



The Order of Worship

**March 29, 2015
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

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 Chorale and Variation VII J. S. Bach
(from the chorale partita on *Sei gegrüßet, Jesu gütig*, BWV 768)
Hail, Kind Jesus

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 118

Leader: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

People: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good; the steadfast love of God endures forever.

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD; The LORD is God, and has given us light.

People: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good; the steadfast love of God endures forever.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 155** (red hymnal) All Glory, Laud, and Honor St. Theodulph

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Merciful God, we humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Often our faith is as fickle as the crowds of people around Jesus who shouted "Hosanna in the Highest" one moment and "Crucify him" the next. Have mercy on us, O God. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Amen.

***KYRIE ELEISON** John L. Bell
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 Of the Father's Love Begotten *Divinum mysterium*

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING John 12:12-16

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Barbara Adamcik

Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in

Children's Worship.

SCRIPTURE READING Selected verses from Mark 15

SERMON Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

"Mind Your Own Biscuits And Life Will Be Gravy"

–Kacey Musgraves

***HYMN NO. 101** (blue hymnal) When I Survey the Wondrous Cross *Hamburg*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God; preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world.

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 ANTHEM Sanctus (from the *Requiem*) Gabriel Fauré

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Isaiah 6:3

Helen Bryenton, Violin

Barbara Adamcik, Horn

Robert Ingram and Carl Whipple, Trombone

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 591 (blue hymnal) *Tallis' Canon*

(Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 542 (blue hymnal))

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 89** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Hosanna, Loud Hosanna *Ellacombe*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter C. Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord lift His countenance upon you and give you peace. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. Amen.

Numbers 6:24-26

***POSTLUDE** Variation XI (from *Sei gegrüßet, Jesu gütig*)

J. S. Bach

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Jean Bonnyman and Hap McSween

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR MARCH: Sue Byerly

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from 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): Griffen Oros and Abby Hatmaker

GREETERS (11:00): Angela Shilling and Sam Smith

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Katherine Harmon, Meghan Oros and Lucy Gordon

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Chancel Choir and Westminster Choristers

SENIOR USHER: Larry Ridley

USHERS:

(9:00) Cile Mathews and Stephanie Lynch-Wright

(11:00) Rick and Janice Rawe, Scott Rutherford, Ashley and Scott Porter

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Ginger Elting in loving memory of her husband and Lisa Ellis' Dad, Bill Elting.

OUR THANKS to Barbara Adamcik, Helen Bryenton, Robert Ingram, and Carl Whipple for their enrichment of our worship this morning as they accompany the offertory anthem. Fauré masterfully achieves profound beauty with an economy of material: the initial melody is comprised of just four notes and he writes in a simple and sublime two-part vocal texture with an ethereal violin countermelody that recurs with each of the men's phrases. Every detail is subtle: the color of muted violin, a mysterious "tension" underlying the harmonic inflection of the choral lines, even the shapes of the lines. Fauré gradually lengthens the phrases and moves towards a most glorious and majestic climax, including the brass, playing a powerful yet simple motive, before ending the work with the choir in warm six-part chords and violin reaching towards the heavens.

Peter Van Eenam

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

YOUTH TONIGHT: WAMS (middle school + 5th grade) will be meeting here from 5-7:30 to enjoy pizza and a movie! SHOW (high school + 8th grade) will meet here 5-7:30 and having their own Progressive Dinner. They will drive up Lyons Bend and be hosted by the Davermans (apps), Carol Beilharz (main course), and McRaes (dessert!) Thank you, Westminster friends!

24-HOUR FAMINE: The youth are having an extraordinary lock-in next Thursday and Friday. They will still watch movies, play games, and even play some frisbee golf but they will not be eating. Instead, they are taking pledges for every hour they don't eat, raising money for a STOP HUNGER NOW project. Want to sign up or contribute? Look for a pledge sheet on Barbara's door or table in the narthex.

Wednesday Evening Lenten Series

Our series concludes this week. Join us at 5:45 p.m. for a simple meal of soup and bread, followed by a service of evening prayers in the sanctuary. This reflective time focuses on scripture, song and prayer as we prepare ourselves for Easter. The theme for our Lenten worship this year is, "For God So Loved the World."

SPRING WORKDAY AT WESTMINSTER

Help us give WPC a good Spring cleaning.

Come join us for part or all of this workday as we spruce up the church building and grounds.

Saturday, April 11 from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon

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 for any part of the time; we'll provide the jobs and leadership
(and coffee and donuts)

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called by Session on Sunday, April 12 at the conclusion of the 11:00 a.m. worship service for the purpose of hearing a report from the Nominating Committee and electing five elders for the class of 2018, one youth elder for the class of 2016, and one trustee for the class of 2018.

Holy Week Schedule

Wednesday, April 1	5:45 p.m.	Lenten Series
Thursday, April 2	8:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
Easter Sunday, April 5	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

SAFER DRIVING CAN SAVE YOU MONEY. Take the AARP Smart Driver Course and you could reduce your overall maintenance and car insurance costs. Refresh your driving skills and know new rules of the road. Learn research-based driving strategies to help you stay safe behind the wheel. Plus, there are no tests to pass. This course will be held on Saturday, April 25 from 9am-5pm in the McKinnon Room. Cost is \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for others. Contact Paul Johnson at 675-0694 to register or for more information.

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Angela Grobe, Director of Children's Ministries

Mary Boyd, Education Coordinator

Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Sandra Williams, Administrative Assistant

Rev. Friedrich Schilling, Jr., Pastor Emeritus

Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

WPC GARDEN GUILD NEEDS ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS

* Do you like fresh air and the beauty of plants and flowers?

* Do you enjoy the fellowship of other WPC folks? THEN

We have a wonderful opportunity for you!

The WPC Garden Guild maintains the various gardens and paths around the WPC campus and we need some additional "gardeners" to aid those of us already involved. We work in small teams with assigned plots or paths so the workload is spread over many hands and does not become overwhelming. The hours are flexible.

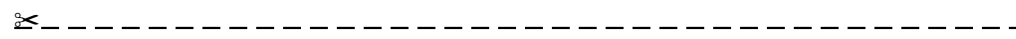
As a Garden Guild Volunteer, you gain:

* A sense of accomplishment * Fellowship with team members and guild members

* The joy of being part of the beauty of WPC's grounds

* Freedom from worry about being pushed into a higher income bracket

Please consider joining us and being a part of the Garden Guild. Contact Tom Byerley to join this group.



EASTER FLOWERS

Please help the Flower Guild as they adorn the sanctuary in celebration of Easter. Checks of any amount are welcome and can be made payable to Westminster Flower Guild in honor or memory of loved ones. These names will be included in the Easter Sunday bulletin and *Abbey*. Following the 11:00 Easter worship service, you will be welcome to take stems from the chancel table arrangement to take to those who are unable to attend worship. Bud vases will be available in the flower closet. Thank you for your support.

Donation of \$ _____

given in (please circle your choice) honor/memory of:

Given by: _____

SCHILLING GALLERY EXHIBIT: Please be sure and check out the current exhibit in the Schilling Gallery, which will run through April 26.

Marilyn Turner Avery creates colorful monoprints, many of which are based on the ancient Aztec and Mayan cultures of Mexico. She has been working with archetypal ideas and patterns for the past twenty years. Her work is both colorful and complex and may evoke memories of another time.

Coral Grace Turner exhibits her very contemporary and colorful needlepoint pillows in the display cases. One case exhibits pillows that use pictograms of hands that allude to certain messages while the other case exhibits pillows that portray animal shadow puppets. She uses the pillow form as a canvas to communicate with the user/viewer. The artists are mother and daughter.

THE SESSION

Class of 2015: Ellen Anderson, Jean Bonnyman, Hap McSween, Rick Oakes, Jack Woodall, Youth Elder - Lily Seidner

Class of 2016: Jerry Faerber, Vicki Mayfield, Scott Porter, Elizabeth Ridley, Angela Shilling

Class of 2017: Phil Barnette, Bitsy Ingram, William Milam, Bryan Powell, Brenda Seip

Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley

TRUSTEES: Leonard McKeehan, John Smartt, Larry Ridley