

The Order of Worship

**April 29, 2012
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

PRELUDE Vatter unser im Himmelreich (Bicinium) Georg Philipp Telemann
Our Father, Who Art in Heaven

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) Glory to God Giovanni Battista Pergolesi
Glory to God in the highest heaven and peace to his people on earth. Glory to God in the highest heaven and on earth peace and goodwill to his people evermore.

Luke 2:14

Boys' and Girls' Choirs
Helen Bryenton and Nancy Duckles, Violins

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

People: **Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

People: **For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 482** (blue hymnal) Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty *Lobe den Herren*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We confess that we panic easily, make decisions on whims, and often listen to the wrong voices. We raze green pastures, pollute still waters, and allow our fears to put us into deep darkness. We forget that you promise to supply our needs rather than satisfy our wants. We confess that we have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Forgive us, we pray, in the name of Christ our Lord. 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 4:5-12; John 10:10-18

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Bob Adamcik

Children age 4 through 2nd 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 I John 3:16-24

SERMON "In Truth and Action" Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

***HYMN NO. 172** (blue hymnal) My Shepherd Will Supply My Need *Resignation*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) Psalm 23 (King James version)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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. You are also invited to reflect on the following prayer.)

My Lord, God, I have no idea where I am going.

I do not see the road ahead of me.

I cannot know for certain where it will end.

Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But, I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you.

And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore will I trust you always,
though I may seem to be lost in the shadow of death
I will not fear, for you are ever with me,
and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

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) Glory to God Giovanni Battista Pergolesi
(The text is found at the Introit.)
(11:00) On Eagle's Wings Michael Joncas
arr. Douglas E. Wagner

And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in His shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my Rock in whom I trust!" (Refrain)

The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear: under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield. (Refrain)

You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day; though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come. (Refrain)

For to His angels He's given a command to guard you in all of your ways; upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone. (Refrain)

based on Psalm 91

***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. 387** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us *Bradbury*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Sonata No. 2, Movement I

Felix Mendelssohn

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP here today.

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Pam Potocik and Don Byerly

CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR MAY: Sue Byerly and Judy Jorden

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from the ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Leah Milam and Ellie Tidwell

GREETERS (11:00): Sara Cantrell and Ibbie Muntz

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Thalia Hatmaker, Abby and Ben Hatmaker

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Boys' and Girls' Choirs

(11:00) Boys' and Girls' Choirs and Westminster Choristers

SENIOR USHER: Tom Byerley

USHERS:

(9:00) Rob McKeehan and LoAnn Price

(11:00) Robin Greeson, Trish Groves, Bill Beintema, Georgann Byerley, Buz Johnson

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in celebration of John and Kathy Shilling's 49th wedding anniversary. Jennifer and Angela Shilling and Sam and Chloe Smith would like to thank them for making this wonderful life possible; we love you, Old People!

THE BIRTH CANDLE is lit today in honor of Piper Elaine Crais, granddaughter of Tim and Anne Crais. Piper was born April 21st to Andy and Aubrie Crais and brother, Whit.

THIS MORNING'S ANTHEM sung by the Boys' and Girls' Choirs is wonderfully exuberant and vibrant and Italianate in form. After the instrumental introduction, its rhythmic theme is sung in alternation by each choir and then capped by a florid cadence in sixteenth notes. The middle section features the first theme again followed by a new one sung in two parts (in sweet parallel thirds and then with this second theme sung over a vocal pedal point). The final choral section features somewhat forward-looking harmonies one might associate more with the Classical era. Our thanks to Helen Bryenton and Nancy Duckles for their enrichment of our worship this morning as they accompany the Boys' and Girls' Choirs.

ORGANIST PETER SYKES will be heard at Westminster Church Friday evening, May 11, at 8:00 as part of this season's *Musica Organi* recital series. An active recitalist, Mr. Sykes is Associate Professor of Music and Chair of the Historical Performance Department at Boston University and is one of this country's finest organists. This event will be cosponsored by the Knoxville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. We'll look forward to seeing you there!

DON'T MISS THE FINAL PERFORMANCE of *Carousel*, presented by Westminster Players this evening at 7:30 p.m. The joys of youth, community, and the challenge and redemption of unconditional love make *Carousel* one of Rodgers & Hammerstein's most entertaining and deeply touching works. The suggested donation is \$12 for adults and \$5 for students. A nursery is provided and encouraged for young children.

Graduate and Confirmand Reception

Join us in the Schilling Gallery on Sunday, May 6 immediately after the 11:00 worship service, as we honor and congratulate our 2012 Confirmands and High School graduates. Cake, fresh fruit and punch will be served.

The Fellowship team encourages the congregation to stop by to extend your best wishes to these fantastic young people, and to enjoy a time of fellowship with your Westminster friends.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called by Session for May 13 following the 11:00 worship service for the purpose of hearing a report from the Nominating Committee and electing elders for the class of 2015, a youth elder for the class of 2013, and one trustee for the class of 2015. The slate of nominees is:

Elder, Class of 2015: Ellen Anderson, Jean Bonnyman, Hap McSween, Rick Oakes and Jack Woodall

Youth Elder, Class of 2013: Nathan Seidner

Trustee, Class of 2015: Joe Ben Turner

Please take a moment to read about these nominees on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery.

Adult Sunday School

Parents' Class

Join us as we continue studying *Grace Based Parenting* by Dr. Tim Kimmel."

Library

Bible Class

Continuing our trip through the minor prophets, today we will study the book of Hosea. In the Bible, people's names have meaning, but most especially in Hosea! Join us for reading and discussion in this fascinating book!

Prayer Room

Faith Growth

Jesus lived with the awareness that God is doing something, right here, right now, and anybody can be a part of it. He encouraged his listeners to search, to question, to wrestle with the implications of what he was saying and doing. He inspired, challenged, provoked, comforted, and invited people to be open to God's work in this world. Wherever he went, whatever he did, Jesus started discussions about what matters most, because for Jesus, God is always inviting us to open our eyes and join in. NOOMA is a series of short films that explore our world from a perspective of Jesus. NOOMA is an invitation to search, question, and join the discussion.

McKinnon Room

Garden Guild Seeks Help

The Garden Guild is still looking for 4-6 more volunteers to help us maintain the "garden" areas around our church campus. If you like wildflowers and wooded areas, then our Prayer Path is just the place - and we need another three folks to help Jane Beintema, Sue Byerly, and Jean Bonnyman with that beautiful area. If you prefer the more conventional flowers and shrubbery, we also need some help around the perimeter of our buildings. And if you want to be a "jack of all trades", we can use some folks willing to substitute for the regulars or to provide an additional hand occasionally when needed.

If you are willing to get your hands dirty (literally) and can spare a few hours a month (flexible - on your schedule), then please contact Tom Byerley.

THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED to Eric Adamcik's Eagle Scout Court of Honor on Tuesday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. A reception will follow.

THE COMMUNITY CHEST THRIFT STORE collection is scheduled for Saturday, May 5th from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension. Donations of clothing, household items, toys and furniture will be taken to the thrift store, where they may be purchased inexpensively by those in need. If you would like to volunteer to help with these ministries, please call Community Chest (971-4417) or the Northwest FISH Hospitality Pantry (588-9200).