

The Order of Worship

**January 17, 2010
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

PRELUDE Sussex Carol

English carol

arr. Luther Henderson

Ding Dong! Merrily on High (11:00)

French carol

arr. Luther Henderson

Brass Choir

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us gather together, glorifying God with praise and thanksgiving, with prayer and song!

People: **We come to enjoy an acceptance born of Christian love, to sense the presence of the Spirit, to commit ourselves to God’s service.**

ALL: **We lift up our hearts in joy and gratitude as we worship our gracious God.**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 229** (blue hymnal) From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Lasst uns erfreuen

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, we confess that we often see only what we want to see, and we place limits around what we believe to be possible. In our desire to be in control, to be able to understand and predict life, we tend to discount the unexplained, the unexpected, the miraculous signs of your glory breaking into our midst. Forgive us the sins of denying and rejecting the wonders around us, of taking for granted the many small daily miracles in life, and of failing to give you praise and thanksgiving for evidences of your presence among us. 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. 579 (blue hymnal)

Henry W. Greatorex

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

TO EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

John 2:1-11

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Kristi Gordon

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

I Corinthians 12:1-11

SERMON

“Concerning Spiritual Things”

Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

***HYMN NO. 335** (blue hymnal) Though I May Speak

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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

from *The Confession of 1967*

God has created the peoples of the earth to be one universal family. In God’s reconciling love, God overcomes the barriers between people and breaks down every form of discrimination based on racial or ethnic difference, real or imaginary. The church is called to bring all people to receive and uphold one another as persons in all relationships of life: in employment, housing, education, leisure, marriage, family, church, and the exercise of political rights. Therefore, the church labors for the abolition of all racial discrimination and ministers to those injured by it. Congregations, individuals, or groups of Christians who exclude, dominate, or patronize others, however subtly, resist the Spirit of God. Amen.

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. If you would like to receive our newsletter or more information about the church, include your address, phone number and email address. 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) Intrade (from *Three Pieces*)

Johann Pezel

Brass Choir

(11:00) Siyahamba

Zulu song

Siyahamba ekukhanyeni kwenkhos’. *We are marching in the light of God.*

Barbara, Eric, and Robert Adamcik, Percussion

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Hymn No. 63 (blue hymnal) As with Gladness Men of Old

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As they offered gifts most rare At that manger rude and bare; So may we with holy joy, Pure, and free from sin’s alloy, All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee, our

heavenly King.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 334** (blue hymnal) When Israel Was in Egypt's Land *Go Down Moses*
(Verse 1: Choir; 2 and 3: All)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE**

(9:00) Ding Dong! Merrily on High French carol
Brass Choir

(11:00) Prélude (from *Suite on the Second Tone*) Jean Adam Guilain

*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 Lee Ingram.

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JANUARY: Carlene Robinson

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available from the ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Sam Phillips and Helen Bonnyman

GREETERS: Angela Shilling and Sam Smith

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Nursery Staff

(11:00) Vicki Mayfield and Mark Rennich, Anna and Sarah Rennich

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Brass Choir

(11:00) Brass and Chancel Choirs

SENIOR USHER: Bill Holt

USHERS:

(9:00) Daniel Berry and Suzanne Graham

(11:00) John and Kathy Shilling, Dick and Joanne Steinle, LoAnn Price

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in memory of Bill McDonald by his daughter, Gail Latimer.

IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER we will send an all-church email with news of worship changes or cancellations. In addition, we will update the telephone voicemail and website with the latest information.

OUR THANKS to Barbara, Eric, and Bob Adamcik for their enrichment of our worship this morning as they accompany the Chancel Choir.

THIS MORNING'S CHRISTMAS MUSIC by the Brass Choir is taken from a collection of carols arranged for the Canadian Brass. These arrangements are fresh, interesting, clever, and a lot of fun for the players as well as for listeners. We hope you'll enjoy them! Our thanks to Barbara Adamcik for bringing them to our attention.

ORGANIST DAVID ARCUS will be heard in recital at Westminster Church on Friday evening, February 5, at 8:00 as part of this season's *Musica Organi* series. Mr. Arcus is organist of Duke University Chapel and the Duke Divinity School. Admission is free and the congregation is cordially invited to attend. A nursery will be provided. Do come join us that evening!

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed Monday, January 18 in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. We will reopen Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

A STATED SESSION MEETING will be held Sunday, January 24 at 12:15 p.m. in the McKinnon Room. Dockets were emailed to all current elders.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE RELIEF EFFORT in Haiti are being accepted through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). Checks may be made payable to Westminster with the notation "PDA-DR000064" on the check.

THE OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE wants to receive suggestions from members of the congregation for possible nominees for Elders for the class of 2013, one youth Elder for the class of 2011, and one Trustee for the class of 2013. Please write names and reasons for your suggestions on this sheet and turn it in to the church office **no later than February 28, 2010.**

Nominee for Elder or Trustee (circle one)	Reason for Nomination

WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER
January 20

5:45 p.m. - Meal and Fellowship
6:30 p.m. - Activities

Adult Classes:
“Medical Care for the Underprivileged” led by Brian Bonnyman
The Thoughtful Christian: Islam led by Dr. Buran Phillips

A nursery and activities for young children will be provided. Come join the fun and fellowship at WWW!

Adult Sunday School Classes

Bible Basics (Library) Leaders: Ellen Anderson and Scott Brunger
 The Bible Basics class is for adults of all ages and Bible experience. This winter we will start by studying the Psalms and their relationship to the New Testament Gospel.

Women in Touch (Prayer Room) Leader: Leslie Rotella
 This group discussion class is for women with or without children who are interested in growing, learning, and sharing our faith together. The topic for January is “Dealing with Clutter: The 6S Program – Emotional and Spiritual”.

Book of Confessions (McKinnon Room) Leader: John Muntz
 What do all of those words have to do with today? This will be a four week adult education conversation exploring the historical contexts and contemporary relevance of Presbyterian Statements of Faith.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for the annual Fellowship Progressive Dinner to be held Saturday, February 13. Sign-ups for this wonderful, much-anticipated event will take place in the weeks ahead.