

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

**PRELUDE** Adagio (from *Concerto in a*, BWV 593, after Antonio Vivaldi) J. S. Bach

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**INTROIT** (11:00) Kyrie eleison Leonhard Lechner  
Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Popes Gelasius I and Gregory I

Westminster Choristers

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 66, adapted

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of God’s name; give to God glorious praise.

**People: Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of God’s praise be heard!**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

**\*HYMN NO. 464** (blue hymnal) Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee *Hymn to Joy*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Healing God, we want to give thanks, but our sin gets in the way. We want to live thankfully, but we’re so consumed with what we lack that we overlook what we have received. You have blessed us and you care for us, but we’re too busy to notice. Forgive our sin. Awaken us to your presence. Redirect us to your way, so that we can follow Jesus with praise and thanksgiving. 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

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 17:11-19

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** (11:00)

Carolyn Greenwood

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.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Jeremiah 29:1,4-7

**SERMON**

“Exile on Main Street”

Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

**\*HYMN NO. 423** (red hymnal) Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life *Germany*

**\*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 MEMBERS**

David Matiskella and Susan Lucas

**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) Kyrie eleison

Leonhard Lechner

(The text is found at the Introit.)

(11:00) Jesu, the Very Thought Is Sweet

Charles Wood

Jesu, the very thought is sweet; In that dear Name all heart-joys meet. No word is sung more sweet than this, No sound is heard more full of bliss, Than Jesus, Son of God most high.

St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153)

trans. J. M. Neale

**\*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. 554** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Let All Things Now Living  
\***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**  
\***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586** (blue hymnal) Amen  
\***POSTLUDE** Prelude in C

*Ash Grove*

Danish melody  
Georg Böhm

\*Indicates standing.

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

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

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK** are Anna Rennich and Don Byerly.

**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR OCTOBER:** Georgann Byerley

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

**SERVING TODAY**

**ACOLYTES** (11:00): Jake Tidwell, Max Yates

**GREETER** (11:00): Bill Beintema

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:**

(9:00) Nursery Staff

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

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:**

(9:00) Westminster Choristers

(11:00) Chancel Choir and Westminster Choristers

**SENIOR USHER:** Christie Dowling

**USHERS:**

(9:00) Bonny and Doug Naugher

(11:00) Michael Yates, Trish Groves, Buz Johnson, Matt and Danielle Mathews

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Ben and Abigail Hatmaker in honor of Angela Grobe and all who participate in WPC's children and youth ministries.

**THE YOUNG FAMILIES LUNCHEON** is today in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

**THIS MORNING'S INTROIT** at the 11:00 service is by the late Renaissance German composer Leonhard Lechner and was first published in 1586. He spent his early years as a choirboy in Munich, studying with Orlando di Lasso, and went on to hold positions at Nuremberg, Hohenzollern-Hechingen, Tübingen, and Stuttgart. Charles Wood (1866-1926), the Irish composer and teacher was educated at the Royal College of Music and Cambridge University. He became a professor at the latter in 1924, teaching harmony and counterpoint. His pupils include such prominent English composers as Ralph Vaughan Williams and Herbert Howells. J. S. Bach was a master arranger and transcriber and aside from borrowing from his own music, he also was very knowledgeable of other composers and their work. As a young person we know that Bach studied and admired Antonio Vivaldi's works and compositional process, in particular how the latter would develop a piece from figures and motives. Vivaldi scored his *Concerto in a* for strings and continuo. Finally, the postlude this morning shows Georg Böhm at his creative best. Typically North German in its improvisatory writing and structure, he begins with an extended pedal solo and then has fun with audacious, chunky chords alternated between hands, followed by a concluding fugue that ends with flourishes and a surprise!

**SIGN UP FOR THE STEWARDSHIP DINNER!**

Don't forget to sign up for the Stewardship Dinner, scheduled for Sunday evening, October 24 at 6:00 p.m. Look for the yellow sign-up sheets in the Schilling Gallery. Child-care will be available for those who need it.

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

**Tuesday's "BLT"**: Dr. Phillips' class this week will discuss The Parable of the Two Sons. If you plan to attend, you may prepare by reading **Luke 15:11-32**. Bring your lunch and join us this Tuesday at noon in the McKinnon Room for **Bible...Lunch...Tuesdays**.

**MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT** is Tuesday, October 12 at 7:00 p.m. The Congregational Care ministry team will provide refreshments.

**FISH** delivery is Thursday, October 14. If you are able to help make deliveries, please contact Barbara Wilkinson. The more volunteers we have, the more food we can deliver to hungry families in our community. You are needed!

**MEN'S THURSDAY MORNING BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP:** On Thursday, October 14, at 7:00 a.m. we will meet in the McKinnon Room for breakfast and a short discussion-oriented lesson. Larry DeLonge will provide the meal, and Buz Johnson will lead the lesson. If you want to review the lesson ahead of time, contact Renee at renee\_wpc@comcast.net and she will email it to you. You can also pick up a hard copy in the church office. Come join us and bring a friend!

THE ABBEY DEADLINE is Wednesday, October 13. Events through November 7 should be included in this *Abbey*. Please send your articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net.

### Wednesdays With Westminster (WWW or W<sup>3</sup>)

Here is what we have planned for Wednesday, October 13:

#### 5:45-6:30 – Dinner

You do not need a reservation and there is no cost for the dinner, unless you want to make a donation at the door.

#### 6:45 - 7:30 – Activities

There is a nursery for infants through age 4 and programs for ages 5 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Middle schoolers and high schoolers can hang out together for music, fellowship and recreation.

For adults, we have two choices:

- We have a special guest speaker, **Stephanie Matheny**, with **Ten Year Plan**, an effort to end homelessness in Knoxville. Stephanie is a Knoxville lawyer who spent 11 years as an advocate in the Housing First movement in Seattle. She is the leader of a group called Citizens for the Ten Year Plan.
- Dr. Buran Phillips will discuss the article entitled, “The Mosque at Ground Zero.” This study will move away from many of the secular, political arguments we’ve heard on our favorite news program. Instead, participants will focus on the Christian perspectives of this controversy and look to the Bible instead of the media to examine these religious concerns.

Come enjoy the food, fun, fellowship and program at WWW.

THE MARYVILLE COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR will join us for worship **one week from today** at the 11:00 service, singing anthems and service music from their fall repertoire, including works by Clausen, Lutkin, Powell, and Thiman. This is an outstanding choral ensemble and is led by Stacey Wilner. The choir sang last at Westminster in the fall of 2005, providing music for worship as well as singing a concert, both of which were very well received! Our thanks to Kathleen Farnham for facilitating the choir’s singing at Westminster.

**GREETERS ARE NEEDED:** Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery to volunteer as a greeter for an 11:00 a.m. worship service in October. This is a great opportunity to meet new members or to visit with folks you haven’t seen in a while.

**HABITAT HOUSE DEDICATION:** The dedication of Shawna Griffin’s home is Sunday, October 17 at 1:30 p.m. Donations are being collected for the Griffin family to enable them to purchase the large appliances they need. If you would like to contribute, please send your gift to the church office by Wednesday, October 13 at 5:00 p.m.

### FALL WORKDAY AT WESTMINSTER

Come join us for part or all of the fall workday as we spruce up the church building and grounds  
**Saturday, October 16 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.**

Numerous and diverse jobs for all, both inside and outside.

Put on your old clothes and bring your favorite tools to help us clean, cut, rake, etc.

You bring the energy and spirit; we’ll provide the tasks and leadership.

Help us give WPC a clean face for fall!

#### Adult Sunday School Classes

**Contemporary Issues** (Fellowship Hall)

What You Might Not Know About Islam

Dr. Ayman Shaban is a lecturer in Islamic Studies in the Religious Studies Department at UT. He was born in Cairo, Egypt and grew up in Mansura, a beautiful town in the Nile Delta. As a Muslim and an intellectual, he has studied Islamic law in Egypt, the Netherlands and the US (UCLA).

**Faith Topics** (McKinnon Room)

*Soul Feast*, by Marjorie Thompson

We will discuss Chapter 4 of *Soul Feast* entitled, “Gathered in the Spirit – Our Common Worship.” The lesson will be led by Michael Yates.

**Special Topics** (Library)

*Boundaries With Kids*, by Dr. Henry Cloud and Dr. John Thompson

We will discuss Chapters 6-7, which cover power and respect. Linda Judge-McRae will facilitate the discussion.

**Bible Experience** (Prayer Room)

I Corinthians, Chapters 2 and 3

Come hear how a port city facing globalization reacted to Christianity.

#### CHURCH DIRECTORY NEWS

**Please sign up today** for your portrait appointment. Sign-up sheets will be available on Sundays in the Schilling Gallery through October 24.

**Our photography dates** are November 1, 2, 22 and 23 from 2:00-9:20 p.m.; December 2 and 3 from 2:00-9:20 p.m.; and December 4 from 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Each family that participates will receive one free 8X10 portrait and a church directory.

**A new feature** with this directory is OM Plus+, which allows us to have a password-protected directory online. Members will have access to the directory, and church staff will be able to make regular updates, such as phone number and address changes. Please make plans to participate so we can create a complete, up-to-date and user friendly directory for our WPC family.