

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

**PRELUDE** Chorale Fantasia: Schafe können sicher weiden Johann Sebastian Bach  
Sheep May Safely Graze

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: With what shall we come before the Lord? What does the Lord require of us?

**People: To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.**

Leader: What shall we return to the Lord for all the good things God has done for us?

**People: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

\***HYMN NO. 229** (blue hymnal) From All That Dwell Below the Skies *Lasst uns erfreuen*

\***CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

Gracious God, we open our hearts and confess our sins—against you, against our neighbor, against even ourselves. For the wrongs of our minds, our hearts, our spirits—forgive us. For our silence and lack of compassion—forgive us. For our self-love and our self-hatred—forgive us. For our anger and our fear—forgive us. For the waste of your gifts—forgive us. For our part, known and unknown, in the suffering of any of your children—forgive us. For our failures in justice and peace—forgive us. For all the times we do not walk the way of love—forgive us in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

\***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.

SCRIPTURE READING

I Samuel 16:1-13

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Linda Judge-McRae

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

II Corinthians 5:11-20; Mark 4:26-34

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

“The spiritual life is not a process of addition, but of subtraction.”

—Meister Eckhart, 14<sup>th</sup> century

\***HYMN NO. 293** (blue hymnal) This Is My Father's World

*Terra beata*

\***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) From “The Confession of 1967” Presbyterian Church USA

The life, death, resurrection and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His life as a human being involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to humanity commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of humankind so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of people in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgement on humankind's inhumanity and the awful consequences of its own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of humanity's life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

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 Epitaphe

Louis Vierne

\***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. 467 (blue hymnal) How Great Thou Art

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\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

Danish melody

\*POSTLUDE Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Paul Manz

\*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:** Anne Millett and Bill Wiesehuegel

**CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR JUNE:** Shirley Wittman and Lucy Johnson

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

**SERVING TODAY**

**GREETERS:** John and Kathy Shilling

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:** Bill and Marti Davis, Ellie Yates and Maggie Gordon

**LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP:** Darlen and William Milam

**SENIOR USHER:** John Johnson

**USHERS:** Scott Brunger, Rob McKeenan, LoAnn Price, Irene Seidner, Joanne White

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given to the glory of God and in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Jim and Linda Yates.

**OUR THANKS** to Eileen Rudd for serving as organist this morning while Peter Van Eenam continues to be in England visiting his younger daughter, Kathryn.

**PLEASE FILL OUT A NAME TAG IN THE NARTHEX TODAY.** We will be wearing name tags for several Sundays this summer. As we enjoy our lemonade fellowship after worship, be sure to greet someone you don't already know!

**THE NEW PEACE LILY** in the Sanctuary is given in celebration of the life of Ralph White.

**JOIN US FOR LEMONADE** after worship each Sunday this summer. We will meet in the Schilling Gallery and enjoy a time of fellowship together.



**SOLAR PANELS:** There will be a brief dedication of the solar panels following today's service in the courtyard behind the Schilling Gallery. Please join us as we celebrate this new addition to our Creation Care commitment!

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE CHOIR (for a little while)?** This summer the Chancel Choir and Westminster Choristers are again joining together to provide music for worship as the "Summer Choir," and we would love to have you join us for fun, fellowship, and service to the church. This would be a commitment only for the summer months, unless you would find that you'd like to stay with us longer. Middle school-age singers and older would probably be most well suited and basic musical experience would be helpful, but interest in singing is the most important consideration. Please contact Peter Van Eenam at your earliest convenience if you would like to join in!

**LOST AND FOUND:** A Lost and Found table has been set up in the Schilling Gallery. We appreciate your help in returning these lost items. All unclaimed items will be donated to Goodwill in the coming week.

**THE BIBLE CLASS** will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Library continuing the study of the Trinity. Scott Brunger will relate how his college course on "Christian Mission in a Diverse World" discussed faith in the Trinity in early Greece, China and Switzerland. Everyone is welcome!

**SUMMER LECTIONARY MEDITATION:** To enhance your experience of worship this summer, we are offering a meditative session before each service. No advance preparation is needed, and all ages are welcome. We will use Sunday's bulletin and read each of the day's scripture passages three times, with a period of silent meditation following each reading. After silent meditation, participants are welcome to speak or not speak, discuss or not discuss, as the Spirit leads. This practice of "lectio divina" takes us deep into God's word and enables more active appreciation of the worship service to come. We'll meet in the McKinnon Room at 9:20 a.m. and end at 9:50 a.m. Join us whenever you can.

**MORNING BOOK GROUP** will meet on June 19 at 10 am in the SHOW Room. *Evidence of Things Unseen* by Marianne Wiggins will be discussed. There are several copies in the library. This is a very informal group so please join us at any time. We will take the month of July off and begin again in August with a discussion of *The Book Thief* by Marcus Zusak. Please contact Linda Rutherford if you have any questions about this group.

**WOW DINNER:** Women of Westminster will meet for dinner on Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. Join us at the Sequoyah Grille in Western Plaza at 6:00 p.m. for good food and conversation. Please RSVP to Anne Langley.

**WOMEN'S LUNCH BUNCH** will meet at Sullivan's at Rocky Hill at 11:30 a.m. on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Join us for some neighborhood dining. Please RSVP to Janice Rawe.

**BAGGING GROCERIES FOR THE FISH PANTRY** for the month of June is done by Westminster volunteers. All bagging takes place at Church of the Savior on Weisgarber Road. With a sufficient number of baggers, it takes about an hour to fill the number of bags needed for the next week. Please sign up in the Schilling Gallery for one of these dates: Wednesday, June 20, 5:00 p.m. and/or Wednesday, June 27, 5:00 p.m.

**VBS for All Ages**  
**Sunday, June 24 ~ June 27**  
**5:45 - 7:45pm**

Mark your calendars for a great week for all ages! We have some great speakers lined up to speak to the adult class. Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors for this fantastic week of fun. Please register by emailing Angela Grobe at [angela\\_wpc@comcast.net](mailto:angela_wpc@comcast.net). Each evening begins with dinner made by our Loaves and Fishes cooking teams.

**Speakers for the Adults**

**Sunday** ~ **Parci Gibson** from Knox County Wastewater Management will speak on general water quality in Knoxville or steps folks can take to reduce water pollution contribution and mimic natural hydrology on a site.

**Monday** ~ **Harvey Abouelata**, territory manager for Choice Solar and Geothermal and Chair of the Membership Committee for the Tennessee Solar Energy Industries Association (TenneSEIA) will speak on Why Renewable Technology?; Economic Development; Energy Independence and Environmental Stewardship; Evaluate, Reduce and Produce; Renewable Technology; How to jump into the Renewable Energy Pool – start with a caulk gun and a light bulb.

**Tuesday** ~ **John Nolt**, Professor of philosophy at UT will speak on the ethics of global climate change.

**Wednesday** ~ **William Milam**, member of Westminster will speak about the Living Waters for the World project that teaches people to become trainers to build and operate systems to deliver clean water to communities and villages around the world.

**Preschool ~ 5th Grade**

The children will be exploring the Parable of the Sower and what the Bible story and creation care means for their everyday lives, and for all creation around the globe.

**Middle School youth will be assisting with the younger children.**

**High School youth will be helping with games.**