



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

June 16, 2013

10:00 A.M.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshipping here with the goal of connecting faith and life. If you are a visitor, we pray you will feel welcome and blessed by our worship. We invite you to consider making Westminster your church home. Please let us have your contact information so we may be in touch.

Children are welcome in worship here. A nursery is available during the entire service.

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

PRELUDE Es spricht der Unweisen Mund wohl Johann Michael Bach
The Fool Says in His Heart, “There Is No God.” (Psalm 14)

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Anna Rennich, liturgist

Leader: We have gathered to affirm that life is a gift.

People: We are gathered to renew our hope in Jesus Christ and to affirm our trust in God’s love in the future.

Leader: Let us praise God with our hearts and minds, placing our lives in God’s care.

People: Let us offer to God our prayers and sing a song of praise.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

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

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Holy God of infinite love and mercy,
We your people stand before you confessing what you already know
And what we need to admit to ourselves;
The many experiences of loss in our lives are too painful for us to bear alone.
We are tempted to hide, deny, or hang on out of fear,
Rather than let go out of faith and trust in your love
and abiding power and presence.
Forgive us, O God, and be with us when we are timid or fearful
or ungrateful for your many gifts of grace.

*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 ...

READING FROM HEBREW HISTORY Deuteronomy 6:1-9

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Amy Rawe

Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children’s Worship.

GOSPEL John 4:46-54

SERMON Rev. John Linton Muntz

“Some Things My Father Taught Me”

“Hear, my child, and accept my words, that the years of your life may be many...I have led you into the paths of righteousness.” – Proverbs 4:10-11

*HYMN NO. 323 (blue hymnal) Loving Spirit Omni die

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) From the Iona Community of Scotland

We believe in God, whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom. Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and, in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth and to share the commonwealth of God’s goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the spirit of love, and in the company of the faithful so to be the church, for the glory of God. Amen.

ORDINATION and INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS

Mary Boyd, Jerry Faerber, Vicki Mayfield, Scott Porter, Elizabeth Ridley

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.

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 Min sjel og ånd, oppmuntre deg Trond Kverno

My Soul and Spirit, Take Cheer

(from Tabulatura Nova)

*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. 275 (blue hymnal) God of Our Life Sandon

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody

POSTLUDE Toccata or Prelude on the First Tone Matthias Weckmann

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Angela Partelow and Rick Oakes

CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR JUNE: Lucy Johnson and Shirley Wittman

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

GREETERS: Tim and Anne Crais

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP: John and Lalla Phillips, Ben Hatmaker and Max Yates

LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP: Bill and Eileen Rudd

SENIOR USHER: Tom Byerley

USHERS: John and Kathy Shilling, John Styron, Joe Ben Turner, Genet Weber

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Scott and Jerry Carley to the glory of God and in memory of C.T. Carley, Sr. and Dan S. Davis.

MATTHIAS WECKMANN (1621-1674) served as organist of the Jacobikirche in Hamburg, following a number of years spent with Heinrich Schütz at the court in Dresden. This morning’s toccata is wonderfully imaginative in its rhythmic and harmonic complexity. We hear the improvisatory North German style juxtaposing toccata-like figuration with brief passages of counterpoint or imitation between voices. It is quite amazing how much content and variety he is able to include in such a short work! Though nearly entirely notated, the music sounds completely improvised and spontaneous.

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 narthex for one of these dates:

- Wednesday, June 19, 5:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 26, 5:00 p.m.

WOMEN’S BOOK CLUB: The Women’s Book Club will meet Tuesday, June 18th at 10:30 a.m. in the library. Carlene Robinson will lead a discussion of *The Round House* by Louise Erdrich.

THE LADIES’ LUNCH BUNCH: Make your reservation now for a fun and delicious adventure set for Thursday, June 20th at 11:30 at Lulu’s Tea Room, the number one ranked restaurant (out of 29) in Powell, Tennessee. Parking is limited, so carpooling is encouraged. Please RSVP to Brenda Seip.

EXPLORING THE LABYRINTH: You are invited to join Marty Pryor for a quiet and directed walk of our labyrinth on Sunday, June 23 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Marty will provide information regarding the history and experience of walking the labyrinth. Please sign up in the Schilling Gallery, or by calling the church office.

A STATED SESSION MEETING is Sunday, June 23 at 11:15 a.m. in the McKinnon Room.

TRIFLE SALE: On June 23 and July 14, the Family Promise team will be selling chocolate and strawberry trifles in the Schilling Gallery after worship. All proceeds will go to Family Promise. Family Promise is an organization that works to help families find jobs and affordable housing. There are 16 “host” churches and at least twice that many churches who volunteer on a rotating basis to house and feed families while they try to put their lives back together. They are supported by a social worker who meets with them daily, and are required to attend classes on budgeting, nutrition and parenting. The program is only big enough to have 3 or 4 families at a time, and they are trying to expand so that they can help double that amount. Every dollar we raise will help them toward that goal. Our Westminster Family Promise team will be helping host families at Ball Camp Baptist Church, June 16-22. Please keep the Family Promise hosts and families in your prayers.

FOYER GROUPS will shuffle this summer as we form new groups for the Fall. Please see the article in the June 5th *Abbey* for details. For more information or to join a Foyer Group, contact Shirley Wittman. Current Foyer members will remain in the rotation unless we hear from you. Foyer Groups provide a great opportunity for relaxing fellowship and the opportunity to become better acquainted with others in the Westminster family.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: We have begun planning for a new church photo directory. Be on the lookout for more information in the next few weeks.

Operation Backyard

Our youth are looking forward to working with Operation Backyard again this year. We expect to have about 35 Westminster youth and adults participating. Volunteers from Westminster will deliver lunch to our youth at their work site each day, July 8-12. We have a basket in the Schilling Gallery, where donations are being taken for chips, cookies, crackers or other snacks to supplement our lunches. If you’d like to help with lunch preparation or delivery, please contact Mary Boyd or Stephanie Lynch-Wright. Operation Backyard provides free home repair services for low-income homeowners. The homeowners receive much-needed repairs, and our youth have the opportunity to make a real difference in our community. Thank you for your prayers and support!

ART EXHIBIT: Paula Smartt’s art exhibit in the Schilling Gallery will conclude at the end of June. Please take time to view these gorgeous photographs! Paula is designating ALL proceeds from sales to be donated to the Sanctuary’s Window Fund. A price list is available in the church office.

PLEASE VISIT the Bounty Table in the Schilling Gallery following worship. Proceeds from the sale of our garden’s produce support Family Promise – a nonprofit network of interfaith organizations working together to end homelessness, one family at a time.

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“Spirituality is an emotion. Religion is an obligation. Spirituality soothes. Religion mobilizes. Spirituality is satisfied with itself. Religion is dissatisfied with the world. Religions create aid organizations. . . (T)he largest U.S.-based international relief and development organization is. . .World Vision, a Seattle-based Christian group.”
 – Rabbi David Wolpe on being “spiritual but not religious”
 (Time.com, March 21)

THE SESSION		
Class of 2014	Class of 2015	Class of 2016
Terry Crow	Ellen Anderson	Mary Boyd
Angela Partelow	Jean Bonnyman	Jerry Faerber
Tim Ryan	Hap McSween	Vicki Mayfield
Cindy Spangler	Rick Oakes	Scott Porter
Bill Wiesehuegel	Jack Woodall	Elizabeth Ridley
Youth Elder: Will Bendy		
Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley		
	TRUSTEES	
Norman McRae	Joe Ben Turner	John Smartt