

The Order of Worship

June 26, 2011
10:00 A.M.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

PRELUDE Canzona No. 8 in G

Dieterich Buxtehude

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted, Psalm 63

Leader: O God, you are my God, how I long for you!

Women: My soul thirsts for you, as in a dry, weary land without water.

Men: I gaze upon you in the sanctuary to behold your power and glory.

Leader: Your unchanging love is better than life; my lips will speak your praise.

Women: And so I will praise you with all of my life: I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

Men: My soul will feast and be satisfied, and my mouth will praise you with joy.

Leader: My soul clings to you, and your right hand upholds me.

ALL: For you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 464 (blue hymnal) Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn to Joy

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Leader: Let us in silence confess our faults and ask God's mercy.
(Silence)

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.

Leader: Before God, with the people of God, I confess to my brokenness: to the ways I wound my life, the lives of others, and the life of the world.

ALL: MAY GOD FORGIVE YOU, CHRIST RENEW YOU, AND THE SPIRIT ENABLE YOU TO GROW IN LOVE.

Leader: Amen.

ALL: BEFORE GOD, WITH THE PEOPLE OF GOD, WE CONFESS TO OUR BROKENNESS: TO THE WAYS WE WOUND OUR LIVES, THE LIVES OF OTHERS, AND THE LIFE OF THE WORLD.

Leader: May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

ALL: AMEN.

*RESPONSE Gloria Patri No. 579 (blue hymnal)

Henry W. Greatorex

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 22:1-14

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

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

Matthew 10: 40-42

SERMON

"The Evolution of God"

Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

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

Germany

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

Leader: With the whole church

ALL: WE AFFIRM THAT WE ARE MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE, BEFRIENDED BY CHRIST, EMPOWERED BY THE SPIRIT.

Leader: With people everywhere

ALL: WE AFFIRM GOD'S GOODNESS AT THE HEART OF HUMANITY, PLANTED MORE DEEPLY THAN ALL THAT IS WRONG.

Leader: With all creation

ALL: WE CELEBRATE THE MIRACLE AND WONDER OF LIFE; THE UNFOLDING PURPOSES OF GOD, FOREVER AT WORK IN OURSELVES AND THE WORLD. AMEN.

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. 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 Fairest Lord Jesus

Schönster Herr Jesu

arr. Peter Van Eenam and the *Pilgrim Hymnal*

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son; Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling, starry host: Jesus
shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Münster *Gesangbuch*, 1677

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 591 (blue hymnal)

Tallis' Canon

(Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 542 (blue hymnal))

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy
Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 274** (blue hymnal) O God of Earth and Space

Leoni

***CHARGE AND BEDICTION**

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

Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Fugue

Claude-Bénigne Balbastre

*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 Kristi Gordon and Tim Ryan.

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JUNE: Carlene Robinson

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES: Joseph Hutzenbiler and Lily Seidner

GREETERS: John and Kathy Shilling

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Peggy Jones, Megan McClure and Anna Milam

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Summer Choir

LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP: Brad and Judy Horn

SENIOR USHER: John Johnson

USHERS: Michael Yates, Brian Bonnyman, Rob McKeehan, Mary Lou Crow, Rex Battenberg

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Jim and Janice Utt to the glory of God and in honor of the marriage of Emily Elisabeth Utt and Christopher James Huff on June 25th. The flowers are also offered in memory of Emily and Christopher's grandparents: Harold and Betty Black, Albert Utt, James and Mary Huff, and William Glarner.

THIS MORNING'S PRELUDE shows the contrapuntal mastery of the North German composer Dieterich Buxtehude. It begins with the typical canzona thematic elements and rhythm followed by entrances of each of the two accompanying voices of the same material (similar to a canon). What is interesting is that he then inverts the opening theme of the first section to be the basis of the second, and ultimately combines both the original and inverted forms of the theme in the third and final section!

A STATED SESSION MEETING is today at 11:15 a.m. in the McKinnon Room.

TWO-CENTS-A-MEAL collection is **next Sunday**. 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!

BAGGING FOR THE FISH PANTRY takes place **today at 4:00 p.m.** at Church of the Savior on Weisgarber Road. Please consider spending an hour or so to help prepare food bags to be delivered to families in need in our community.

STEPHEN MINISTERS meet Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Library for a continuing education session about poverty. All interested people are welcome to attend. A regular supervision meeting will follow.

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

THE COMMUNITY CHEST THRIFT STORE collection is scheduled for Saturday, July 2 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension. Clothing and small household items are appreciated. Volunteers are needed at Community Chest (971-4417) and at the Northwest FISH Hospitality Pantry (588-9200).

SUMMER LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP: Volunteers are needed to serve lemonade in the Schilling Gallery this summer following the 10:00 a.m. worship services. All supplies are provided and the table is prepared for you. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery.

WESTMINSTER NIGHT AT THE SMOKIES: Join us at the ballpark on Friday, August 12 for the 7:15 p.m. Smokies game! The cost of each ticket is \$8. Please send in a check, payable to Westminster, for the number of seats you would like to purchase, noting "Smokies tickets" on your check. We hope you can attend this Fellowship event!

OPERATION BACK YARD MEETING

Wednesday, June 29

6:30 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

Barbara Adamcik will lead a short meeting this Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall. We will be filling out paperwork, going over the schedule, and signing up for transportation to and from the work site. We've had a nice response from people who are offering to bring us lunch on the work site (July 11-15). A couple of days, we could use someone to volunteer to provide dessert or fruit. Please contact Barbara by email at wpcyouth.barbara@gmail.com if you want to help or need to have forms emailed. This will be such an exciting opportunity - meeting needs and helping those in our own backyard! See you Wednesday!