



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

May 11, 2014
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshiping 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 Rhosymedre (Lovely) Ralph Vaughan Williams
 (from *Three Preludes Founded on Welsh Hymn Tunes*)

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT Cover Me With the Night Andrea Ramsey
 Come, Lord! Come, Lord, and cover me with the night. Spread your grace over us, when the night is cold and dark. Your promises are more than the stars in the sky. Your mercy is deeper than the night.

Come, Lord! Come, Lord, and cover me with the night. Lord, we wait for you.
Traditional prayer from Ghana
 The Men of the Westminster Choristers
 Robert Adamcik, Congas

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 John 10:1-10
MOTET O How Sweet, O Lord Healey Willan
 O how sweet, O Lord, is Thy Spirit; for Thou hast shown Thy sweetness unto Thy children: Thou hast given them most wondrous Bread from Heav’n: Thou fillest the hungry with good things, and the rich Thou sendest empty away.

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Carolyn Greenwood
Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs for Children’s Worship.

SCRIPTURE READING I Peter 2:18-25
SERMON “In His Steps” 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.

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 mail, your holding and passing the offering plate is an act of blessing and dedication to our life together in Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Save the People (from *Godspell*) Stephen Schwartz
 When wilt thou save the people Oh, God of mercy when? Not kings and lords but nations, Not thrones and crowns, but men? Flowers of thy heart, Oh, God, are they, let them not pass like weeds away, their heritage a sunless day. God save the people.

Shall crime bring crime forever Strength aiding still the strong? Is it thy will, oh Father, that man shall toil for wrong? No, say thy mountains, No, say thy skies, man’s clouded sun shall brightly rise, and songs be heard instead of sighs. God save the people.

When wilt thou save the people Oh, God of mercy when? The people, Lord, the people Not thrones and crowns, but men? God save the people For thine they are, thy children, as thy angels fair, Oh, save the people from despair. God save the people.

Stephen Schwartz

JP Mackay, Acoustic Guitar
 Buran Phillips, Electric Guitar
 Robert Adamcik, Drums
 Peter Van Eenam, Piano

***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 ...

***SPECIAL MOTHER’S DAY MUSIC** (11:00)
***CHARGE AND BEDICTION**
***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586** (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody
 Jean Langlais

***POSTLUDE** Prélude (from *Suite Médiévale*)

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS
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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Ellen Anderson and Rick Oakes
CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR MAY: 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

ACOLYTES (11:00): Owen Salsbery and Clara Oakes

GREETERS (11:00): Tim and Anne Crais

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Mike and Christie Wilson, Maggie Gordon and Caroline Rogers

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Westminster Choristers

(11:00) Members of the Chancel Choir and Westminster Choristers

SENIOR USHER: Reed Ellis

USHERS:

(9:00) John Styron and Genet Weber

(11:00) Irene Seidner, John and Kathy Shilling, Joe Ben Turner, Sue Caradine

Children are always welcome in our worship services! A nursery for newborns up to 5 years of age is provided in the Children’s education wing by trained, caring staff each week as a part of our ministry to children and their families. Please ask a greeter or usher for assistance.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by the Rob McKeehan family in memory of Mary McKeehan and in honor of those who cared for her.

THE BIRTH CANDLE is lit today to celebrate the birth of Addilyn Rose Taylor, daughter of Rachel and Chris Taylor. Addie was born May 5th. Congratulations to Rachel and Chris, big sister, Brooke and grandparents, Jay and Debbie Schmid.

OUR THANKS to Bob Adamcik, Karl Hammond, John Harrison, Steve Hoadley, John Johnson, JP Mackay, Terrance McCracken, and Buran Phillips for their enrichment of our worship this morning.

THIS MORNING’S INTROIT was written for the 30th anniversary of the founding of The St. Louis Children’s Choir, which happens to rehearse just a couple miles from where I grew up. It is dedicated to the Young Men’s Ensemble. What a pleasure it has been to sing this with our young men from Choristers and to have the privilege of having the personnel resources to share this! We hope you enjoy!

Peter Van Eenam

THE CONGREGATION IS CORDIALLY INVITED to attend a choral concert by the Bowling Green State University Collegiate Chorale **this Saturday evening, May 17, at 7:30, in the sanctuary at Westminster.** This outstanding 30-voice group is the top of five choirs in the music school at the university and we are privileged to host them. Their concert program features sacred and secular music including motets by Schütz, Purcell, Bach, and Gjeilo, Jennings’ *The Lord is the Everlasting God*, Debussy’s *Trois chansons de Charles d’Orleans*, Liebeslieder by Brahms, folksongs, and vocal jazz. **We are still needing help from the congregation and friends of Westminster in providing lodging for Saturday night and breakfast the following morning before the choir departs.** We have appreciated our congregation’s generous help with this in the past and would welcome any assistance that can be offered this time. Please contact Renee, Sandra, or me if you would like to host. Thank you for considering it.
Peter Van Eenam

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is Tuesday, May 13th. The Congregational Care team will provide refreshments.

THE LADIES’ LUNCH BUNCH will meet Thursday, May 15th at 11:30 a.m. at Cazzy’s Corner Grill. Cazzy’s is located at 2099 Thunderhead Road. From the Northshore Drive and Pellissippi Parkway interchange, drive west on Northshore. Thunderhead Road is the second street on the right. Please RSVP to Barbara Cline by Tuesday, May 13th.

Reception for Tim Crais

There will be a retirement reception for Tim Crais after the second service on May 18th in the Schilling Gallery. Please come and enjoy refreshments as we celebrate this milestone with Tim. Tim has served the church over many decades in various volunteer capacities. Most recently, Tim has held the position of Interim Education Coordinator since August, 2012. Tim has done a fabulous job providing leadership, planning, and administering the Christian education programs and activities for college age and older adults. We love and appreciate you, Tim.

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Workshop of Wonders VBS

June 2nd - June 5th

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

*Please place this form in the offering plate and we will send a registration form by email, or you may register at the display in the Schilling Gallery.

Child’s Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Email Address: _____

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

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Tim Crais, Interim Education Coordinator

Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Sandra Williams, Administrative Assistant

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Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

Adult Sunday School	
Table Talk	Library
“Animate Faith”	
Bible Study	McKinnon Room
“The Book of Genesis”	
Faith and Life	Fellowship Hall
“Prophets - Ancient and Modern Day”	

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