

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

PRELUDE Herzlich lieb hab ich dich, o Herr Heinrich Scheidemann
I Love You with All My Heart, O Lord

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

ALL-CHURCH RETREAT Lisa Ellis

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We seek to follow Christ in an open and inclusive community of faith,

People: where God’s transforming love for all creation is celebrated through worship, discipleship and service.

Leader: May God’s Spirit be among us as we worship the Lord our God.

People: Let us sing praises to the God we have come to know through Jesus Christ, in this place where faith and life connect.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 150** (blue hymnal) Come, Christians, Join to Sing *Madrid*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, you have called us into the church to do great things: to proclaim the gospel, to nurture one another, to worship you, to remember what is true, to promote righteousness in the world, and to be a demonstration of your coming kingdom. But in many ways we have failed to do these things. We have neglected your work in favor of personal interests and short term satisfactions. We haven’t made time for you or your people or your purposes. Forgive our waywardness and have mercy on our sins. Restore us and return us to your ways, to the work you would have us do, to the people you would have us be, as we seek to follow after Jesus Christ our Lord.

***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. 576 (blue hymnal) Jacques Berthier

SCRIPTURE READING Leviticus 19:1-2,9-18; I Corinthians 3:10-11,16-17

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Ellen Anderson

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 Matthew 5:38-48

SERMON “radical, demanding, unrealistic...” Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

***HYMN NO. 374** (blue hymnal) Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace *Dickinson College*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (9:00) Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

Wesley Gosselin and Graham Gosselin

***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.

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) A Prayer Reynaldo Hahn

May we ask, dear Lord, for your love. Please forgive all our anger and pride. We seek to know all your great kindness, And may we always with Thee abide.

Be our guide through trouble and woe. May we ask for wisdom to show Your presence in our lives each day.

Help us to live, love one another, Showing compassion for each other. We ask all this, Jesus, we pray.

adapt. John Hankins

John Hankins, Baritone
Eileen Rudd, Organ

(11:00) Be Thou My Vision

Slane

arr. David Ashley White

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; all else be nought to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou only, first in my heart; great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven’s joys, bright heaven’s Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

trans. Eleanor H. Hull

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 514 (red hymnal)

Old Hundredth

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 430** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

Darwall’s 148th

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Fahr nur hin, du schnöde Welt

Johann Gottfried Walther

Away, Thou Vile World

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP here today.

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK are Kristi Gordon and Brian Bonnyman.

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR FEBRUARY: Georgann Byerley

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Eva James and Laura Mjekiqi

GREETERS (11:00): Tom and Georgann Byerley

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Bob and Shannon Winkel, Ryan and Russell Winkel

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: (11:00) Chancel Choir

SENIOR USHER: Tim Ryan

USHERS:

(9:00) David Woodall and Rob McKeehan

(11:00) Reed Ellis, Nancy Cundall, Christie Dowling, Tim Ryan, Paul Jorden

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Max and Carlene Robinson in celebration of Lily JoAnn Reafsnyder’s fourth birthday.

OUR THANKS to John Hankins for his enrichment of our worship this morning and to Eileen Rudd for accompanying him.

GREETERS ARE NEEDED: Please take a moment to sign up to serve as a greeter for an 11:00 a.m. worship service in March, April or May. You’ll enjoy spending about 20 minutes greeting friends and meeting new members and guests. Sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery.

AMERICAN COMPOSER DAVID ASHLEY WHITE is currently director of the University of Houston Moores School of Music, where he has taught theory and composition since 1978. He has been commissioned to write anthems for the Association of Anglican Musicians and the Royal School of Church Music in America, and his hymns are found in many of today’s hymnals and collections in the United States and abroad. His setting of the hymn “Be Thou My Vision” is fresh and gentle, evoking the origins of its ancient Irish melody. The tune lends itself to imitation and canon and White’s use of these creates warm and expressive harmonies and fluid motion.

Wednesdays With Westminster (WWW or W³)

Here is what we have planned for Wednesday, February 23:

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. Thanks to the Community Service ministry team for preparing our dinner.

6:15-6:30 – Youth Worship in the Sanctuary

6:30-7:30 – Activities

Nursery for infants through age 4 and programs for ages 5 through 5th grade

Youth – Dgroup (Discipleship Group) Middle and High School youth

Adults – “Marriage: Staying Together or Coming Apart, Legal and Psychological Aspects” presented by Lucinda Albiston, J.D. and Robert Albiston, Ph.D.

Lucinda is an attorney who has been in private practice for seventeen years. Her work primarily involves domestic relations issues. She will discuss her insights regarding a broad range of personal circumstances and relationship problems which motivate individuals to consider divorce and to seek legal assistance for this critical life passage. Lucinda has been identified by her peers as one of Knoxville’s “Top Attorneys” in 2009 and 2010 as well as being one of the “Mid-South Super Lawyers of 2010.” She is a former President of East Tennessee Lawyers for Women and has been Co-Chair of the Knoxville Bar Association.

Robert is a clinical psychologist in private practice since 1984. He will discuss some of the psychological issues and behavioral patterns yielding person unhappiness and chronic marital discord which often lead to divorce. He will share insights acquired through his professional experience and will cover what some research has to say about specific patterns of interaction which push individuals to divorce. He will provide a cogent summary of those activities identified as “marriage strengtheners.” Robert is a former President of the Appalachian Psychoanalytic Society and has been active in his state professional organization since the start of his practice.

The presenters’ talks will be brief enough to leave ample time for audience discussion, questions and contribution.

Come join us for food, fun, fellowship and program. You will be glad you did!

BLT (BIBLE, LUNCH, TUESDAYS)

A Selection of Psalms

The Psalms have been called the hymnbook of the Old Testament. This study looks at a sampling of different types of Psalms under specific headings (suggested by the Old Testament scholar, Walter Bruggemann). We meet for about an hour each Tuesday beginning at 12:00 noon in the McKinnon Room, and you are welcome to bring your lunch.

The Psalm/s in bold are our primary focus for each class, though you are encouraged to read all the Psalms listed for the particular category. We have studied *Psalms of Orientation* and *Psalms of Disorientation*. We conclude our study with:

Psalms of New Orientation

February 22 Psalms of God’s Presence: **63,90**

March 1 Psalms of Assurance and Confidence: **23,91**



ALL CHURCH RETREAT

April 1-3, 2011

Fall Creek Falls

The registration deadline is TODAY for the retreat at Fall Creek Falls! A sign-up table is set up in the Schilling Gallery. Members of the retreat committee will be there to answer questions and assist with sign-up after the 9:00 a.m. worship service and before and after the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Order forms for retreat t-shirts can be picked up at the table. **T-shirt orders are due by March 1.**

THE OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE is receiving suggestions from members of the congregation for possible nominees for Elders for the class of 2014, one youth Elder for the class of 2012, and one Trustee for the class of 2014. Please write names and reasons for your suggestions on this sheet and turn it in to the church office **today**.

Nominee for Elder or Trustee (circle one)

Reason for Nomination

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WPC ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR WINTER 2011

Faith Topics (McKinnon Room)

Losses of Our Lives, by Dr. Nancy Copeland-Payton

“Based on her experience as a physician, hospital chaplain, and pastor, Dr. Nancy Copeland-Payton invites us to awaken to the losses of our lives – big and small – and embrace the wisdom each has to teach us about the deep mystery of God and the nature of living.” Anne Dungan and Tim Crais are the facilitators.

Special Topics (Library)

What Kids Really Want That Money Can't Buy: Tips for Parenting in a Commercial World by Betsy Taylor.

This book is a dynamic, real-world guide to reshaping our busy lives and giving our children more joy with less stuff - and plenty of what truly matters most. Linda Judge-McRae is the facilitator for the class. Books are available for \$5.

Bible Experience (Prayer Room)

Corinthians

Today our class will finish I Corinthians and then launch into II Corinthians. Did Corinth learn from reading Paul's first epistle? Did we? Please join us.

YOUTH CLUB meets today at 12:15 p.m. for lunch followed by a visit to Young Williams Animal Shelter.

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the SHOW room.

STEPHEN MINISTERS meet Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the library for education and supervision.

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

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST: On Thursday, February 24 at 7:00 a.m. we will meet in the McKinnon Room for a breakfast prepared by Gordon Greeson and a short discussion-oriented lesson prepared by Tim Crais. If you want to review the lesson ahead of time, just ask the church office to email the lesson to you or you can pick up a copy in the church office. Everyone is welcome. Come join us and bring a friend.

A PLANNING MEETING for the June mission trip to the Dominican Republic will be held Sunday, February 27 at 12:15 p.m. in the library.

THE BLUEGRASS NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP will host a welcome dinner for Darryl and Ginny Baker on Sunday, February 27 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the home of Peter and Janet Tortorelli. Please bring a veggie dish, side item or dessert. An RSVP is requested to janettortorelli@gmail.com or 690-7072.

A PROGRAM OF TRADITIONAL AND CLASSICAL SACRED MUSIC and lively spirituals will be presented Sunday, March 13 at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The program benefits Westminster's music department and features John Edward Hankins, baritone; Margaret Harrison, piano; Eileen Rudd, organ; Carol Zinavage, piano; and Terrance McCracken, guest vocalist. A reception will follow the recital, and all are invited to attend.