

The Order of Worship

August 19, 2012

10:00 A.M.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

PRELUDE Aria, Op. 51

Flor Peeters

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

MINUTE FOR MISSION

John Smartt

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Spirit of God calls us to worship.

People: In God's Spirit, we rejoice and give thanks.

Leader: The glory of God calls us to praise.

People: In God's glory, we meet the mysteries of the Holy.

Leader: The wisdom of God summons us to live with goodness and truth.

People: In God's wisdom, we find grace for living our lives.

Leader: The love of God calls us to service.

People: In God's love, we are filled with strength and peace.

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

People: At all times and for everything!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN** With Glad, Exuberant Carolings

Coronation

(See insert)

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

God of mercy and of grace,

you know the secrets of our hearts:

how blind we are to our own faults,

yet harsh in judging others;

how proud we are of our success,

yet grudging in praise of others.

In your tender care and unfailing love,

forgive our conformity to the world's ways.

By your transforming grace,

make us open to your wisdom and your ways. 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.

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

Joshua 24:14-18; Ephesians 5:15-20

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

JP Mackay

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

John 6:56-69

SERMON

"Where Would I Go?"

Rev. Dr. Thom Nelson

***HYMN NO. 339** (blue hymnal) Be Thou My Vision

Slane

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

Creed of the United Church of Canada (Reformed)

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and

others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's

presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist

evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life

beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to 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 How Lovely Thy Place Gail Kubik

Lord God of hosts, how lovely The place where Thou dost dwell! Thy tabernacles holy In pleasantness excel.

My soul is longing, fainting, Jehovah's courts to see, My heart and flesh are crying, O living God, for Thee.

Behold, the sparrow findeth A house in which to rest, The swallow hath discovered Where she may build her nest;

And where, securely sheltered, Her young she forth may bring: So, Lord of hosts, Thy altars I seek, my God, my King.

Psalm 84:1-3

Lasst uns erfreuen

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 335** (blue hymnal) Though I May Speak

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***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

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

Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Prelude and Fugue in d, BWV 554

J. S. Bach

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP here today.

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Cindy Spangler and Jack Woodall

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR AUGUST: Linda Rutherford

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

SERVING TODAY

GREETERS: Don and Sue Byerly

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Gary and Katherine Harmon, Kaitlyn Harmon and Leah Milam

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Summer Choir

LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP: Anne Dungan

SENIOR USHER: Gordon Greeson

USHERS: Bill Holt, LoAnn Price, Buz Johnson, John Johnson, Gordon Greeson

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Marlene Browning in memory of Larry.

GAIL KUBIK (1914-1984) was an American composer, violinist, and teacher. After his studies at the Eastman School of Music, the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago with Leo Sowerby, and Harvard with Walter Piston and Nadia Boulanger, he taught violin and composition at Monmouth College in Illinois and composition and music history at Columbia University. In 1940 he took a position with NBC Radio as staff arranger and composer and began composing for film. Two years later he became a music consultant for the Motion Picture Bureau at the Office of War Information. In 1944, while on a temporary duty assignment in England to finish the score for *Memphis Belle*, he wrote this morning's anthem.

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. in the SHOW room.

A STATED SESSION MEETING is next Sunday, August 26 at 11:15 a.m. in the McKinnon Room.

FISH LemonAid Stand

Sunday, August 26th

Save your pennies for WAMS' LemonAid Stand on August 26th after worship! The FISH Hospitality Pantry sets up Lemonade Stands during the month of August to raise money to operate their wonderful ministry. It's appropriate that WAMS will be running this fund raiser. The original LemonAid Stand was started by Damon Rodefer when he was 10 years old. Damon is 13 now, and his LemonAid Stands have raised tens of thousands of dollars to support FISH! LemonAid in the Schilling Gallery will look much the same on the 26th...just feel free to give a donation to benefit the FISH Hospitality Pantry! Thank you, WAMS, for your work supporting FISH!

Potluck and Gospel Singalong! - August 26 at 5 pm

- ❖ "Standing on the Promises," come celebrate the songs that both tell the story of our history as well as embrace the future of our church family.
- ❖ First, we will gather for an old fashioned potluck picnic on the Westminster courtyard lawn. Then we'll fill our hearts and souls with joy, singing new and old gospel hymns.
- ❖ **Please sign up** on the Schilling Gallery bulletin board or on the list posted on the church office window.

WESTMINSTER HABITAT BUILD: Please see the sheets in the Schilling gallery to sign up for work days at the Habitat build site. If you want to sign up by email contact Jay Schmid. All workers need to sign a Habitat release form before entering the work site and these are available in the office.

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 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.

The 2012-2013 Choir Schedule

- ❖ Boys' and Girls' Choirs (jointly): Wednesdays, 5:00–5:45, beginning August 29
- ❖ Brass Choir: TBA
- ❖ Chancel Choir: Wednesdays, 7:30/8:00–9:30, beginning August 15
- ❖ Handbell Choir: Thursdays, 7:00–8:00, beginning August 30
- ❖ Rainbow Choir: Saturdays, 11:00–11:30, beginning October 6
- ❖ Westminster Choristers: Sundays, 4:00–5:00, beginning August 26
- ❖ Young Musicians' Class: Saturdays, 11:45–12:15, beginning October 6
- ❖ Westminster Strings: TBA
- ❖ The Westminster Recorder Ensemble: Thursdays, 6:00–7:00, beginning August 23

THE WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB that was previously scheduled for August 21st will meet next on September 18th.