



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

April 21, 2013
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 Elms (from *Views from the Oldest House*) Ned Rorem

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) Wordless Song Within the Waters Alfred V. Fedak

Wordless song within the waters, whales draw breath and dive and sing. Hymns no human tongue can offer set the ocean echoing. Wordless singers wake our wonder; what can human voices bring? We will offer words for praising God, the Maker of all things.

Wordless song within the forest, wolves are howling in the night, haunting sounds outside the circle cast for us by campfire light: wordless singers, like the Spirit, on whose pleading we rely; let us dare to name the yearning in the Spirit’s wordless cry.

Wordless song in early morning, songbirds sing as day draws near. Carols calling out their presence please the waking human ear. Wordless singers claim their places with a flag of song unfurled. We will sing the name of Jesus, word of joy that claims the world.

Richard Leach, 1994

Boys’ and Girls’ Choirs
Trebles of the Westminster Choristers

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 23 (King James Version)

Leader: 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.

People: He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name’s sake.

Leader: 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.

People: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

People: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 473** (blue hymnal) For the Beauty of the Earth Dix

***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 based on whims, and often listen to the wrong voices. 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, gracious God, and in the name of Christ our Savior, restore our souls. 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** Celtic Alleluia (*sing twice*) Fintan O’Carroll

TO EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING Revelation 7:9-17

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Lisa Oros

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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00) Anne Lowry Hardin

SCRIPTURE READING John 10:22-30

SERMON “The Voice” Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

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

***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.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00) John and Trish Turner

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) Wordless Song Within the Waters Alfred V. Fedak

(The text is found at the Introit.)

(11:00) Arise, My Love, My Fair One Gerald Near

Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away. For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone, the time of the singing of birds is come. Alleluia.

based on Song of Solomon 2:10-12

***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** (11:00) The Earth Is the Lord’s St. Denio

(See insert)

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (11:00)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Christ lag in Todesbanden

Heinrich Bach

Christ Lay in Death’s Strong Bonds

*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 Rick Oakes

CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR APRIL: Sue Byerly and Judy Jorden

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

PLEASE place your bulletin into a blue recycling bin located at the Narthex door if you do not care to take it home.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Ben Hatmaker and Max Yates

GREETERS (11:00): Tom and Georgann Byerley

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

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

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Boys' and Girls' Choirs and Trebles of the Westminster Choristers

(11:00) Boys', Chancel, and Girls' Choirs and Trebles of the Westminster Choristers

SENIOR USHER: Bill Holt

USHERS:

(9:00) Brenda Seip and Cile Mathews

(11:00) Sue Caradine, Jerry and Scott Carley, Linda Crawford, Jim Boyd

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Marty Pryor in honor of Earth Day and in memory of Jim.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called by Session today at the conclusion of the 11:00 a.m. worship service for the purpose of hearing a report from the Nominating Committee and electing elders for the class of 2016, one youth elder for the class of 2014, and one trustee for the class of 2016.

The slate of nominees is:

Elder, Class of 2016: Jerry Faerber, Scott Porter, Mary Boyd, Vicki Mayfield, Elizabeth Ridley.

Tim Ryan will extend his term one year to fill a vacancy in the class of 2014.

Youth Elder, Class of 2014: Will Bandy

Trustee, Class of 2016: John Smartt

MUCH OF THIS MORNING'S MUSIC acknowledges the secular holiday we celebrate tomorrow, Earth Day. With the texts set in our anthems we celebrate all of God's creation.

A STATED SESSION MEETING is today at 12:15 p.m. in the McKinnon Room.

WAMS AND SHOW will have separate activities this week:

WAMS will meet at 5:00 for a bit of volleyball and dinner. At 5:30, we'll attend the third of our four Sexual Integrity classes. Class ends at 7:00 pm.

SHOW will meet after Choristers, and head west for some (post-Masters) mini golf and Pizza Hut. We'll first grab some dinner at the Farragut Pizza Hut (10402 Kingston Pike). Then, we'll go to Putt Putt for a great round of mini golf! Bring about \$10 for golf and games. We'll provide dinner.

HOUSE BLESSING: Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Presbyterian Campus Ministry at the UT Presbyterian Center (PCUSA) campus house (1831 Melrose Avenue) **today at 6:00 p.m.** Come join in the fellowship, prayer, and worship as we dedicate this ministry to the Lord. Finger food will be provided.

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Everywhere Fun Fair VBS Registration

June 3rd - June 6th

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Please fill out this form and place it in the offering plate. We will send a complete registration form to you by email, or you may fill out the form at the display in the Schilling Gallery.

Child's Name:_____

Parent/Guardian Name (s):_____

Email Address:_____

Child's age/grade:_____ Birth date:_____

Adult Sunday School

Parenting (Library)

Parenting with Love and Logic by Foster Cline and Jim Fay

Faith and Life (McKinnon Room)

Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life by Karen Armstrong

Bible Study (Prayer Room)

A study of the books of 1st and 2nd Timothy

Current Topics (Fellowship Hall)

How to Raise Your Adult Children by Gail Parent and Susan Ende - "Marriage"

All Church Picnic

Sunday, April 28

Noon - 2:00 p.m.

A trolley will run continuously throughout the luncheon to shuttle attendees to and from the home of Betty and Leonard McKeehan. The cost is \$7 per person, with a maximum of \$20 per family. Please **RSVP by April 24** on the sign-up sheet in the Shilling Gallery or by calling the church office. Our menu includes chicken tenders, cole slaw, chips, fruit and veggie trays, rolls, cake and beverages.

Come help us honor the Confirmation Class of 2013, their mentors, and our graduating high school seniors!

THE ABBEY DEADLINE is Wednesday. Please send your announcements and articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST: On Thursday, April 25 at 7:00 a.m. we will meet in the McKinnon Room for a breakfast prepared by Gordon Greeson and a lesson prepared by Buz Johnson. If you want to review the lesson ahead of time, just ask the church office to email you the lesson or you can pick up a hard copy in the office. Everyone is welcome. Come join us and bring a friend.

AVAILABLE DATES for flower dedications for this year are: May 5, June 23, July 7 and 14, August 18 and 25, October 6, November 24 and December 29. Sign-ups are on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery. The cost is \$60, payable at the time of the dedication.

DRIVER SAFETY COURSE FOR SENIORS: The AARP Driver Safety Course will be offered at Westminster on May 4th from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. This classroom course is designed for people age 50 and older and enables drivers to refresh their driving skills and understand how to adjust to age-related challenges. The cost for this course is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for nonmembers. Upon completion of this course, participants over the age of 55 may be eligible for a discount on their automobile insurance. To register for this course, please contact Paul Johnson at 690-9423.