We hope all you youth families can help us celebrate!

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING** is next Sunday, February 13! Every Super Bowl Sunday, the youth collect funds for the Souper Bowl of Caring. Next Sunday, we are collecting for two groups: Second Harvest’s Food For Kids program and the YWCA’s Traditional Housing Program for women seeking shelter from domestic violence. The Second Harvest Food For Kids program sends food insecure school children home with food to eat over the weekends. The YWCA shelters and feeds women and children who are trying to escape violent living conditions and transition to independent living. These causes reflect our youth’s passion for helping! Please bring some spare change or perhaps a check to help these important causes! Thank you for supporting the youth of Westminster, and these wonderful organizations!!

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**ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES**

**Feasting on the Word**

Feasting on the Word, a lectionary-based study, meets in person in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. The class looks at scriptures that are from the lectionary readings for each week.

**Adult Bible Study**

Adult Bible Study class chooses books of the Bible for in-depth study each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. The class meets in person in the McKinnon Room AND on Zoom.

**The Wired Word**

The Wired Word meets at 10:00 a.m. Sunday mornings. All you need is a smart phone or tablet. You’ll get an email with the week’s current events topic that is discussed with an eye and ear toward scripture. The discussion is always lively. Jump in! The class is meeting in the library this fall to allow for more distancing. If you don’t already receive emails and would like to, let Mary know.

**THE SESSION**

**Class of 2022**

Bob Albiston

Janet Drumm

Colleen Manrod

Charlie Mercer

Leslie Versen

Youth Elder: Sophia Manrod

**Class of 2023**

Jaclyn Beeler

Jack Carley

William Milam

Penny Tschantz

Bill Wiesehuegel

Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

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