



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

November 8, 2015
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 Sonata No. 1, Movement II Felix Mendelssohn

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 98

Leader: O sing to the LORD a new song, for God has done wonderful things. Let the world and everything in it sing together for joy at the presence of the LORD.

People: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 464** (blue hymnal) Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn to Joy

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, we confess to you the poverty of our spirits. We convince ourselves that we do not have enough; enough time, enough recognition, enough stuff. All the while, we fail to see the emptiness of others. In a world that cries out daily for justice and hope, we empty ourselves in confession, so that you would fill us with your abundant grace and the unconditional love of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

***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 Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Jean Bonnyman

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

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 12:38-44

SERMON Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

“When you got nothing, you got nothing to lose”

“Like a Rolling Stone” – Bob Dylan

***HYMN NO. 428** (blue hymnal) We Give Thee but Thine Own Schumann

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) from *A Declaration of Faith*, PC(USA)

God made us to care for other created things. God made human beings along with all the other creatures and charged them to care for the earth and all that lives on it.

We acknowledge we share in the interdependence that binds together all God’s creation. Yet God gives us power to rule and tame, to order and reshape the world. We hold the earth in trust for future generations of living things. The Lord forbids us to plunder, foul, and destroy the earth. The Lord expects us to produce, to consume, to reproduce in ways that make the earth’s goodness available to all people and reflect God’s love for all creatures. The Lord bids us use our technical skills for beauty, order, health, and peace.

God made us for life in community. God created human beings with a need for community and with freedom to enter into it by responding to their Maker with grateful obedience and to one another with love and helpfulness.

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

(9:00) Sonata (from *Die Bänkelsängerlieder*) Anonymous
 Brass Choir

(11:00) If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may bide with you for ever, e’en the spirit of truth.

John 14:15-17

Lasst uns erfreuen

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology

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**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 360** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Hope of the World *Donne secours*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (9:00)

Hymn No. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen Danish melody

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** (11:00) Be Thou with Me Johann W. Franck
 arr. M. J. Luvaas

Be Thou with me through darkened night, That I may see the day illumined so bright, Oh, thank Thee for the hope we have in Thee. Take Thou my hand Near Thee to stand. All they rejoice who lay their trust in Thee, Our Savior, for ever Thine to be. Songs of triumph praise Thy name above all earthly joy proclaim! Enlighten mine eyes To see the way: Be Thou with me, Oh Father most high.

Agnes P. Olsen

***POSTLUDE**

(9:00) Gaillard Johann Hermann Schein

Brass Choir

(11:00) Ricercare Floriano Arrestiti

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Vicki Mayfield and William Milam
CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR NOVEMBER: Shirley Wittman and Lucy Johnson

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 (11:00): Bill and Renee Wiesehuegel

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Molly Roberson and Sophie Manrod

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

- (9:00) Brass Choir
- (11:00) Chancel Choir

SENIOR USHER: Bill Wiesehuegel

USHERS:

- (9:00) Rob McKeehan and John Styron
- (11:00) Irene Seidner, Brenda Seip, John and Kathy Shilling, Joanne White

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 Hatmaker family to the glory of God and in honor of the clergy, staff and Christian educators at WPC.

THOMAS TALLIS (c. 1505-1585), the highly esteemed English composer of the late Renaissance, was a gentleman of the Chapel Royal from around 1545 until his death, and organist of the Chapel with William Byrd. This morning’s motet is beautifully and skillfully crafted, balancing homophonic (chordal) passages with polyphony (including imitation between voice parts and counterpoint).

OUR THANKS to Ron Kauffmann for passing along this morning’s postlude to Peter Van Eenam and the Brass Choir.

SHOW AND WAMS meet at WPC this evening from 5:00-7:00. Our friends from St. George Greek Orthodox Church will be here to teach us how to do the Greek dances we see at Greekfest and to demonstrate some of what they do in competitions with other Greek churches. We will also discuss how our church traditions are the same and different.

BLT: Bible/Lunch/Tuesday

This week we will study Song of Songs. On November 17th, we’ll discuss Lamentations, followed by a break until January 12, 2016. The class meets 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.

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is Tuesday, November 10th at 7:00 p.m. The Stewardship, Finance, and Congregational Care teams will provide our refreshments.

WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER: Dinner is served at 5:45 each Wednesday, followed by a presentation at 6:30. This week, Kristi Gordon will present “Relationship Rx.”

MEN'S COVENANT BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP: On Thursday, November 12th at 7:30 a.m., the men of the church will gather in the McKinnon Room for our next meeting and lesson. The lesson, entitled 'Sizing Up The Market/How I Trade It', will be presented by Phil Barnette. Breakfast will be provided courtesy of Tom Byerley. No reservation is necessary and all men are welcome. Please view the webpage at wpcknox.org/westminstermen for full details. Thanks and have a great day.

FISH DELIVERY is Thursday, November 12th. 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.

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: This year’s Alternative Christmas Bazaar is Sunday, December 6th. You’ll have the opportunity to purchase meaningful gifts that benefit others. Please contact Angela Partelow if you would like a table for your charitable cause.

SCHILLING GALLERY EXHIBIT: Be sure to stop by the Schilling Gallery to view an incredible private collection of nativities from around the world. It is a privilege and honor to have such a fine collection at our church. What better way to announce the coming of the Advent season and the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

LADIES’ LUNCH BUNCH: The Lunch Bunch will meet at P. F. Chang’s on Thursday, November 19th at 11:30 a.m. P. F. Chang’s is located at 6741 Kingston Pike, which is the intersection of Paper Mill Road and Kingston Pike across the street from the new Whole Foods store. Please let Barbara Cline know if you can be there by November 17th.

Good Golly Holly-Jolly Jewelry Day 2015
Saturday, November 21 – 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Have we got a great day of "fashionable fun" and fellowship planned for everyone who might be interested! Once again, Angela Shilling has agreed to teach us another fun (fool-proof!) technique in jewelry making that will allow us all (no matter our level of experience) to make a *work d’art* in one easy lesson!

Our project this year will be Custom Image Pendants. We will use a stained glass soldering technique to sandwich custom images (1" x 1.5") between thin glass. You can make your own design, use a small 1x1.5 photo, or use fun images we have available for you. You can make a double (front and back) image or single image with a metal hammered back (with a name, quote, or pattern you stamp into the metal.) You can try your hand at soldering your piece or have one of us do it for you. As always, our point is to have fun and enjoy creating together.

If all this weren't cool enough... We're holding our class at Good Golly Tamale, 112 S. Central Ave. (in the Old City across the street from Old City Java.) The cost for the class is \$15, which includes a Good Golly Tamale lunch!

Call or email Barbara Adamcik to reserve your place by November 18th.

LECONTE 2016: Now is the time to register for hiking spaces to LeConte! We will be hiking on July 23, 2016. To reserve your spot, please send in a deposit of \$50 per hiker. The \$90 balance will be due prior to the hike.

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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

Adult Education Opportunities

Welcome to Westminster McKinnon Room
 This class is designed for those who want to know more about Westminster Presbyterian Church. The class is led by Rev. Buran Phillips, Barbara Adamcik, and Mary Boyd and is open to any who are interested in joining the congregation or just want a refresher course in what we’re all about.

Topics Fellowship Hall
 Meaningful Life, Meaningful Death: Reflecting on our Choices

- November 8 - Dr. Charlie Mercer and Annette Mendola, PhD discuss end of life care.
- November 15 - Linda Judge McRae, MDiv., RN, CHPN will speak about the spiritual/Biblical aspects of death and dying.
- November 22 - Dr. Charlie Mercer and Annette Mendola, PhD return to provide ideas for talking with loved ones about difficult choices.

Bible Study Library
 This thoughtful group works its way through the scriptures, looking deeply at Bible passages, and discussing them with questions and lots of humor. No experience is necessary to join this class, led by Scott Brunger and Leslie Versen.

Table Talk Prayer Room
 “Embracing Forgiveness” – a video/discussion series by Barbara Cawthorn Crafton. The series helps us discover what forgiveness is...and what it isn’t. Amanda Collins and William Milam facilitate this class.

Coffee House
Our Coffee House meets in the Schilling Gallery each week. There will be coffee and a few pastries for you as you join other folks in casual conversation.

THE SESSION		
Class of 2016	Class of 2017	Class of 2018
Jerry Faerber	Phil Barnette	Leigh Dunlap
Vicki Mayfield	Bitsy Ingram	Steve Hoadley
Scott Porter	William Milam	J.P. Mackay
Elizabeth Ridley	Bryan Powell	Linda Van Beke
Angela Shilling	Brenda Seip	Michael Yates
Youth Elder: Ethan Partelow		
Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley		
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