



*“Where Faith and Life Connect”*

**The Order of Worship**

**February 7, 2016  
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

**TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY**

**THE CHURCH GATHERS . . .**

*Holy God, in the stillness of this sanctuary and the quiet of this set-aside time, we turn to you... As a community, but also on our own... Each of us, reaching for you... Call to us by name, O Lord. Whisper to us. Shout to us. Grab our attention, so that we might turn to you, and listen clearly for what you desire for us to hear...in this time of worship. Amen.*

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

**PRELUDE** From *Pavans, Galliards, Almains and Other Short Airs* Anthony Holborne  
Honie-Suckle  
Night Watch (11:00)

Brass Choir

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Maggie Gordon, liturgist (11:00)

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God’s presence with singing!

**People: For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

**People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 457** (blue hymnal) I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art *Toulon*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, we ask your forgiveness for the many ways that we fail to be your people. Our failure more often than not shows itself in the good we neglect rather than the wrongs we commit. We neglect our spiritual nurture and wonder where you are. We neglect the suffering around us and wonder why you don’t care. We neglect to open ourselves to your transforming love and wonder what is to become of us. Forgive our neglect and our inattention to the ways of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we find forgiveness, renewed joy, and the courage to live as your people in the world. 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** Gloria Patri No. 576 (blue hymnal) Jacques Berthier

**TO EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD AND RESPOND ...**

**SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 130

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

*Children age 4 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children’s Worship.*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Exodus 1:8-14,21-22,2:1-10

**SERMON** Rev. Dr. Anna Carter Florence

*“The Girls in the Reeds”*

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

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) adapted, Romans 12:9-21

**Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink. Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.**

**THE OFFERING**

*Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle.*

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

(9:00) Night Watch Anthony Holborne

(11:00) O Gracious Light Russell Schulz-Widmar

O gracious Light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed! Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life, and to be glorified through all the worlds.

*from The Book of Common Prayer, 1979*

**\*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**

**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) (11:00) 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) (11:00) 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** Pange lingua (Tantum ergo) Marcel Dupré

*Sing, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling (At the Altar Humbly Bending)*

*(from Eight Short Preludes on Gregorian Themes)*

**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**

Hymn No. 535 (blue hymnal) Go with Us, Lord Tallis’ Canon

*(Sing in canon, with the pulpit side of the congregation beginning)*

**\*POSTLUDE** Canzona Domenico Zipoli

\*Indicates standing.

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Elizabeth Ridley and Michael Yates

**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR THIS WEEK:** Linda Rutherford

**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES** are available from ushers.

**SERVING TODAY**

**ACOLYTES** (11:00): Eric Partelow and Lucy Gordon

**GREETERS** (11:00): Buz and Lucy Johnson

**CHILDREN’S WORSHIP:**

(9:00) Childcare through age 5  
(11:00) Mike and Christie Wilson, Clara Oakes and Emma Adamcik

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:**

(9:00) Brass Choir  
(11:00) Brass and Chancel Choirs

**SENIOR USHER:** Christie Dowling

**USHERS:**

(9:00) Doug and Bonny Naugher  
(11:00) Andrew and Kristi Gordon, Gordon and Robin Greeson,  
Susan Baughman

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Rick and Kathryn Oakes in celebration of Clara’s 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, 2 months from today.

**TWO-CENTS-A-MEAL** collection is today. We bring this offering each “First Sunday,” as our share in maintaining the Volunteer Ministry Center of Knoxville. The average monthly cost to serve breakfast and lunch is \$275. Your support is greatly appreciated!

**NAME TAG SUNDAY** is today. Please fill out a name tag in the Narthex.

**REV. DR. ANNA CARTER FLORENCE** is the Peter Marshall Associate Professor of Preaching at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. She is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and holds degrees from Yale College and Princeton Theological Seminary (M.Div. and Ph.D.). Her books include *Preaching as Testimony* and *Inscribing the Word*, as well as two forthcoming books: ‘*A*’ is for *Alabaster: A Preacher’s Alphabet*, and *Come Back When You’ve Found Something True: New Ways to Read Scripture*, based on her 2012 Lyman Beecher Lectures on Preaching at Yale Divinity School. She is a frequent teacher and lecturer in this country and abroad. Anna and her husband, the Rev. David Carter Florence, have two grown sons, two dogs, two cats, a flock of chickens, and way too much knitting yarn.

**RUSSELL SCHULZ-WIDMAR**, Associate Professor of Church Music and Organist and Choirmaster at The Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas, since 1974, is Director of Music at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Austin and a past President of The Hymn Society. In this morning’s anthem he sets this lovely evening text in a modern French style with an undulating string celeste accompaniment in the organ supporting warm, fluid vocal lines above.

**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED** to hear rising young American organist Christopher Houlihan in recital at Westminster Church **this Friday evening, February 12, at 8:00.** Artist-in-Residence at Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, Mr. Houlihan is in great demand, consistently astounding his audiences. This is the first program in this season’s *Musica Organi* recital series and we would love for you to join us. Featured will be works of J. S. Bach, Brahms, Guilman, Sowerby, and Louis Vierne. You’ll not want to miss the recital or the “organ cookies” at the reception following! A nursery will be provided.

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** has been called by Session for Sunday, February 14 at the conclusion of the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the terms of call for Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips and to elect three at-large members from the congregation for the 2016 Nominating Committee. Vicki Mayfield is the 2016 Nominating Committee chair. William Milam is the vice-chair.

**KIDS’ CLUB** (children ages K-4th grade) will meet in the McKinnon Room today following the 11:00 worship service. We’ll have lunch and decorate Valentine cookies for Westmoreland Health and Rehab Center.

**YOUTH NEWS**

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING IS TODAY!** This year, we are collecting funds for a super-sized Stop Hunger Now event. We’re trying to raise enough funds to make 30,000+ meals to feed 183,270 hungry children and adults. A \$5 donation will feed 100 people. Thank you for your support!

**WAMS** celebrates the Super Bowl today with our Super-Bowling party. We’ll meet at Family Bowl, 213 Hayfield Road at 3:00. Bring \$10 for two games, shoes and a snack. Parents are invited and welcome to join the fun!

**SHOW:** The Rowcliffe family is hosting our super-fun Super Bowl party! We will play Super Bowl Commercial Bingo, Guess-the-Score games, and Name that Halftime Tune! Meet us at 5:30 p.m.

**MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT** is Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. The Christian Formation ministry team will provide our refreshments.

**ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**February 10 - 7:00 p.m.**  
You are invited to join us in the Sanctuary on Wednesday evening, February 10<sup>th</sup> as we begin our journey toward Easter. The season of Lent continues for 40 days, not counting Sundays, and prepares us for the celebration of the resurrection of Christ.

**MEN’S COVENANT BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP:** On Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, the men of Westminster will gather in the McKinnon Room for our third meeting and lesson of 2016. The lesson entitled 'Leadership: Styles, Principles and Qualities' will be presented by Tim Crais. Breakfast will be provided courtesy of Phil Claxton. No reservation is necessary and all men are welcome. Bring a friend. Please view the webpage at [wpcknox.org/westminstermen](http://wpcknox.org/westminstermen) for full details and access to a copy of the lesson. Thanks and have a great day.

**FISH DELIVERY** is Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**Progressive Dinner**  
**Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.**

Sign-ups are on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery. Our RSVP deadline is February 28<sup>th</sup>. When you sign up, please commit to bring an appetizer or to make a donation to the “Social Hour Fund” to offset the cost of the beverages. Please also note if you can host a group for the dinner portion of the evening, and if you need a gluten free meal. The cost for the evening is \$12 per person, payable March 5<sup>th</sup>. There is no cost for our dinner hosts. Free childcare is available in our nursery from 5:45-9:15 p.m. Note any childcare needs on the sign-up sheet so Angela can schedule enough babysitters.

**UPCOMING NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP MEETINGS:**

- The Bluegrass group will meet at Bryan and Rachel Powell’s home on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.
- The Sequoyah/Westmoreland group will gather for appetizers and dessert on Friday, March 11, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the home of Jay and Debbie Schmid.

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**Adult Education Opportunities**

**Faith and Life** Fellowship Hall  
Larry Ridley leads a study based on Brené Brown’s bestselling book, *The Gifts of Imperfection*, as we seek to let go of who we think we’re supposed to be and embrace who we are.

**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  
Please join us today for Session 4 of “The Faith of a Mockingbird”. This four-session series explores spiritual truths found in *To Kill a Mockingbird* by focusing on a different character each week. You do not have to have read the book or have seen the movie recently (or at all) to participate - just come as you are!

**Coffee House**  
Can’t make it to class on time? Do you really just want a chance to chat? Our Coffee House meets in the Schilling Gallery each week. There is always coffee and a few pastries ready for you as you join other folks in casual conversation.

**THE SESSION**

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