

**The Order of Worship**

**May 1, 2011  
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**THE CHURCH GATHERS ...**

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

**PRELUDE**

(9:00) Christ lag in Todesbanden (I) Georg Böhm  
*Christ Lay in Death's Strong Bonds*

(11:00) Litany of Joy Philip M. Young  
Handbell Choir

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION** (11:00) Chris Ford - Program Director, John Knox Center

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Kathleen Farnham, liturgist

Leader: Come! Now is the time to worship.

**People: Now is the time to celebrate the risen Lord!**

Leader: Christ the Lord is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed!**

Leader: CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN!

**People: HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

**All: ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!**

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 105** (blue hymnal) Because You Live, O Christ *Vruechten*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have allowed doubt to seep into our hearts and minds, and our words and deeds do not always reflect the abiding presence of your love. Have mercy on us and forgive us for our self-centeredness and our arrogance. Free us from our sin that we may daily be your Easter people, reflecting joy in our risen Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**\*KYRIE ELEISON** Healey Willan

(Congregation singing— music is found on the inside cover of the red hymnal)

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

(First part: women; second: men; third: all)

**\*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** Acts 2:14a,22-32

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

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** John 20:19-31

**SERMON** "In the Flesh" Rev. Anne McKee

**\*HYMN NO. 399** (blue hymnal) We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight *Dunlap's Creek*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**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. Though 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) Litany of Joy Philip M. Young

(11:00) Come, Ye Faithful R. S. Thatcher

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain Of triumphant gladness; God hath brought His Israel  
Into joy from sadness; 'Tis the Spring of Souls today, Christ hath burst His prison, And

from three days sleep in death As a Sun hath risen.

Now the Queen of seasons, bright With the day of splendour, With the royal feast of feasts, Comes its joy to render; Comes to glad Jerusalem, Who with true affection Welcomes in unwearied strains Jesu's Resurrection. Alleluia!

Neither might the gates of death, Nor the tomb's dark portal, Nor the watchers, nor the seal, Hold Thee as a mortal; But today amidst the twelve Thou didst stand, bestowing That Thy peace which evermore Passeth human knowing. Alleluia!

St. John Damascene

**\*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**

### CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (responsive)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

(Prayer continues)...to the glory of your name.

**SANCTUS NO. 553** (red hymnal)

John Merbecke

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.**

(Prayer continues)...Praise to you, Lord Jesus.

**AGNUS DEI NO. 555** (red hymnal)

John Merbecke

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**SHARING THE SACRAMENT**

(Seated and partaking of elements when received, followed by silent meditation.)

**MUSIC FOR COMMUNION** (11:00)

Hymn No. 504 (blue hymnal) Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

*Union Seminary*

(The congregation is invited to sing.)

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (Unison)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

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

Danish melody

**\*POSTLUDE** Victimae paschali laudes

Heinrich Scheidemann

*Christians, to the Paschal Victim*

\*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 Stephanie Lynch-Wright and Buz Johnson.

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

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

### SERVING TODAY

**ACOLYTE** (11:00): Joseph Hutzenbiler

**GREETERS** (11:00): Renee and Bill Wiesehuegel

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:**

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Andrew and Kristi Gordon, Maggie Gordon and Anna Milam

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:**

(9:00) Handbell Choir

(11:00) Chancel and Handbell Choirs

**SENIOR USHER:** Christie Dowling

**USHERS:**

(9:00) David Woodall and Carol Beilharz

(11:00) Trish Groves, Rob McKeehan, Barbara Wilkinson, Randolph McCartha,  
Nancy Cundall

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Norman McRae and Linda Judge-McRae in honor of their daughter, Caroline Winson Park McRae, who blessed her parents by arriving from South Korea to be a part of their family on April 24, 2002. She will celebrate her tenth birthday on May 27.

**TWO-CENTS-A-MEAL** collection is **today**. We bring this offering each “First Sunday,” as our share in maintaining the Volunteer Ministry Center of Knoxville. The average monthly cost to serve breakfast and lunch is \$200. Your support is greatly appreciated!

**NAME TAG SUNDAY** is today. Please fill out a name tag in the Narthex.

**THIS MORNING’S ORGAN MUSIC** is based on the Gregorian chant “Victimae paschali laudes.” Quoting Bettie Mason, who provided notes for the bulletin when the Chancel Choir sang William Byrd’s setting of the chant several years ago, and adapting her comments to this morning’s composers, “Scheidemann’s composition comes directly from the Gregorian chant, Bach’s [Böhm’s] through Martin Luther’s great chorale “Christ lag in Todesbanden” (Christ lay in the bonds of death) patterned after it.” Though both composers are from the North German School, Scheidemann’s setting sounds ancient, with the melody in long note values in the pedal, while Böhm’s presents the melody in an ornamented form in the treble, concluding with typical improvisatory figuration.

**ORGANIST CRAIG CRAMER** will be heard in recital at Westminster **this Friday evening, May 6, at 8:00** as part of this year’s *Musica Organi* series. Professor of Organ at the University of Notre Dame, Dr. Cramer holds degrees from Westminster Choir College and the Eastman School of Music, where he earned the Doctor of Musical Arts degree and was also awarded the prestigious Performer’s Certificate in Organ. He has played for conventions of the American Guild of Organists as well as for many AGO chapters across the country. Additionally, he is regularly invited to perform on many of Europe’s most important historic organs. Dr. Cramer previously played on the *Musica Organi* series in 2004 and was so well received that we are delighted to have him back this season. His program will include works by J. S. Bach, Joel Martinson, Felix Mendelssohn, and Heinrich Scheidemann. Admission is free and the congregation is cordially invited to attend. A nursery will be provided. We hope you’ll join us for an evening of fine organ music!

**WESTMINSTER YOUNG FAMILIES AND YOUTH CLUB** meet at 12:15 p.m. today for lunch and games in the courtyard.

**THE CAP GROUP** (Caring for Aging Parents) organizational meeting is today in the Library immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Christianity in a Globalized World** (McKinnon Room) led by Scott Brunger

This class will explore Christianity’s history and current role in the wider world.

May 1 - Globalization I Roman Empire - The early Christian Church spread from Hebrew culture into alien Greek and other cultures of the Roman World. The Nicene Creed was an attempt to define Christianity in a cross-cultural situation.

May 8 - Globalization II Silk Road - Nestorian Christianity spread from Persia to China, adapting to Chinese and Buddhist cultures along the Silk Road. “Christian sutras” adapted Christianity. The Ming Dynasty suppressed both Christianity and Buddhism as alien cultures.

**Bible Experience** (Prayer Room) led by Ellen Anderson

This ongoing exploration of the Bible and how it speaks to us in today’s world will continue to examine Paul’s letters.

**99 Ways to Raise Spiritually Healthy Children** (Library)

This class will read and discuss excerpts from *99 Ways to Raise Spiritually Healthy Children*. This fun, readable and thought-provoking book will surely provide all parents some useful food for thought about how to pass faith onto our children. Some sample topics include: develop family rituals, take care of yourself, remember when God became more than just a name to you, encourage questions, use your imagination, respond to current events from a faith perspective, and give and receive forgiveness. Books are available for \$7.50.

**LOST AND FOUND:** Please take a moment to check the lost and found table in the Schilling Gallery to claim any items that belong to you. We will take unclaimed items to Goodwill on Monday.

**CHURCH DIRECTORIES HAVE ARRIVED!** As a token of appreciation, each family who had pictures taken receives a free pictorial directory. Your free directory can be picked up in the Schilling Gallery. If you would like to purchase a directory, we have some available for \$5.

**THE COMMUNITY CHEST THRIFT STORE** collection is scheduled for Saturday, May 7 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension. Clothing and small household items are needed. To volunteer at Community Chest call 971-4417.

## Compassion Knoxville

May 11, 2011

6:30 p.m.

As Knox County continues to discern how best to address the issue of homelessness in our community, the newly organized Compassion Knoxville Task Force is offering citizens the opportunity to share thoughts and ideas on this issue. On Wednesday, May 11, Westminster Presbyterian Church will be host to a Compassion Knoxville round robin discussion on homelessness in our community. The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m., and the discussion will focus on two main questions:

1. Homelessness is an issue that impacts our community. What do you suggest we do about it?
2. What are the major concerns you have about dealing with homelessness?

To participate in efforts to end homelessness is to give voice to those who do not have voice and to be part of a process that encourages the self-development of people. You are invited to share in the conversation that will hopefully guide future decisions in a positive direction. For more information you may contact Ginny Baker or Dr. Amy Gibson, Coordinator of Compassion Knoxville at Amykgibson@compassionknoxville.com.

**FOYER GROUPS** shuffle in May. See your *Abbey* for details, and contact Sue Murrian at 524-5638 or suebobintn@aol.com to join a group, drop out for this rotation, or for more information. This is an especially good way for new members to connect to Westminster.

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** has been called by Session for May 15 following the 11:00 worship service for the purpose of hearing a report from the Nominating Committee and electing elders for the class of 2014, a youth elder for the class of 2012, and one trustee for the class of 2014. The slate of nominees is:

**Elder, Class of 2014:** Terry Crow, Dave Dupper, Anne Millett, Cindy Spangler, Bill Wiesehuegel

**Youth Elder, Class of 2012:** Laura Dupper

**Trustee, Class of 2014:** Norman McRae

**A CELEBRATION OF LIFE** for Vivian Gammon will be held on Sunday, May 8 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please contact the church office if you would like to bring finger food for the reception that follows the service.



## WPC SPRING WORKDAY

May 14, 2011

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon



Come join us as we spruce up our grounds and buildings. We have both outside (trimming, weeding, picking up, raking, etc.) and inside (painting, cleaning, straightening, etc.) tasks, so we have a job for you! If you want to work outside, bring your yard tools and gloves. If you want to paint, bring your brushes and rags. We will work from 8:00 a.m. to noon, but any time you can help within that window will be greatly appreciated. Help us make WPC sparkle!

## YOUTH NEWS

### **Carwash Fundraiser**

The youth are washing cars **today** to raise funds for our two summer trips:

- SHOW youth are attending the Montreat Conference, "Searching for the Signal", June 12-16.
- The entire youth group will be part of Operation Back Yard, July 10-15 in Knoxville. We will stay in Central United Methodist Church all week, working on repairing and rejuvenating homes for needy Knoxville residents. This program, part of Knoxville Leadership Foundation, includes nightly church services and interaction with other participating youth groups.

We will wash cars in the parking lot in front of the church. Just pull into a spot, leave your keys with a designated parent (only adult will hold keys or move cars), and enjoy Sunday School and Worship. We'll have your car washed when you're done. Donations are accepted when you pick up your car. Thanks so much for your support, and for helping us help others!

### **Cooking Dinner for Mom**

After we rest up (and clean up!) from the car wash, we're cooking a wonderful meal for our wonderful moms! All youth will meet in the kitchen at 5:00 p.m. this evening to cook an elegant meal especially for mom - but we'll make enough for us, too! We will serve this gourmet feast to our moms at 6:30 p.m. Thanks to Anne Dungan for working her magic and helping all this come together! We love you, moms and this is our chance to SHOW you! (Couldn't think of a fun-pun for WAMS...) And, if it involves moms...you know there'll be chocolate!

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for "Senior Sunday," May 15, when we will honor our youth and high school graduates!

**PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE TEAM:** On behalf of our Presbytery, Fritz Schilling is putting together a team who will screen and process volunteers who want to help folks affected by disaster. A training event will be held in the McKinnon Room from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24. The goal is to assemble a team of 24 people (8 each from WPC, Farragut and New Providence in Maryville) who can be available at any given time to staff a screening and processing center near a disaster site. After training, a one-year commitment is anticipated for each screening team member. This is not a large physical task, as it will include welcoming would-be volunteers, interviewing, and explaining what the volunteer is being asked to do. Along with various church groups, we as Presbyterians are being asked by the American Red Cross to prepare to offer a screening team to help if and when it is needed. Please contact Fritz Schilling at fbschill309@knology.net if you are able to be a part of our team.