

ALL SAINTS CELEBRATION SUNDAY

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

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

PRELUDE Herzliebster Jesu

Johannes Brahms

Ah, Dearest Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 146

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

People: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

Leader: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

People: The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

Leader: The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

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)

Gracious God, in every age you have called people to live in faith. Forgive us when “the communion of saints” becomes merely a line in a creed, rather than a call to embody a life of justice and faithfulness. Forgive us when we do not follow Jesus’s way of compassion and mercy and peace. Forgive us for neglecting our role as stewards of all that you and those who have gone before have given us. Help us to live, love and give with the same generous spirit as our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*RESPONSE Take, O Take Me as I Am

John L. Bell

*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

Hebrews 9:11-14

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Kristi Gordon

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

Mark 12:28-34

SERMON

“Not Far From The Kingdom”

Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00)

Gary and Sandra Rowcliffe

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) Simple Gifts

Shaker song

arr. Aaron Copland

‘Tis the gift to be simple, ‘tis the gift to be free, ‘Tis the gift to come down where you ought to be, And when we find ourselves in the place just right, ‘Twill be in the valley of love and delight. When true simplicity is gained, To bow and to bend we shan’t be ashamed, To turn, turn will be our delight, Till by turning, turning we come round right.

Joseph Brackett

(11:00) O sacrum convivium! Olivier Messiaen
O sacrum convivium! in quo Christus sumitur: recolitur memoria passionis ejus: mens impletur gratia: et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur, alleluia.

O sacred banquet! in which Christ is received. Recalling the memory of his passion, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge is given of the glory to come, alleluia.

Antiphon to the Magnificat for the Second Vespers of Corpus Christi

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Hymn No. 428 (blue hymnal) We Give Thee but Thine Own
Schumann

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

*The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving will include a time of remembrance for
Jimmie Brown, Janelle Stueck, Ralph White.*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (responsive)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Prayer continues)...to the glory of your name.

SANCTUS NO. 553 (red hymnal) (11:00) John Merbecke

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.

(Prayer continues)...that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

AGNUS DEI NO. 555 (red hymnal) (11:00) John Merbecke

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE SACRAMENT

Seated and partaking of elements as instructed.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION (11:00) O wie selig seid ihr doch, ihr Frommen Johannes Brahms

Blessed Ye Who Live in Faith Unswerving

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Unison)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 526** (blue hymnal) For All the Saints

Sine Nomine

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** O Welt, ich muß dich lassen

Johann Gottfried Walther

O World, I Now Must Leave Thee

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP here today.

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Angela Partelow and Jack Woodall

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR NOVEMBER: Linda Rutherford

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

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Max Yates and Clara Oakes

SACRAMENTAL ASSISTANTS: 2013 Confirmation Class

GREETERS (11:00): Bud and Carolyn Cunningham

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Kirche Rogers, Caroline and Katie Rogers

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Boys' and Girls' Choirs

(11:00) Chancel Choir

SENIOR USHER: Tom Byerley

USHERS:

(9:00) Rob McKeehan and John Styron

(11:00) Mark Potocik, LoAnn Price, Rick Rawe, Janice Rawe, Scott Rutherford

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the ministers and lay ministers of Westminster Presbyterian Church, from Wes, Thalia, Ben and Abby Hatmaker.

TWO-CENTS-A-MEAL collection is today. 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 \$225. Your support is greatly appreciated!

NAME TAG SUNDAY is today. Please fill out a name tag in the Narthex.

FRENCH ORGANIST OLIVIER MESSIAEN was one of the most influential and daring composers of our era. A student of Paul Dukas, Charles-Marie Widor, and Marcel Dupré, he served as organist at the church of la Sainte-Trinité in Paris from 1931 until his death in 1992. His music, among the most distinctive of our time, is drawn from many sources of inspiration, including modes he invented, complex rhythms (he was interested in rhythms from Hindu and ancient Greek sources), serialism, and even Indonesian gamelan (an ensemble of tuned percussion). Many of his works depict what he termed "the marvelous aspects of the faith" (drawing on his Roman Catholic faith). Messiaen was fascinated by birdsong; he believed birds to be the greatest musicians and considered himself as much an ornithologist as a composer. He notated birdsongs worldwide and he incorporated transcriptions of them into many of his compositions. This morning's motet is one of a relatively few works for voice. Published in 1937, fairly early in his career, it is perhaps one of his most easily accessible pieces, skillfully balancing lush with more exotic harmonies and managing to create a gentle and natural rhythmic flow in the absence of a regular meter.

THE ART GUILD is excited to present an exhibit of icons which will be on view in the Schilling Gallery through December. Featured on the walls are paintings by local artist Clorinda Bell, and in the glass cases are a selection of Greek and Russian icons on loan from St. George Greek Orthodox Church.

PRE-ORDERS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY CHRISTMAS CARDS will be taken this morning in the Schilling Gallery following the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. worship services.

WAMS meets at WPC this evening at 5:00. We will carpool to 4 homes for a Progressive Dinner. Our hosts for the evening are Cindy Spangler, Andrew and Kristi Gordon, Carl and Julia Whipple, and Stephanie Lynch-Wright.

BLT: Bible/Lunch/Tuesdays
November 6 - Noon

The Tuesday study group led by Dr. Phillips continues this week with a look at Romans 9:1-11:36 and Unit 8 of the study guide. You are invited to bring your lunch and join us for this informal and informing study.

FISH delivery is Thursday, November 8. If you are able to help make deliveries, please contact Nancy Cundall. The number of families receiving bags of groceries is dependent on the number of Westminster volunteers. **YOU are needed!**

WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER

November 7

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

This week's dinner is chicken enchiladas, beans, rice and banana pudding.

Donations are welcome to offset the cost of the meal.

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

- There is a nursery for infants through age 4 and programs for K through 5th grade.

- In the Fellowship Hall, Kristi Gordon, PhD will present a program entitled, "Relationship Rx." As part of her program, Kristi will address such questions as:

- 1) What can you do to keep your relationship healthy?

- 2) What do you get with a relationship check-up?

- 3) What are the benefits of a healthy relationship?

- Bible Survey Class - Downstairs Fellowship Hall

This group will continue its study of the book, *The Mighty Acts of God*. We will examine Chapter 7, "The House of David." Fritz Schilling will teach the class this week.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST: On Thursday, November 8, at 7:00 a.m. we will meet in the McKinnon Room for breakfast prepared by Don Byerly and a short discussion-oriented lesson led by John Smartt. If you want to review the lesson ahead of time, just ask Renee to email you the lesson or you can pick up a copy in the church office. Everyone is welcome. Come join us and bring a friend.

KNOXVILLE HABITAT will have its Board of Directors Blitz on Friday, November 16, beginning at 7:30 a.m. You are invited to join in and help. Please contact John Smartt at 584-7828 or johnsmarttcpa@yahoo.com for more information.

LADIES' LUNCH BUNCH: The next Lunch Bunch gathering will be Thursday, November 15th. We will be meeting at Sullivan's at Rocky Hill at 11:30 a.m. We meet in the upper area so it's easy to visit and talk since we are often the only ones in that area. Please let Georgann Byerley know if you are planning to come by. We hope to see lots of you there!

THE WAMS RETREAT AT JOHN KNOX is November 9-11. More details will be coming from Barbara this week!

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is Tuesday, November 13. The Property ministry team will provide refreshments.

Art Auction

Thursday, November 8

First Farragut United Methodist Church

12733 Kingston Pike

Family Promise of Knoxville is proud to host a special benefit auction featuring over 200 pieces of fantastic art and early framed documents. The preview begins at 5:30, followed by a live auction at 6:30. For more information, call 584-2822 or email

jshoudy@familypromiseknoxville.org. Please see the Family Promise website at www.familypromiseknoxville.org for a list of items that will be available.



THE FALL WORKDAY is scheduled for November 17 from 8:00 until noon. There are numerous and diverse jobs for all, both inside and outside. Put on your old clothes and bring your favorite tools to help us clean, weed, plant, haul, saw, mulch, trim, cut, rake, paint, and various other tasks. You bring the energy and spirit, and we'll provide the jobs and leadership (and coffee and donuts).

Advent Sunday School Teachers Needed

Have you ever wanted to try your hand at teaching adult Sunday school? Well, now is your chance. Starting on November 25 we will offer a four-part Advent series entitled "Advent through the Eyes of Those Who Waited." The series spotlights the Hebrew prophets, John the Baptist, Mary, and Elizabeth. Each week we will read scripture and then try to view the season of Advent through the eyes of those who waited for the Messiah. Sound good?

We just need you to volunteer to lead/facilitate one of the four lessons in November and December. We will make it easy for you by providing a teacher's guide and we will promise to participate in the class like good students should. To sign up for November 24, December 2, 9, or 16, just call Tim Crais at church or at home or email him at timcrais@gmail.com.

Celebrate the Stillness of Advent

During Advent we will be offering a time to be still and feel God's presence during this wonderful season of waiting for Christ's birth. We will meet on Wednesday evenings in the Prayer Room from 6:30-8:00 p.m. starting November 28th for four weeks, ending December 19th. Each week will be based on readings from *Watch for the Light: Readings for Advent & Christmas*. It is an anthology including C.S. Lewis, Thomas Merton, Henri Nouwen, Philip Yancey, Annie Dillard, Dietrich Bonhoeffer and others. It offers wisdom, beauty and spiritual nourishment from a wide spectrum of classic and contemporary writers. This little book provides subtle and beautiful reflections on the true meaning of the season and will give new dimension to the phrase, "holiday preparations." Please join us, everyone is welcome. Books will be available in the church office, but you don't have to read or prepare. Just come enjoy the community and peaceful time.