

The Order of Worship

October 24, 2010
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

PRELUDE

(9:00) Warum betrübstu dich mein Hertz Samuel Scheidt
Why Art Thou Troubled, My Heart

Verses 4 and 8

(11:00) Variations on "St. Anne" Peter Van Eenam, T. Tertius Noble,
and Geoffrey Shaw

Handbell Choir

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100:1,2,5 Megan McClure

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

People: **For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 244 (blue hymnal) Let Us with a Gladsome Mind Monkland

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Creator God, you give wisdom to those who serve, but we would rather be served. We search for easy answers and fast tracks, even in our work on your behalf. We would like to fight the good fight of faith, but often we are uncertain about our faith and what it means for our lives. We do not make time to study and pray that we may discern your leading. Forgive us. Slow us down, that we may seek your wisdom. Teach us that you are indeed among us, and show us the way to faithful living. In Christ's name, we pray. 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 18:9-14

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Deborah Phillips

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

Joel 2:23-32; II Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

SERMON

"Keep On Keeping On"

Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

*HYMN NO. 307 (blue hymnal) Fight the Good Fight

Duke Street

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

I John 4:7-12

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

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) Variations on "St. Anne"

Peter Van Eenam, T. Tertius Noble,
and Geoffrey Shaw

(11:00) Give Alms of Thy Goods

Christopher Tye

Give alms of thy goods, and turn never thy face from any poor man: and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee.

based on Tobit 4

***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. 288** (blue hymnal) (11:00) I Sing the Mighty Power of God *Ellacombe*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE** Contrapunctus I (from *The Art of Fugue*) J. S. Bach

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP here today.

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK are Leslie Rotella and Brian Bonnyman.

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR OCTOBER: Georgann Byerley

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Leah Woehr, Laura Mjekiqi

GREETERS (11:00): Dick and Joanne Steinle

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Nursery Staff

(11:00) William and Darlen Milam, Anna and Leah Milam

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Handbell Choir

(11:00) Chancel and Handbell Choirs

SENIOR USHER: Tom Byerley

USHERS:

(9:00) David Woodall and Carol Beilharz

(11:00) Rob McKeehan, Mark Potocik, LoAnn Price, Joanne and Ralph White

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Judy and Paul Jorden in memory of J. R. Jorden and Mildred and Les Kelley.

THE BIRTH CANDLE today is in celebration of the birth of Cecilia Charity Htang, born Monday, October 18. Her proud parents are Esther Pai Hem and Simon Htang and she has a big brother, Augustine.

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH'S monumental *The Art of Fugue* is a testament to his contrapuntal genius and his staggering compositional abilities. In it he demonstrates every possible treatment of fugue subjects and countersubjects. While it may be argued that this collection was perhaps intended to be more a theoretical treatise, as Bach didn't specify an instrument or group, one frequently hears it performed on keyboard instruments and by various instrumental ensembles. In fact, this morning's piece was last heard at Westminster being played by the Brass Choir. In Bach's day counterpoint (including canon and fugue) was seen as much more than a compositional device—it was seen as the perfect music, art that was an earthly manifestation of "the heavenly music," that sung by choirs of angels.

A STATED SESSION MEETING is today at 12:15 p.m. in the McKinnon Room.

AUDITIONS for *The Greatest Christmas Pageant Ever* will be held **today** after church and Tuesday, October 26 beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a lunch to today's audition. There are 23 speaking parts for ages 7 and older, with characters ranging from grade school age to adults. Angel choir parts are open for Kindergarten age and older. Please sign up on the connector or cloister bulletin boards. The performance date is December 12, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Rehearsals will be on Sunday afternoons and possibly some additional days as needed. Please contact our show coordinators, Lisa Trofatter (Lisa.Trofatter@bioness.com) and Barbara Adamcik (fabfour@knology.net) for questions or alternative audition times. **Volunteers will be needed** to assist with production and costumes. Parents of performers and all others are welcome to help!

STEWARDSHIP DINNER IS THIS EVENING

The Stewardship Dinner is this evening at 6:00 p.m. Please join us! Child-care will be available for those who need it.

STEPHEN MINISTERS meet for Supervision on Monday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

TUESDAY'S "BLT": Dr. Phillips' class this week will discuss The Good Samaritan. If you plan to attend, you may prepare by reading **Luke 10:25-37**. Bring your lunch and join us this Tuesday at noon in the McKinnon Room for **Bible...Lunch...Tuesdays**.

Wednesdays With Westminster (WWW or W³)

Here is what we have planned for Wednesday, October 27:

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 5th grade.

The following is a list of upcoming programs you won't want to miss:

October 27 – "Mars and Beyond" by Hap McSween

November 3 – "Favorite Hikes in the Smokies" by Tim Ryan

November 10 – "The Spirituality of Vincent Van Gogh" by Janet Tortorelli

November 17 – Peter Van Eenam's Dutch Organ Trip

In order to give our full attention to these programs, we have postponed the Bible Interpretation class by Frank Marsh and Buran Phillips until winter or spring.

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

THE ABBEY DEADLINE is Wednesday, October 27. Please send your articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net.

LECONTE SPACES are still available for purchase. Send in \$50 to the church office for your deposit if you would like to join fellow hikers for the July 23, 2011 event. We still need 18 more people to join the group!!!

MEN'S THURSDAY MORNING BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP: On Thursday at 7:00 a.m. we will meet in the McKinnon Room for breakfast and a short discussion-oriented lesson. Ken Faulkner will provide the meal and Jack Woodall will lead the lesson entitled, "Global Climate Change: Facts and Solutions." Jack will lead us in a discussion of the ethical aspects of climate change issues. It should be a very interesting and lively discussion and we hope you will join us. If you want to review the lesson ahead of time, contact the church office and we will email a copy to you. Come join us and bring a friend or family member. All are welcome.

RED BUCKET SUNDAY is October 31. A special offering will be collected to benefit hunger ministries in East Tennessee. Please see the insert in today's bulletin for information about how the Presbytery of East Tennessee's Hunger Program has assisted organizations in our area.



CHURCH DIRECTORY NEWS

LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR PORTRAITS

Please sign up today for your portrait appointment. This is the last day for signing up in the Schilling Gallery. Olan Mills will be calling those who have not signed up to encourage everyone to have a photo included in the directory.

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.

Adult Sunday School Classes

Contemporary Issues (Fellowship Hall)

Nurturing the Body, led by Brian Bonnyman

Faith Topics (McKinnon Room)

Soul Feast, by Marjorie Thompson

Special Topics (Library)

Boundaries In Marriage, by Dr. Henry Cloud and Dr. John Thompson

Bible Experience (Prayer Room)

I Corinthians Chapters 2 and 3, led by Ellen Anderson and Scott Brunger