



The Order of Worship October 4, 2015
11:00 A.M.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

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. Any who are baptized are invited to receive the elements of the Lord's Supper.

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

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRELUDE Nimrod Edward Elgar
(from *Variations on an Original Theme ("Enigma")*, Op. 36)
Westminster Strings

CALL TO WORSHIP Mission Statement 1965-2010

Leader: The Westminster congregation is called by God to embody and carry the Good News of God's grace to our world.

People: We welcome and offer companionship to all who would join us on our journey of faith as pilgrims in process.

New Vision Statement 2010

Leader: We seek to follow Christ in an open and inclusive community of faith,

People: Where God's transforming love for all Creation is celebrated through Worship, Discipleship and Service.

Leader: Let us worship God in this place where faith and life connect!

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)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

***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 Deuteronomy 34:1-5; Matthew 25:31-40

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Jean Bonnyman

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

ANTHEM The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune Ralph Vaughan Williams

(The congregation is invited to rise and join the choirs in singing verses 1, 2, and 5.)

1. All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, Come ye before him, and rejoice.
2. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, Without our aid he did us make; We are his folk, he doth us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.
3. O enter then his gates with praise, Approach with joy his courts unto; Praise, laud, and bless his name always, For it is seemly so to do.
4. For why? the Lord our God is good: His mercy is for ever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood, And shall from age to age endure.
5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, The God whom heaven and earth adore, From men and from the angel-host Be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

Alumni Choir
Chancel Choir
Brass Choir
Westminster Strings
Eileen Rudd, Organ

SCRIPTURE READING Haggai 2:1-9

SERMON "The Good Ole' Days" Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

***HYMN NO. 442** (blue hymnal) The Church's One Foundation *Aurelia*

***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.

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 Dona nobis pacem Edward Rader

(from *Mass for World Peace*)

Dona nobis pacem. *Grant us peace.*

attr. John the Baptist

Boys', Chancel, and Girls' Choirs
Westminster Choristers
Brass Choir
Westminster Strings
Robert Adamcik, Percussion
Joanne Bendy, Flute
Margaret Harrison, Piano

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology *Lasst uns erfreuen*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

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) 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)...Great is the mystery of faith.

AGNUS DEI NO. 555 (red hymnal) 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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE SACRAMENT

Seated and partaking of elements as instructed.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION

Communion in e, Op. 39, No. 5 Alexandre Guilmant
Chant de Paix Jean Langlais

Song of Peace

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***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** Intrade (from *Three Pieces*) Johann Pezel
Pavan-Almand (from *Music for King Charles II*) Matthew Locke
Brass Choir

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Angela Shilling and Michael Yates
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR OCTOBER: Linda Rutherford
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

GREETERS: Norman and Lisa Hammitt

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: John and Lalla Phillips and Nursery Staff

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Alumni, Boys', Brass, Chancel, Girls', and Handbell Choirs;
Westminster Choristers; and Westminster Strings

SENIOR USHER: Tim Ryan

USHERS: Andrew and Kristi Gordon, Scott and Jerry Carley, Paul and Judy Jordan

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Thomas and Kathie Tallant in
memory of Mary McKeenan on the occasion of her birthday.

THE PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING will be collected today. Part of
this year's offering will be used to support Syrians displaced by violence. Thank you
for your support for this special offering. Our regular Two-Cents-a-Meal Offering
will be collected next Sunday.

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

MASS FOR WORLD PEACE was composed by Westminster's Edward Rader, for
many years a leading tenor in the Chancel Choir and an enthusiastic catalyst for the
early years of the music program. A visionary, he was the initial and primary
creative force in the organizing of the *Leaves of Peace Knoxville Interfaith Peace
Symposium* in 1989. The Reverend William Sloane Coffin, Jr. was the keynote speaker
(thanks to Fritz Schilling's personal connection from their time together at Yale
University) and the closing concert featured *Mass for World Peace*, performed by the
Boys' and Chancel Choirs and orchestra. Particularly moving is the final movement,
Dona nobis pacem, with its elegant melody and timeless plea for world peace.

THIS MORNING'S PRELUDE, originally scored for full orchestra, was arranged for
string quartet by Gerald Manning. The handbell introduction to the opening hymn
was written by Peter Van Eenam and the free accompaniment for the second verse
by T. Tertius Noble.

OUR THANKS to the many musicians enriching our worship this morning: the
members of the Alumni, Boys', Brass, Chancel, Girls', and Handbell Choirs; the
Westminster Choristers; and the Westminster Strings. Many thanks to Joanne Bendy
and Bob Adamcik, and to Marc Simpson for assisting the Brass Choir and Ildar
Khuziakhmetov and Dan Thompson for assisting the Westminster Strings. Very
special thanks to Eileen Rudd for accompanying on the organ and Margaret Harrison
on piano.

LUNCHEON DETAILS: Please join us for lunch. The food line will start in the
Schilling Gallery as you exit the Sanctuary and proceed to the fellowship hall where
we have four identical food table setups. Exit the Fellowship Hall through the double
doors to get to the tent in the courtyard. Desserts and beverages will be in the
breezeway. There is no charge for the lunch but we have a donation box at the food
table if you would like to contribute to the cost of the luncheon. A vegetarian option
of the pasta sauce is available in the kitchen where the chef will serve you after you
get your other items of food. The tables set up in the breezeway will be offered for
those who have wheelchairs and walkers.

SHOW and WAMS: Our next gathering will be Sunday, October 18 when we head
to The Cove to enjoy a cookout and fun in the park. Details will follow. I hope we see
you there!

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK our fantastic 50th Anniversary Committee for
planning and envisioning all our anniversary events and celebrations. Members of
that team are: Nancy Dean, Marty Marsh, Frank Marsh, Linda Yates, Renee
Wiesehuegel, John Johnson, Lisa Oros, Lisa Ellis, Mary Boyd, Angela Grobe, Peter
van Eenam, and Barbara Adamcik. Stay tuned... future celebration events include a
time capsule event, performances of specially commissioned music, an evensong
service, and an Anniversary Edition of the *Westminster Abbey!*

WESTMINSTER COMMEMORATIVE Christmas ornaments and glasses are being
sold in the Schilling Gallery today.

BLT: Bible/Lunch/Tuesday

We are looking at the wisdom literature in the Old Testament, continuing this week
with Proverbs, Chapters 10-21. The class is on Tuesdays from 12:00 to 1:00 in the
McKinnon Room. You are invited to bring a lunch and join us at any time.

WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER: Dinner is served at 5:45 each Wednesday,
followed by a presentation at 6:30. This week, our speaker will be international
peacemaker, Hendrik Shanazarian. Childcare is available.

MEN'S COVENANT BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP: On Thursday, October 8th at 7:30
a.m., the men of the church will gather in the McKinnon Room for our next meeting
and lesson. The lesson will be presented by Don Byerly and breakfast will be
provided courtesy of Bud Cunningham. No reservation is necessary and all men are
welcome. Please view the webpage at wpcknox.org/westminstermen for full details.

FISH DELIVERY is Thursday, October 8th. The number of families we can help is
limited by the number of delivery volunteers we have, and you are needed! If you
are able to help make deliveries, please contact Nancy Cundall.

TRY-OUTS FOR THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS DRAMA: will be Sunday,
October 18th at 12:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

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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

THE CANVAS PAINTING OF THE TREE in the Schilling Gallery has thumbprints
of our children, representing all of the children who have been baptized at WPC.

Matt Mathews Memorial Breakfast in the Smokies

At 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 17, 2015 we will have the 4th Annual Matt
Mathews Memorial Breakfast (8th WPC) at the Twin Creeks Pavilion in the Great
Smoky Mountains National Park. We will hold the event rain or shine. Please sign-up
in the Schilling Gallery noting whether you might need transportation or perhaps can
provide transportation.

Christian Stewardship: 50 Years of Living Generously

It's a jubilee year. We celebrate, and give thanks for, Westminster's first 50 years, and
we look ahead with much anticipation of how and where we will be led by God.
Stewardship season, especially, is forward-looking. It is about our hopes and visions,
and it is about our personal place in our church's future. Soon, you will receive at
home information regarding your stewardship opportunities. Hopefully, you will
review it and respond, having determined what you want your place to be.
Dedication Sunday is November 15, a date by which pledges are to be received, and
a day that we celebrate 50 years of living generously.

THE SESSION

Class of 2016

Jerry Faerber

Vicki Mayfield

Scott Porter

Elizabeth Ridley

Angela Shilling

Youth Elder: Ethan Partelow

Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley

John Smartt

Class of 2017

Phil Barnette

Bitsy Ingram

William Milam

Bryan Powell

Brenda Seip

TRUSTEES

Larry Ridley

Class of 2018

Leigh Dunlap

Steve Hoadley

J.P. Mackay

Linda Van Beke

Michael Yates

Paul Jordan