



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

July 1, 2018

10:00 A.M.

SIXTH 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.

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

PRELUDE Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele (Bicinium) Georg Philipp Telemann
Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT Chester William Billings
from *The Singing Master’s Assistant*, Boston, c. 1770
harm. Peter Van Eenam

1. Let tyrants shake their iron rod, And Slav’ry clank her galling chains, We fear them not, we trust in God, New-england’s God for ever reigns.

5. What grateful Off’ring shall we bring? What shall we render to the Lord?
Loud Halleluiahs let us Sing, And praise his name on ev’ry Chord.

William Billings

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As we gather in the presence of the holy,

People: We find the Spirit.

Leader: Moving in our lives, bringing comfort and yet transforming,

People: The Spirit finds us.

Leader: Awed by the colors of sunrise and sunset,

People: We meet the Creator.

Leader: Seeing our fellow creatures and all that unites us,

People: The Creator meets us.

Leader: In the breaking of bread around a common table,

People: We meet the Redeemer.

Leader: In our work and service,

People: The Redeemer meets us.

Leader: Let us worship the Lord our God!

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)

Gracious God, we pause in this gathering to acknowledge our brokenness and how it affects the living of our lives. Forgive our lack of reverence for your good creation. Forgive the hurried pace of our lives that causes us to overlook the things that truly matter. Forgive us for not seeing you in the Other, and for clinging to those attitudes, and hurts, and things that you would have us let go. Guide us toward becoming more loving, more aware of your presence, and more like the one in whose name we pray, Jesus the 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 ...

APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT COMMISSIONING (*See insert*)

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 5:21-34

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Jean Bonnyman

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

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 5:35-42

SERMON “The Healing of Acceptance” Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

***HYMN NO. 366** (blue hymnal) Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me *St. Catherine*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)
adapted from Matthew 25:37-40, Leviticus 19:33-34

Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you

did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’

When an immigrant resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress the immigrant. The immigrant who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love the immigrant as yourself, for you were immigrants in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

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 Pange lingua Giovanni Grazioli

Sing, my tongue, the Savior’s glory Of His Flesh the myst’ry sing: Of the Blood, all price exceeding, Shed by our immortal King, Destined for the world’s redemption, From a noble womb to spring.

To the everlasting Father, To the Son who reigns on high, With the Holy Ghost proceeding Forth from each eternally, Be salvation, honor, blessing, Might, and endless majesty. Amen.

St. Thomas Aquinas

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 514 (red hymnal) *Old Hundredth*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ... The Lord’s Prayer

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE SACRAMENT

The congregation will be ushered to the Table, beginning with the first pews on either side of the aisle.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION Elms (from *Views from the Oldest House*) Ned Rorem

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Unison)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586** (blue hymnal) Amen

***POSTLUDE** Trumpet Tune and the Bell Symphony

Danish melody

Henry Purcell

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK JULY 1-7: James Everett and Amy Gilbert

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JULY: Cindy Spangler

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: Ibbie Muntz and Jan Gross

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Summer Choir

LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP: Carol Beilharz

SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Brad Pearman

SENIOR USHER: Jerry Carley

USHERS: Joyce and Tim Ryan, Mark Potocik, and Ashley and Scott Porter

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.

MUSIC OF AMERICAN COMPOSERS is included this morning. *Chester* dates from the years directly leading up to the American Revolution and was written by one of the Colonies’ first well-known composers. Ned Rorem’s *Views from the Oldest House*, written in 1981, was commissioned by the American Guild of Organists for its 1982 national convention. This collection of six pieces is inspired by and depicts various elements seen in the southwest vista from the Oldest House, situated on Nantucket’s Sunset Hill.

SUMMER CHOIR has returned this morning! The congregation is invited to come sit in with the choir this summer and enjoy the music and camaraderie! For those interested, there will be an important rehearsal following worship **today** for the music to be sung subsequent Sundays (there will be no Wednesday evening rehearsals again this year). We hope you’ll join us!

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Don and Connie Graham in honor of Marjo, Jennifer and Chris’s summer birthdays.

BIRTH CANDLE is lit today in celebration of Tennessee Louise Brunger born June 19, the granddaughter of Scott and Ann Brunger and daughter of Joel and Susannah Brunger in Hilo, HI.

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.



APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT: Today our team leaves but it’s not too late for monetary donations to put toward items above what ASP provides for the families (household appliances, clothing, books, doors, a few toys, etc.) Last trip, they were able to purchase a water heater, shower, toilet, a new door, landscaping plants, patio chairs, and plumbing service with funds you contributed! You can also “like” Appalachia Service Project - Knott, KY on Facebook to get all the latest updates.

2018 Team

Ruth Ann Bendy, Finn Burgin, Noah Burgin, Maggie Gordon, James Hutzenbiler, Sophie Manrod, Caroline McRae, Eric Partelow, Katie Rogers, Garrett Rowcliffe, Brooke Sudlow, Mac Whipple, and Rhys Whipple
Barbara Adamcik, Bart Carey, Eric Drumm, Joe Hutzenbiler, Angela Partelow, Ryan Rotella, Joyce Ryan, Tim Ryan, Carl Whipple, Julia Whipple, and Renee Wiesehuegel

THE BIBLE STUDY CLASS meets after worship in the Library to study Maccabees. The Maccabees’ struggle is the source of the story of Hannukah. Scott Brunger and Phil Barnette will lead the class.

MOTHER’S MORNING OUT will resume Wednesday, July 11th from 9:00-11:30 AM. We’ll have crafts, stories, snacks, and more. Email Allie at allie_wpc@comcast.net if you’re interested!

HELP STOCK THE COMMUNITY CHEST: The monthly collection drive at Episcopal Church of the Ascension is July 7, 10:00-11:30 AM. They are looking for men, women and children’s clothing as well as household items.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed Wednesday, July 4 for the holiday!

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Mary Boyd, Education Coordinator

Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Melissa Everett, Administrative Assistant

Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

SHARE THE BOUNTY TABLE is back in the Schilling Gallery for the summer and is starting to provide produce, mainly gorgeous greens at this point. Later, you will be seeing beets, tomatoes, peppers, and eggplant. You are more than welcome to help yourself to what is provided on the table. If you have a bit too much of something from your garden, bring it in to share. You may find here flowers and herbs, as well as vegetables. It changes every week, so take a look and take some home. There is also a donation basket with any contributions this year going to our Presbytery’s Carbon Footprint Fund. Also, take a walk around our organic veggie garden located behind the sanctuary – it’s amazing what good things can come from a small space.

The Environmental Ministry Team

BIG SUMMER



“**BIG SUMMER**” activities are today after Time with Children. All school aged kids are welcome to join us for larger than life activities in the Fellowship Hall. We’re keeping the events a surprise to build some suspense, but think of some traditional fun- upsized!

THE SESSION

Class of 2019

Debbie Babelay

Daniel Collins

Vicki Mayfield

Cindy Pearman

Jay Schmid

Youth Elder: Maggie Gordon

Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley

Class of 2020

Scott Brunger

James Everett

Andrew Gordon

Susan McKeehan

Shawn Owens

Class of 2021

Brian Bonnyman

Anne Crais

Amy Gilbert

Buz Johnson

Rachel Powell

TRUSTEES

Alice Mercer

Reed Ellis

Wes Williams



Commissioning

Leader: You have been called to serve with Appalachia Service Project. Hear these words from the book of Isaiah:

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!' - Isaiah 6:8
Will you respond to God's call and accept this commission and live it to the best of your abilities? If so, please answer "Here am I. Send me."

Service Team Members: Here am I. Send me.

Leader: Will you seek to understand your unique place in God's family, trusting that you are each an important member of the Body of Christ with special gifts and abilities? If so, please answer "Here am I. Send me."

Service Team Members: Here am I. Send me.

Leader: As you travel, will you live in the promise of the Good News and share the love of Christ in words and action? Will you do your best to live out God's love for our Appalachian neighbors? If so, please answer "Here am I. Send me."

Service Team Members: Here am I. Send me.

Leader: As you travel, as you study, as you serve, as you learn, may God bless you with the Holy Spirit's presence and inspiration to do these things. Amen.

Invite the congregation to rise.

Westminster family, will you support these sisters and brothers whom God has called to a ministry of service, learning, and growth? Will you pray for them, encourage them, and send them as ambassadors of Christ and representatives of this congregation? If so, please answer "We will."

Congregation: We will.

Leader: Let us pray. Gracious God, you have extended your call to these people to follow you into an exciting adventure. We pray for safety as they travel, enthusiasm as they grow, courage as they try new things and overcome fears, and excitement as they learn more about you and themselves. Strengthen these people with your Spirit and bless them, that they will know your love and grace and share those gifts with everyone they meet. We pray these things in the name of Jesus, our Savior and Lord,

All: Amen.