

**The Order of Worship**

**February 12, 2012  
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**THE CHURCH GATHERS ...**

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

**PRELUDE** Prélude (from *Suite on the Second Tone*) Jean Adam Guilain

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**INTROIT** (11:00) Praise the Lord (from *Judas Maccabeus*) G. F. Handel

Praise the Lord. Let songs of joy break forth. Sing alleluia. Praise His name forevermore.  
Shout, sing and dance and celebrate. Come dance and celebrate. Rejoice; let all now praise  
His name. O praise His holy name forevermore.

Hal H. Hopson

Westminster Strings

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Adapted from Psalm 30

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

**People: For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.**

Leader: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**People: O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.**

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 476** (blue hymnal) O Worship the King, All Glorious Above! Lyons

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

Creator God, you fashioned a world of beauty and plenty for our home, but we have spoiled it with greed. Refusing to live within our dominion of shalom and justice, we have ignored the needs of our fellow creatures. We vainly attempt to be lord of our own lives. Still, we cannot ignore what our sin has wrought – pollution, poverty, oppression, abuse, violence and extinction. Your people are hurting. Your planet calls out for justice. Forgive us, O Lord. Teach us again your good way that we may participate in your healing of creation, through 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. 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 ...**

**GOSPEL LESSON** Mark 1:40-45

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

Children age 4 through 2<sup>nd</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.

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** II Kings 5:1-17

**SERMON** "To Be Taken Seriously" Rev. John Linton Muntz

*"If not, please let two mule-loads of earth be given to your servant..." – II Kings 5:17*

**\*HYMN NO. 422** (blue hymnal) God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending Beach Spring

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

Central to our Reformed tradition is the affirmation of the majesty, holiness and providence of God who creates, sustains, rules and redeems the world in the freedom of sovereign righteousness and love. We affirm the election of the people of God for service as well as for salvation; covenant life marked by a disciplined concern for order in the church according to the Word of God; a faithful stewardship that shuns ostentation and seeks the proper use of the gifts of God's creation; the recognition of the human tendency to idolatry and tyranny, which calls the people of God to work for the transformation of society by seeking justice and living in obedience to the Word of 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. 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) Praise the Lord G. F. Handel

(The text is found at the Introit.)

(11:00) In Thee Is Gladness C. V. Stanford

In thee is gladness, amid all sadness, Jesus, sunshine of my heart! By thee are given the gifts of heaven, Thou the true Redeemer art! Our souls thou wakest, our bonds thou breakest, Who trusts thee surely, hath built securely, He stands for ever: Hallelujah! Our

hearts are pining, to see thy shining, Dying or living to thee are cleaving, Nought can us sever. Hallelujah!

trans. Catherine Winkworth

**\*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. 411** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Arise, Your Light Is Come! *Festal Song*

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION** (11:00)

*The meeting will convene in the sanctuary immediately following the hymn at the 11:00 service. All are invited to remain. Those who must be excused may depart.*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

**\*POSTLUDE** In dir ist Freude Marcel Dupré

*In Thee Is Joy*

\*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:** Laura Dupper and John Salsbery

**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR FEBRUARY:** Linda Rutherford

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

**SERVING TODAY**

**ACOLYTES** (11:00): Ethan Partelow and Ellie Tidwell

**GREETERS** (11:00): Mark and Teresa Palmer

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:**

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Robert and Leslie James, Eva and Frances James

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:**

(9:00) Westminster Choristers and Westminster Strings

(11:00) Chancel Choir, Westminster Choristers, and Westminster Strings

**SENIOR USHER:** Christie Dowling

**USHERS:**

(9:00) Genet Weber and Kathy Huck

(11:00) Gordon Greeson, Rex Battenberg, Beth Chang, John Chang, Rob McKeehan

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Don and Connie Graham in honor of their new grandson, Liam Andrew Graham and in honor of the February birthdays of Donnie, Shawn, Meredith and Ellie.

**THE BIRTH CANDLE** is lit today in celebration of the birth of Liam Andrew Graham. Liam was born on January 26<sup>th</sup> to Chris and Meredith Graham and big sister, Campbell. Proud grandparents are Don and Connie Graham.

**OUR THANKS** to the members of the Westminster Strings for their enrichment of our worship this morning as they accompany the Westminster Choristers.

**THIS MORNING'S OFFERTORY ANTHEM** sung by the Chancel Choir is based on the same German chorale melody as the postlude. This Epiphany chorale has been set by a number of distinguished composers, including J. S. Bach in his *Orgelbüchlein*. Marcel Dupré, organist at St. Sulpice in Paris from 1934 to 1971 (succeeding his friend and mentor Charles-Marie Widor), composed his *Seventy-nine Chorales*, from which this morning's postlude is taken, as teaching pieces written on chorales J. S. Bach set in various collections, including the *Orgelbüchlein*. It is interesting that Stanford, not normally known for arrangements of other melodies, chose to set this one. Tying in with the Epiphany theme and given the nature of the postlude, one might just happen to see the Zymbelstern spin today, reminding us of our continual journey toward the star and Bethlehem.

**ORGANIST STEPHEN HAMILTON** will be heard in recital at Westminster **this Friday evening, February 17, at 8:00** as part of this season's *Musica Organi* series. His program will include a wide variety of music that will make full use of the many colors of our organ. Featured will be music by Jehan Alain, J. S. Bach, César Franck, Ginastera, José Lidón, and others. Come enjoy an evening of fine organ music and fellowship and don't forget about Bettie Mason's famous "organ" cookies!

**WAMS AND SHOW** meet from 5:00-7:00 this evening for a (non-mushy) Valentine Party. We'll have dinner, play games, make "art" and decorate cupcakes!

**MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT** is Tuesday, February 14 at 7:00 p.m. The Mission Service team will bring our refreshments.

**THE CAP (Caring for Aging Parents) GROUP** will meet Wednesday, February 15 at 4:30 p.m. in the Library. This group meets the third Wednesday of each month.

**THERE IS FREE FIREWOOD** stacked on the edge of the parking lot. Please help yourself (and us) by taking some.

**THE HOUSING TASK FORCE** wishes to thank those of you who completed and returned the survey on our WPC housing mission work. The results have been compiled and a report made to the Mission Ministry Team.

### WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER

February 15

#### 5:45-6:30 p.m. - Dinner

Our meal this week is the **Youth Pancake Dinner**.

Donations are welcome to help fund the youth work week with Operation Back Yard and the 2012 Montreat Summer Youth Conference



#### 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Programs

- There is a nursery for infants through age 4 and programs for K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Information about the adult class will be announced in Westminster News by email.
- Youth will meet for DGroup in the SHOW room. We'll be using a movie/discussion series. This is a great way to check in with everyone midweek, learn and have fun, too!

### WOMEN OF WESTMINSTER

#### Dinner and Fellowship

Tuesday, February 21 - 6:00 p.m.

All women of Westminster are invited to join us for dinner at Aubrey's, 6005 Brookvale Lane (off of Papermill Drive). Please RSVP by Monday, February 20 to Debbie Cruze.

#### Women's Morning Book Club

The morning book club is off to a great start! We meet the third Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the SHOW room. The book for February 21<sup>st</sup> is *Power Concedes Nothing* by Connie Rice. Upcoming selections are *Still Alice* for the month of March and *A Perfect Madness* (by our own Frank Marsh) for April. Feel free to join us as you are able, or when we are discussing a book of particular interest to you.

### Kids' Club

#### Preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Kids' Club (formerly Youth Club) includes all children in Preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. We will meet a couple of times a month, alternating between outings or events and service projects. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to spend time with each other outside of Sunday School, while experiencing the joy of service to our congregation, community and world. Please contact Angela Grobe with questions or suggestions for events.

- February 19 – Swimming at the Cansler Family YMCA
- March 11 – Lunch, packing rice and beans for the FISH Pantry

**COMPASSION COALITION** is offering a 4-week class entitled, "Introduction to Compassion Ministry" for individuals who are looking for information about how to serve our community. The class will be held on Tuesday evenings, February 21 through March 13, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Laurel Church of Christ, 3457 Kingston Pike. The course fee is \$30 to cover the cost of books and materials. To register or learn more, call 251-1591, ext. 1 or email [Rebecca@compassioncoalition.org](mailto:Rebecca@compassioncoalition.org).

### Adult Sunday School

#### Parents' Class

Does your family seem frazzled by busy schedules? Join us for a study of *The Hurried Family: Help for the Hurried Home* by Dr. Tim Kimmel, based on his book, *Little House on the Freeway*. Dr. Kimmel brings help to the hurried home by sharing positive ways to overcome one's hectic lifestyle.

#### Fellowship Hall

#### Bible Class

The Bible Class will be reading Nahum, the minor prophet with a major message.

#### Prayer Room

#### Faith Growth

The NOOMA video series features Pastor Rob Bell. NOOMA is cutting-edge and thought provoking, and each week has a different topic related to real-life situations. The name NOOMA comes from a phonetic spelling of the Greek word pneuma, meaning "wind," "spirit," or "breath." Come and experience a new and refreshing spirit!

#### McKinnon Room