

The Order of Worship

September 12, 2010

9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

PRELUDE Praeambulum in d, WV 33

Heinrich Scheidemann

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) O Life That Makest All Things New

John Longmire

O Life that makest all things new, The blooming earth, the thoughts of men: Our pilgrim feet,
wet with the dew, In gladness hither turn again.

From hand to hand the greeting flows, From eye to eye the signals run, From heart to heart
the bright hope glows; The seekers of the light are one.

One in the freedom of the truth, One in the joy of paths untrod, One in the soul's perennial
youth, One in the larger thought of God.

The freer step, the fuller breath, The wide horizon's grander view, The sense of life that
knows no death, The life that maketh all things new!

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Boys' and Girls' Choirs

Robert Adamcik, Katherine Harmon, Pam Potocik,

Elizabeth Salsbery, and Debbie Schmid, Handbells

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

People: O Lord, open our lips, and our mouths shall declare your praise.

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song;

People: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 356** (blue hymnal) Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Searching God, you come for us like a shepherd searching for lost sheep. We hide and we run,
sometimes knowing we have strayed, other times completely unaware that we are on the
wrong path. Regardless, you come after us. With love and compassion and mercy you come
after us. So we make our confession with hope that you might find us again, and wipe away
our sin, and return us to your fold. We pray in the name of the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ.
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** Celtic Alleluia (*sing twice*)

Fintan O'Carroll

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 15:1-10

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Linda Judge-McRae

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

Psalms 14

SERMON

"God is Watching Us...From a Distance"

Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

—Bette Midler, *From a Distance*

***HYMN NO. 293** (blue hymnal) This Is My Father's World

Terra beata

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

Creed of the United Church of Canada (Reformed)

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and
others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's
presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist
evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life
beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

WELCOMING NEW MEMBER

Loretta Raines

TEACHER RECOGNITION

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) O Life That Makest All Things New John Longmire

(The text is found at the Introit.)

(11:00) Come Let's Rejoice John Amner

Come let's rejoice unto the Lord, let us make joy to God our Saviour. Let us approach to his presence in confession, and in psalms let us make joy to him. Alleluia.

paraphrase of Psalm 95:1-2

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology

Lasst uns erfreuen

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 263** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise *St. Denio*

***CHARGE AND BEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE** Dies sind die heiligen zehen Gebot, BWV 679 J. S. Bach

*These Are the Holy Ten Commandments
(from the Clavierübung, Part III)*

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP here today.

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK are Bonny Naugher and John Salsbery.

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR SEPTEMBER: Janice Rawe

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available from the ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Lily Seidner and Helen Bonnyman

GREETERS (11:00): Bill Beintema and June Martin

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Nursery Staff

(11:00) Jessamyn Hazard, Chloe and Lacey Tragesser

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Boys' and Girls' Choirs

(11:00) Boys', Chancel, and Girls' Choirs

SENIOR USHER: Sue Caradine

USHERS:

(9:00) Don and Connie Graham

(11:00) Tom and Georgann Byerley, Ellen Anderson, Brian Bonnyman, Rex Battenberg

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by the Ryan family in honor of their wedding anniversaries:

Tim and Joyce - September 7, 1977

Matt and Tiffany - September 8, 2007

Lauren R. and Brandon Bice - September 19, 2008

OUR THANKS to Bob Adamcik, Katherine Harmon, Pam Potocik, Elizabeth Salsbery, and Debbie Schmid for their enrichment of our worship this morning as they accompany the Boys' and Girls' Choirs.

JOHN AMNER, living from 1579 to 1641, was Organist and Choirmaster and a clergyman at Ely Cathedral from 1610 until the time of his death. He received degrees from Oxford, with the support of the Earl of Bath, in 1613 and Cambridge in 1640. In 1615, Amner published a collection entitled *Sacred Hymnes of 3, 4, 5, and 6 Parts for the Voyces and Vyols*, which contains most of his known works. English composer John Longmire was a prolific composer of piano music and also wrote for solo voice and choirs. Born in Lincolnshire, England, he moved to the island of Guernsey, located in the English Channel just off the coast of Normandy. In 1948 he founded the Guernsey Choral Society, which he led until 1954. Longmire is also known for his biography of his longtime friend and colleague John Ireland.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets this Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the SHOW Room.

STEPHEN MINISTERS will meet for supervision on Monday, September 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is Tuesday, September 14 at 7:00 p.m. The Human Resources and Communications teams will provide refreshments.

LIBRARY DEDICATION: We hope you've had an opportunity to get a look at the remodeled church library. So many people worked so hard to help bring this project about. At Ministry Team night, this Tuesday at 7:30, we want to have a brief dedication of the JoAnn Reafsnyder Memorial Library and say a word of thanks to all those involved. Even if you're not part of a ministry team right now, we would encourage you to come and celebrate.

PLEASE TAKE TIME to look at the new art display in the Narthex and Schilling Gallery. Cindy Moon Fulton, daughter of Judy and Joe Moon, is displaying her ceramic masks in the Schilling Gallery show cases. Cindy's masks reflect her work as a mental health worker with adolescents. Local artist, Beverly Gleeson, is exhibiting her paintings which reflect the theme of Appalachian life and culture. We appreciate these artists sharing their gifts with us.

HABITAT HOME UPDATE

Cabinet and trim work is scheduled for Saturday, September 18. If you would like to help, please sign up by sending an email with your name and phone number to wpc.habitat@gmail.com.

Donations are being collected for a gift certificate to be presented to the Griffin family at their Habitat House Dedication in October. These gifts will enable the family to purchase the large appliances they need. If you would like to contribute, please send your gift to the church office.

THE PEACEMAKING OFFERING will be collected on Sunday, October 3. Fifty percent of your gift goes to the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program, which offers many activities, including conferences and other educational events. Twenty-five percent is used by our congregation for local peace work, and the remaining twenty-five percent goes to presbyteries and synods. Please see the insert in today's bulletin for more information.

RACE FOR THE CURE: Westminster Tribe Alive will be participating in this year's Race for the Cure event to be held **Saturday, October 30** at World's Fair Park. Please join us for either the Family Fun 1 mile walk or the 5K run...or, if you prefer, "Sleep In" for the Cure! Meredith Mackay and Kathryn Oakes have volunteered to lead the team again and are happy to answer any questions anyone might have. You can sign up online at www.komenknoxville.com. Go to "Register Online" and under Team select "Westminster Tribe Alive." We look forward to seeing you all on Race Day!

WANNA BLT?

No, not that kind of BLT. BLT is short for **Bible...Lunch...Tuesdays**. Beginning on Tuesday, September 21, Dr. Phillips will be leading a study on the parables of Jesus. The study group will meet during the noon lunch hour every Tuesday for approximately 10 weeks. We hope to look at some familiar parables and maybe some not so familiar ones, with informal discussions as to the meanings of these parables for our everyday lives. You are welcome to bring your lunch and brown bag it so to speak, and the plan is not to go much longer than the noon hour. You will need nothing more than a bible, but you may contact the church office for the schedule we plan to follow. Our topic for September 21 is The Parable of the Sower (Mark 4:1-20).

WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER begins September 22 at 5:45 p.m. Information about classes and activities is coming soon in the *Abbey*, bulletin and email.

FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST IN THE SMOKIES is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. October 2nd at the Metcalf Bottoms Picnic area. Sign-ups will be posted soon!

WELCOME

GINNY HARVILLE BAKER

We are excited to welcome Ginny Harville Baker, our new Director of Christian Formation and Lay Ministries. Ginny will arrive in Knoxville on Monday, September 13. Your help is welcomed and appreciated on Monday around noontime as we help Ginny move into her home. If you are available to join us, please call Renee in the church office for details.

Come on Down to the Diaper Round-Up!

In an effort to collect diapers for the FISH pantry, you and your family are invited to an afternoon of fun and food at WPC on Saturday, September 19 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. We will enjoy games and face painting, while getting to know others in our community who support the FISH pantry. The cost of admission? Diapers! The pantry needs diapers in size medium or large, or gift cards for major chain stores. Please RSVP to westminsterpres@comcast.net.

WESTMINSTER OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, September 12

10:00 a.m.

Today we are celebrating the beginning of Fall programming at WPC, as well as showcasing our wonderful ministry opportunities. Danish, fruit and juice will be served in the McKinnon Room. We hope you'll take time to see the displays in the Schilling Gallery, browse our classrooms, and visit the newly remodeled JoAnn Reafsnyder Memorial Library.

We are looking forward to an exciting year. Please thank our teachers for their service to our congregation.

Beth Chang	Rob McKeehan	Ruth Yates	Darlen Milam
Kathryn Oakes	Angela Partelow	Bob Adamcik	Barbara Adamcik
Lisa Trofatter	Gordon Bell	John Chang	Deborah Phillips
Scott Brunger	Ann Brunger	Ellen Anderson	Laura Barron
Terry Crow	Pam Potocik	Michael Yates	Marty Pryor
Dave Woehr	Phil Barnette	Gail Clark	Judy Barnette
Bingham Graves	Anne Dungan	Brian Bonnyman	Tim Crais
Anne Crais	Bob Murrian	Sue Murrian	

Copies of our Fall schedule with class descriptions are available in the Schilling Gallery and in the Narthex of the Sanctuary.