



The Order of Worship

October 30, 2022
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

TWENTY FIRST 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.

PRELUDE Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott, BuxWV 184 Dieterich Buxtehude
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: When we have been lost in the crowd
All: You, Lord, have sought us.
One: When we have angled for a better look
All: You, Lord, have spotted us.
One: When we have tried to hide from judgment,
All: You, Lord, call us by name.
One: We respond with joy.
All: Let us worship God.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 275** (*Glory to God* hymnal) A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
Ein' feste Burg

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Living God, You are the One who is always on the move, always creating and re-creating, always doing a new thing. And yet, we confess, O Lord, that our lives can become static, routinely paralyzed by doubt and fear. We remain ossified in patterns of greed, covetousness, and self-interest. We doubt your promises of abundant, everlasting life and so we live in dread of our neighbors, our friends, and our enemies. Our souls remain still. We do not love as you love. Nor do we live as you would have us live, with courage, generosity or the boldness of the gospel. Forgive us, O God. Renew us by your Spirit, and reform us with your compassion, remaking us more fully in to the image of Christ, and as nimble servants of your reign. Amen.

***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** Gloria Patri No. 576 (blue hymnal) Jacques Berthier

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING Habakkuk 2:1-4

***CANTICLE NO. 565** (red hymnal) (11:00) Jubilate Deo Anglican chant

STEWARDSHIP SPOTLIGHT Melanie Lewis

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Mary Sophia Hawks

Children age 4 through 4th grade are invited to go downstairs for Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 19:1-10

SERMON "Coming Up Short" Rev. Dr. Anne McKee

***HYMN NO. 402** (*Glory to God* hymnal) How Lovely, Lord *Merle's Tune*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** From A Declaration of Faith

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God's reality and rule. Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time... Life in God's presence issues in life for others, for if we do not love sisters and brothers whom we see, we cannot love God whom we do not see.

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.

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.

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

(9:00) Cantate Domino Giovanni Francesco Anerio
trans. Peter Van Eenam

Brass Choir

(11:00) Fight the Good Fight With All Thy Might John Gardner

Fight the good fight with all thy might, Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right; Lay hold on life, and it shall be Thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace, Lift up thine eyes and seek his face; Life with its way before us lies, Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, lean on thy guide: His boundless mercy will provide; Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near; He changeth not, and thou art dear; Only believe, and thou shalt see That Christ is all in all to thee. Amen.

J. S. B. Monsell

Chancel Choir

Mary Lou Holt, Piano

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology *Lasst uns erfreuen*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 410** (*Glory to God* hymnal) God Is Calling through the Whisper
W żłobie leży

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Amen Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Wir glauben all an einen Gott, BWV 680 J. S. Bach
(from the *Clavierübung*, Part III)
We All Believe in One God

Chorale text: We all believe in one God, creator of heaven and earth, who gave himself as Father so that we became his children. He will nourish us at all times, also preserve body and soul, and prevent all misfortunes. No sorrow shall come to us. He cares for us, guards and watches. All things are in his power.

Martin Luther, 1524
literal trans. Mark Bighley

*Indicates standing.

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NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Melanie Lewis and Josh Birdwell

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR OCTOBER: Kathy Shilling

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR NOVEMBER: Janet Tortorelli

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES: (11:00) Cooper Kringen

GREETERS: (11:00) Linda Rutherford and Cindy Spangler

LITURGIST: Linda Judge-McRae

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Brass Choir (recorded)

(11:00) Chancel Choir

SENIOR USHERS: Ken Hughes

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Erik Kringen

USHERS: (9:00) David Woodall and Bob Albiston

(11:00) Rick and Janice Rawe, Rob and Susan McKeenan, Casey Page

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Gary and Katherine Harmon in memory of their family members; John and Barbara Goan, Jim and Lucille Harmon, Pam and Benjamin Harmon.

OUR THANKS to Mary Lou Holt for enriching our worship this morning as she accompanies the Chancel Choir.

THIS MORNING'S OFFERTORY ANTHEM at the 11:00 service is fifth of English composer John Gardner's *Five Hymns in Popular Style*. It is a fresh, vital, and clever setting of the text and great fun to sing. The colors used in the accompaniment are unusual: the right hand is often played in the extreme treble while the left hand is in the extreme bass. Rhythmically, syncopation and mixed meter are commonplace, while the articulation and note lengths often contrast. The one common element throughout is joy and exuberance!

STEWARSHIP UPDATE: Be watching for your Stewardship packet for 2023 in your mail this coming week!

THE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE has created a WPC Timeline in the narthex. This physical, visual representation of our church's history highlights some of the important events since Westminster's founding in 1965. Please help the PNC complete this timeline by adding Post-it notes marking some of your most important moments in our story of how Faith and Life Connect. Instructions and PNC members are available to guide you.

THE BIG SCARY QUESTIONS GROUP: The Big Scary Questions group will meet for the last time this fall, to talk about the PCUSA statements about end of life, this Tuesday, November 1 at noon. If you are not already on the list and want to read materials ahead of time, let Anne or the office know and we will send you the documents.

HABITAT BUILD: We need five more volunteers for our December 3rd date. You may sign-up using the QR Code on the tables in the Schilling Gallery or by using the link <http://westminsterpres.knoxvillehabitat.volunteerhub.com/>

- Saturday, December 3rd 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. including lunch

FAMILY DINNERS are being offered Mondays (11/7, 11/14) between Rainbow and Young Musciain choirs, but the kid friendly meals are open to all!

RECEPTION HONORING PETER VAN EENAM: Westminster has been blessed to have Peter Van Eenam as our organist and choirmaster for 41 years. In celebration of those years of music ministry, Peter will be honored on November 6th during the services and at a reception following the 11:00 a.m. service. Let's join together to show our love, appreciation and gratitude for 41 years of incredible sacred music by many different vocal and instrumental choirs.

CELEBRATE FALL AND HALLOWEEN WITH WPC



TODAY at 12:15pm

Lunch catered by Buddy's BBQ + hotdogs

Kids are invited to wear their costumes to church!

Trick or Treating will take place after lunch!

TREAT TRAIL: Fellowship needs volunteers to help with the Trunk or Treat portion of the Fall Festival. Here is the QR code to sign up. Use your phone's camera to scan this black and white image and it will direct you to the website.



ORGANISTS DANA ROBINSON AND PAUL TEGELS will be heard in a program of organ duet music (for four hands!) at Westminster Church **this Friday evening, November 4, at 8:00**, as part of this season's *Musica Organi* recital series. Music by Johann Sebastian Bach, Felix Mendelssohn, and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart will be featured.

Dr. Robinson is Professor of Organ at the University of Illinois and Dr. Tegels is Associate Professor of Music and University Organist at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington, and a past president of the Westfield Center for Historical Keyboard Studies. Cosponsoring this event is the Knoxville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. The congregation is cordially invited to attend. A nursery will be provided. For more information, please visit <http://www.musicaorgani.org>.



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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 am

Adult Bible Study: Led by Scott Brunger, this class meets in the McKinnon Room. The class chooses a book of the Bible to unpack in depth.

Feasting on the Word: This is a lectionary-based curriculum. The class, led by a rotating team of knowledgeable teachers, studies the scriptures that are used in worship. This class meets in the Fellowship Hall.

The Wired Word: Take a look at current events with a theological eye. The class, which meets in the library, is facilitated by a rotating team.

CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS AT WESTMINSTER

During 9:00 Worship:

-Nursery available for children 0-5 years old

During 10:00 Hour:

-Nursery available for children 0-5 years old

-Fellowship time for kids 1st-4th grade

During 11:00 Hour:

-Nursery available for children 0-3 years old

-Primary Sunday school for children 4 y.o.-Kindergarten

-Intermediate Sunday school for children 1st-4th grade

(Children will be walked to Sunday school classes following the Time with the Children during the 11:00 worship service)

THE SESSION

Class of 2023

Jaclyn Beeler

Jack Carley

William Milam

Penny Tschantz

Bill Wiesehuegel

Youth Elder: Meghan Oros

TRUSTEES

Robert McKeenan

Ron Alexander

Alice Mercer

Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

Barbara Froula

Stephen Fortney

Wendy Collins

Ed Babelay

OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 30

9:00 am - Pavilion Worship

10:00 am - Sunday School

11:00 am - Sanctuary Worship

12:15 Fall Festival

1:30 - Play Practice

4:00 - Choristers

Monday, October 31

Monday Children's Choirs resume next week.

7:00 - Congregational Zoom

Tuesday, November 1

12:00 Big Scary Questions

5:00pm - Rainbow Choir (Tues. Option)

Wednesday, November 2

4:45 PM - Boys' and Girls' Choirs

6:30 pm- Companions Group - Prayer Room

7:45 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, November 3

10:30 am - Women's Bible Study

4:30 pm - Brass Choir

7:00 pm - Handbell Choir

Friday, November 4

8:00 pm Musica Organi

Saturday, November 5

3:00 pm - Braver Angels Workshop

Sunday, November 6

9:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary

10:00 Sunday School

11:00 Worship in the Sanctuary

12:00 Reception for Peter

12:15 Play Practice

4:00 Choristers

5:00 Youth Fellowship

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL: With everyone's help, we are creating another Advent Devotional book this year. We'd like to have contributions from a wide range of the Westminster community. We welcome you to write a short reflection (about 250 words or less) using this prompt, *Write about a memory of a time when The Holy was able to break through in the midst of the busy Advent season.* We will even provide you with a template, if you wish to use it! Our Advent Devotionals help us connect with each other and have daily time of spiritual reflection and prayer. Please see Barbara to sign-up!

CHRISTMAS CHILDREN'S PLAY PRACTICE is today at 1:30 pm in the fellowship hall.

ABBAY DEADLINE is today. Send articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net.