

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

**PRELUDE** 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*

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Elder Stephanie Lynch-Wright, liturgist

**Leader:** The agendas of the world place many gods before us, but today we seek the counsel of the One who is truly God.

**People:** **We want to hear again of a God who cares, a God who has high expectations of us.**

**Leader:** Let nothing stand in the way of our listening, and no regret prevent our following Christ.

**People:** **For freedom Christ has set us free.**

**Leader:** Let us joyfully celebrate the freedom that is ours in Christ.

**People:** **Come, let us worship God.**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

**\*HYMN NO. 477** (blue hymnal) Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim *Hanover*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*LITANY OF CONFESSION**

*See bulletin insert*

**\*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.

**OLD TESTAMENT**

Genesis 37

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

Jean Bonnyman

Children age 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**EPISTLE**

Philippians 4:8-14

**SERMON**

“Brave Hearts and Friendly Obstacles”

Rev. John Linton Muntz

*“I have learned to be content with whatever I have.” – Philippians 4:11*

**\*HYMN NO. 170** (blue hymnal) The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want (Psalm 23) *Crimond*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

Central to our Reformed tradition is the affirmation of the majesty, holiness and providence of God who creates, sustains, rules and redeems the world in the freedom of sovereign righteousness and love. We affirm the election of the people of God for service as well as for salvation; covenant life marked by a disciplined concern for order in the church according to the Word of God; a faithful stewardship that shuns ostentation and seeks the proper use of the gifts of God’s creation; the recognition of the human tendency to idolatry and tyranny, which calls the people of God to work for the transformation of society by seeking justice and living in obedience to the Word of God.

**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.)

**ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDER**

Anna Rennich

**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** Laudate

Camille Saint-Saëns

Laudate Dominum, omnes gentes; laudate eum, omnes populi. Quoniam confirmata est super nos misericordia ejus, et veritas Domini manet in aeternum. Alleluia! Amen.

*O praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise him, all ye peoples. For his merciful kindness hath been bestowed upon us, and the truth of the Lord endureth forever.*

Psalm 117

Meredith Mackay, Soprano

Bettie McDavid Mason, Alto

**\*AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 591 (blue hymnal) *Tallis' Canon*  
(Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 542 (blue hymnal))

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

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 339** (blue hymnal) Be Thou My Vision *Slane*  
**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** Georgann Byerley, Clerk of Session

**\*CHARGE AND BEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586** (blue hymnal) Amen Danish melody  
**\*POSTLUDE** O Herre Gott, Vater in Ewigkeit Johann Michael Bach  
Verse 3 O Gott, heiliger Geist

*O God, Holy Spirit*

\*Indicates standing.

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

**WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP** here today.

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERNS FOR THE WEEK** are Stephanie Lynch-Wright and Michael Yates.

**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JULY:** Carlene Robinson

**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS** are available from the ushers.

**SERVING TODAY**

**ACOLYTES:** Leah Woehr and Laura Mjekiqi

**GREETERS:** John and Kathy Shilling

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:** Nursery Staff, Lily Seidner

**LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP:** Paula Hogan

**SENIOR USHER:** Gordon Greeson

**USHERS:** Don Byerly, Laura Dupper, John Chang, Beth Chang, Nancy Cundall

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Laura Stockdale and her sons, Joseph Thomas and James Stockdale Hutzenbiler, in celebration of her father's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday today. James E. Stockdale grew up in Erin Presbyterian, where his parents were founding members. He now lives in Memphis with his wife, Dorothy but remains close to many in the WPC family. If you would like

to send him greetings on this happy occasion, his home address is 5052 Waldrup Street, Memphis, Tennessee, 38116.

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** has been called by Session today following the worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the search committee for the Director of Christian Formation and Lay Ministries.

**A CALLED SESSION MEETING** will take place in the McKinnon Room following the worship service and the called Congregational Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the search committee for the Youth Director position.

**OUR THANKS** to Meredith Mackay and Bettie Mason for their enrichment of our worship this morning and to Bettie for providing a translation of this morning's offertory anthem text and notes on the composer and music.

**THE FRENCH COMPOSER CAMILLE SAINT-SAËNS** had not only a long life (1835-1921) but also an early start in music as a child prodigy in both piano and composition. Blessed with astounding facility, he wrote in virtually all genres and over the course of his life produced hundreds of compositions, including many sacred works. As a church musician he was organist at the Madeleine in Paris for nearly twenty years. A close friend of Franz Liszt (who considered him the greatest organist in the world), Saint-Saëns was also friend as well as teacher of Gabriel Fauré.

**THE FEATURED ARTIST** in the Schilling Gallery for July and August, Bobbie Crews, will talk about her work following the 10:00 a.m. worship service on July 25. Everyone is invited to attend this interesting lecture.

**THE "SHARE THE BOUNTY" TABLE** is set up in the Schilling Gallery each Sunday. You may bring by your overflow of flowers, herbs and/or produce, and others may take whatever they can use. A donation may be made to benefit local food ministries.



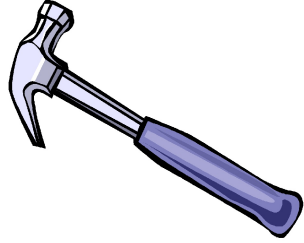
**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** will meet on Monday, July 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the SHOW Room.

**STEPHEN MINISTERS** will meet for CE and supervision on Monday, July 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the McKinnon Room.

**THE ABBEY DEADLINE** is Wednesday. Please send your articles to [unitedprinters@comcast.net](mailto:unitedprinters@comcast.net).

### HABITAT BLITZ DAY

**Saturday, July 24**



Westminster will partner with Central Baptist Church of Bearden to build our next habitat house. Saturday, July 24 will be the blitz day, with morning and afternoon shifts available. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery. More information will be available in your church email, or you may contact Jay Schmid at [jdschmid@yahoo.com](mailto:jdschmid@yahoo.com).



**KIDS PLAY DAY** continues each Monday in July for children ages newborn through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. The cost is \$8 per child per day, due at pick-up each Monday. If your child has any food allergies, please notify Angela Grobe as soon as possible. We ask that parents commit to dates in advance, by the Friday prior to the date you will attend. Parents will be expected to pay for dates that are reserved, unless you cancel with Angela Grobe at least 24 hours in advance. We have toys and games for the children, and you may bring your child's favorite book, game or movie to share for the day. Please call Angela Grobe at 556-8034 with any questions about the program.

### **Upcoming SHOW Events**

#### **July 15 – Smokies Baseball**

The youth have been invited to enjoy the game in a suite, complete with food and other refreshments. There is space available for 20 youth to sign up to attend at 6:30 p.m. If we have more than 20 youth sign up, we have another option that will accommodate 40 people.

#### **August 7 – Tubing in Townsend**

Folks of all ages are welcome to join us for a lazy ride down the river. The more the merrier!