



The Order of Worship

March 27, 2016
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY

THE CHURCH GATHERS . . .

The resurrection is God's way of revealing to us that nothing that belongs to God will ever go to waste. What belongs to God will never get lost. The resurrection doesn't answer any of our common questions about life after death such as: "How will it be? How will it look?" But it does reveal to us that love is stronger than death. God's love for us, our love for each other, and our love for those who lived before and will live after us is not just a quickly passing experience, but a reality transcending all time and space.
—Our Greatest Gift, Father Henri Nowen

PRELUDE Sonata No. 1 Johann Georg Christian Störl
Brass Choir

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT This Joyful Eastertide Dutch carol
arr. Charles Wood

This joyful Eastertide, Away with sin and sorrow! My Love, the Crucified,
Hath sprung to life this morrow. Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst
his three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest, And for a season slumber: Till trump from east to
west Shall wake the dead in number. (Refrain)

Death's flood hath lost his chill, Since Jesus cross'd the river: Lover of souls,
from ill My passing soul deliver. (Refrain)

G. R. Woodward

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sisters and brothers, the wonder of this day draws us together.

People: Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!

Leader: Celebrate the triumph of goodness and new life.

People: Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!

Leader: Rejoice in the power of transforming hope and love that never dies.

People: Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 123** (blue hymnal) Jesus Christ Is Risen Today *Easter Hymn*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, we confess that we are often captive to our doubts and fears.
We fear death as the ending of life. We fear death as the letting go of old ways,
old relationships, old self-understandings. We also confess our fear of life. We
fear that which is different, we fear change that comes too fast and a future
that seems too uncertain. Most of all, we fear what we become when we fear,
for we fail to live joyfully in freedom as your children, we overlook those you
would have us serve, and we neglect to be fully present to your holy presence.
Forgive us and raise us to new life in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

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 Isaiah 65:17-25

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Ellen Anderson
*Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in
Children's Worship.*

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 24:1-12; Romans 8:35-39

SERMON Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

"All shall be well. And all shall be well.
And all manner of things shall be well."

Julian of Norwich (1342-1416)

***HYMN NO. 119** (blue hymnal) The Strife Is O'er *Victory*

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

**In the death of Jesus Christ, God's way in the world seemed finally defeated.
But death was no match for God. The resurrection of Jesus was God's victory
over death. Death often seems to prove that life is not worth living, that our
best efforts and deepest affections go for nothing. We do not yet see the end
of death. But Christ has been raised from the dead, transformed and yet the
same person. In his resurrection is the promise of ours. We are convinced that
the life God wills for each of us is stronger than the death that destroys us.
The glory of that life exceeds our imagination, but we know we shall be with
Christ. So we treat death as a broken power. Its ultimate defeat is certain. In
the face of death we grieve. Yet in hope we celebrate life. No life ends so
tragically that its meaning and value are destroyed. Nothing, not even death,
can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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 Most Glorious Lord of Life William H. Harris

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day Didst make Thy triumph over
death and sin, And having harrowed hell, didst bring away Captivity thence
captive, us to win.

This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, And grant that we for whom
Thou diddest die, Being with Thy dear blood clean washed from sin, May
live for ever in felicity:

And that Thy love we weighing worthily, May likewise love Thee for the
same again; And for Thy sake, that all like dear didst buy, With love may
one another entertain.

So let us love, dear love, like as we ought; Love is the lesson which the Lord
us taught.

Edmund Spenser

***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 ...

***HYMN NO. 104** (blue hymnal) Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! *Hymn to Joy*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Hail Thee, Festival Day! *Salve festa dies*

***POSTLUDE** Toccata (from *Symphony No. 5*) Charles-Marie Widor

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Bitsy Ingram and Jerry Faerber

CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR MARCH 16-31: Lana Daverman and Susan
McKeehan

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): Kara and Macy Porter

GREETERS (11:00): Gary and Sandra Rowcliffe

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Childcare through age 5

(11:00) Nursery Staff

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Chancel Choir

SENIOR USHER: Buz Johnson

USHERS:

(9:00) Doug and Bonny Naugher, Leslie Versen, Genet Weber

(11:00) Tom and Georgann Byerley, Emily and Wiley Wright, Sue Caradine

THIS MORNING’S PRELUDE was last played for worship on the occasion of Dr. Friedrich “Fritz” Schilling’s installation at Westminster Church on September 22, 1985.

THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING is being collected today. A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God’s love with our neighbors in need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, providing food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

THE EVENING WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY CLASS meets Monday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the SHOW room.

CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER: We are excited to offer a Wednesday evening program for six weeks, Care for the Caregiver, beginning April 6. The course is patterned on the Rosalyn Carter Institute for Caregiving program Caring for You, Caring for Me. Led by master trainers and area professionals, the course is targeted at unpaid caregivers, but will also be helpful to caregivers, pastoral care providers, caregiving professionals, and care receivers. We will meet each Wednesday evening from 6:00 until 7:30. We suggest you eat before you come, but feel free to bring a meal with you. For further information, please contact Mary Boyd at the church.

THE CARRY THE TORCH LUNCHEON hosted by the Volunteer Ministry Center is Wednesday, April 20th at 11:45 a.m. in the Knoxville Convention Center ballroom. Emmy Award-winning Anchor and Author John Quiñones will be the featured speaker. Westminster’s Mission Services Ministry Team has purchased two tables for the event, and seats are still available. Please contact the church office to request a ticket.

PLEASE TAKE TIME to enjoy the beautiful new painting exhibit in the Schilling Gallery. Artists Kate and Roy McCullough make painting a family affair, with Kate specializing in watercolor and Roy as an oil painter. Both studied art at SUNY Buffalo in New York. Kate has studied with many prominent watercolor artists and Roy has won awards in several shows in the local area.

Easter Flower Dedications

Given by:

Laura and Jack Barron. In honor of their family
Carol Beilharz, children and grandchildren. In loving memory of Clark
Jim and Mary Boyd. In honor of Renee Wiesehuegel and Sandra Williams
Marlene Browning. To the glory of God and the Resurrection

and the meaning of Easter

Vaughn Bush. In memory of Pat Bush
Sara Cantrell. In honor of Robert Cantrell, III
Britton, Brogan and Brielle Corley. In honor of Buz and Lucy Johnson

Anne E. Davidson. In honor of Jean L. Davidson
Donna Davis and Ivan Beltz. In memory of Bertram and Virginia Raskin,
Nancy M. Beltz, and George and Edna Beltz

Kaye Davis. In memory of Rev. Robert K. Davis
Christie Dowling. In memory of her father, John C. Struckmeyer
Anne Dungan. In memory of David and all the saints who have gone before

Carol, Scott, Jami and Olivia Faulkner. In memory of Kenneth L. Faulkner
Danielle, Jim and Aiden Hemsley; Hannah and Eva Mathews.

In honor of Cile and Ed Mathews for their everlasting love
and support over the past 24 years and their future as family together

Danielle, Hannah and Eva. In memory of Matt Mathews: thankful for
life beyond this world; you are always loved and never forgotten

Kathy and Sky Huck. In memory of Albert and Phyllis Clark,
Ted and Barbara Huck

Lee and Bitsy Ingram. In memory of Earl Richards
Buz and Lucy Johnson. In memory of their parents: John and Mary Watson

and Ewing and Bernice Johnson

Lisa and Mike Kaufman. In honor of their families, their children
and grandchildren

Anne and John Langley. In honor of their children and grandchildren:
Sarah, Patrick, Bryson, Mercer, Emily, Molly and Anna

Cile and Ed Mathews. In memory of Matt Mathews
Rob and Susan McKeenan. In honor of their children and grandchildren

The McRae Family: Norman, Linda and Caroline. In honor of Barbara Adamcik
and The WPC Sistahs

Ibbie and John Muntz. In memory of Laura Joy Muntz
The Powell and Almqvist families. In memory of Bob King and Richard Wood

Rick and Janice Rawe. In honor and gratitude for the entire staff of Westminster
Molly and Piper Roberson and family. In memory of Scott Roberson

Gary and Sandra Rowcliffe. In loving honor and celebration of their four
greatest gifts: Eliza, Claire, Caroline and Garrett

The Ryan and Bice families. In honor of Helen Ryan
Owen, Ian, Sarah and Grace Salsbery. In honor of Jim and Linda Yates

Aunt Julia Tortorelli. In honor of William Joseph Martin
Kathleen and Larry Tragesser. In honor of their children, Chloe and Lacey;

in memory of both of their parents

The Whipple Family. In memory of Kenneth Whipple
Bill and Renee Wiesehuegel. In memory of Natalie Wells Smith

and Shirley Jean Rechenbach

Shirley Wittman. In memory of John Wittman
Jim and Linda Yates. In honor of their grandchildren:

Owen, Ian, Sarah and Grace Salsbery; Max and Ellie Yates;

Jonah and Luke Yates; and Patrick and Ryan Toomey

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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

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 2 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.

SPRING WORKDAY AT WESTMINSTER

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

Saturday, April 9 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 do 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*).

Help us give WPC a good Spring cleaning.

THE SESSION

Class of 2016

Jerry Faerber

Vicki Mayfield

Scott Porter

Elizabeth Ridley

Angela Shilling

Youth Elder: Ethan Partelow

Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley

Class of 2017

Phil Barnette

Bitsy Ingram

William Milam

Bryan Powell

Brenda Seip

Class of 2018

Leigh Dunlap

Steve Hoadley

J.P. Mackay

Linda Van Beke

Michael Yates

TRUSTEES

John Smartt

Larry Ridley

Paul Jorden